

TRAVELLING DELUXE WITH A TICO FRIEND

10 DAYS/9 NIGHTS

Highlights: Tortuguero, Arenal, Monteverde, Manuel Antonio

DAY 1 ARRIVAL TO COSTA RICA

When arriving at the Juan Santamaría International Airport, our representatives will be waiting for you, after you pass migration our porterage people will meet you and help you with the luggage and pass by customs, then when you are coming out of the airport you will find your "tico" friend properly uniformed and with a slate where it will be your written name. Our representative is in charge of give you the documents and to transfer you to your hotel in San Jose. Overnight at the Park Inn Hotel or similar. Meals included: none



DIA 2 TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK

Depart San Jose this morning traveling east to the shores of the scenic Caribbean coast. See the lush emerald-green vegetation along with acres of banana plantations, one of Costa major exports. At a nearby port, board a motor launch that takes you to the canals in the heart of the Costa Rican jungle with their unique flora and fauna. Perhaps you'll spot Toucans, Jacamars and even Screech Owls. Truly a nature lover's paradise! Arrive at the lodge in Tortuguero in time for lunch. After lunch, drive to the village for a walking tour. Here, we learn about the significant conservation efforts developed to protect sea turtles that come to nest here each year along the 22 miles of protected coastline. Once in the Lodge you will enjoy a delicious lunch, the adventure continues! Overnight at the Mawamba Lodge or similar. Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner



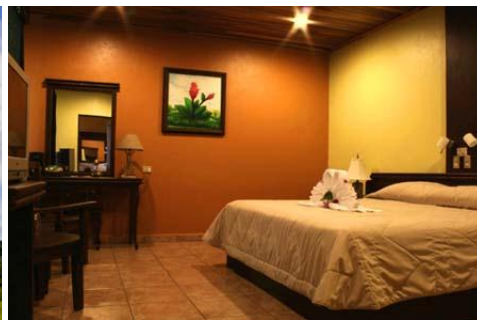
DIA 3 TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK

During your stay, we have prepared diverse tours to walk it by the small canals and to make long walks by the exuberant tropical forest of the area of the National park, in where the lovers of the nature will be able to observe not only the virgin forest, but also, many species of birds, mammals and reptiles. Most adventurous they cannot lose the opportunity to go on a trip by the Tortuguero Hill. All our boats, that they sail by the small canals, they are equipped with electrical motors so that you can enjoy the nature to the maximum. Overnight at the Mawamba Lodge or similar. Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner



DIA 4 ARENAL VOLCANO

After a delicious breakfast one will leave towards Matina in a trip of two hours by the canals you will take the van and drive to the Restaurant Danta River for the lunch and from there you will continue with your tico friend to your next destination the Arenal area. For tonight we included a great tour and dinner to the hot springs in Arenal. Overnight at the Volcano Lodge or similar. Meals included: breakfast, lunch and dinner.



DIA 5 MONTEVERDE CLOUD FOREST

After taking the delicious breakfast in the hotel, you will continue to its following destiny, Monteverde. The third settlers were nine Quakers families (it is the name of the religion of these people), that they left the United States due to the obligatory conscription in the days of peace. They came to Costa Rica looking for a place where they could live with much tranquility and peacefully. One of the factors that influenced in which the Quakers chose to Costa Rica as place to live were by the abolition of the army in 1948. Overnight at the Trapp Family Lodge or similar. Meals included: breakfast



DIA 6 MONTEVERDE CLOUD FOREST

Today you have the entire day to the different activities of Monteverde; you will have the opportunity to arrange with the hotel the visiting the hummingbird gallery, the serpentarium, the canopy and a lot of amazing things. Overnight at the Trapp Family Lodge or similar. Meals included: breakfast.



DAY 7 Manuel Antonio National Park

After make the check out, you will have a four hours driving time to the Manuel Antonio National Park. Established in 1972 with a land area enumerating 1 983 ha (the smallest of any Costa Rican national park), it is the destination of as many as 150,000 visitors annually and well known for its beautiful beaches and hiking trails. In 2011, Manuel Antonio was listed by Forbes among the world's 12 most beautiful national parks. Everything is there for your comfortable and pleasant stay. Overnight at the Parador Hotel or similar. Meals included: breakfast included



DAY 8 MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK

At leisure at the Manuel Antonio area for a variety of activities. Overnight at the Espadilla Hotel or similar. Meals included: breakfast included



DAY 09 RETURN TO SAN JOSE

After the check out, we recommend you to leave after breakfast for the approximately 4 hours driving time back to San Jose. Overnight at the Park Inn or similar. Meals included: breakfast included

DAY 10 FLIGHT BACK HOME

Three hours and half before the departure of its international flight one of our representatives will be waiting for you at the lobby of your hotel to take you to the International Airport Juan Santamaría.

This package includes:

- VIP service at the International Airport
- Private transportation from the International Airport to the hotel in San Jose
- 1 night lodging in San José at the Park Inn Hotel, breakfast included
- 2 nights at Tortuguero at the Mawamba Lodge which includes 3 breakfasts, 3 lunches and 2 dinners per person, local tours, entrance fees to the National Park
- Private transportation from Guápiles to Arenal
- 1 night at the Volcano Lodge or similar in the Arenal area, breakfast included
- Tour to the Ecotermales Hot Springs with dinner
- Boat and bus transportation from Arenal to Monteverde
- 2 nights at the Trapp Family Lodge or similar, breakfast included
- Private transportation from Monteverde to Manuel Antonio
- 2 nights lodging at the Parador Hotel or similar, breakfast included
- Private transportation from Manuel Antonio back to San Jose
- 1 night at the Park Inn Hotel, breakfast included
- Private transportation from the hotel to the International Airport

Departure Dates 2014

Regular tour Departing every day of the year with a minimum of 2 passengers

Rates

Rate per person in single occupancy: \$1,990.00 usd

Rate per person in double occupancy: \$1,443.00 usd

Rate per person in triple occupancy: \$1,284.00 usd (sharing the same room)

Important Notes:

- A valid passport is mandatory to enter Costa Rica.
- Depending on your country of origin you may enter Costa Rica without a visa. USA, Canada and most European countries have this privilege.
- All visitors must have an entry and exit ticket, whether it is by air or by land, as the case may be, as a requirement to enter the country.
- The water is potable in most of the country. We recommend using bottled water, especially in areas around the coast.
- The Costa Rican currency is called Colon. US dollars and major credit cards are widely accepted.
- All major credit cards are widely accepted. You will find ATM machines distributed throughout the country.
- Starting on July 30, 2007, the Costa Rican authorities will demand that all travelers coming from the following countries (Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Gambia, Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Bolivia, Venezuela, Brazil, Peru, Colombia and Ecuador as well as the Republic of Guyana) have a yellow fever vaccination certificate.
- Outlets are 110 V, with standard US two prong plugs.
- Departure tax is US\$29.00, can be paid in US Dollars, colones or with a credit card.
- In case you want to use a cell phone in Costa Rica, you have to bring an UNLOCKED cell phone, and buy a SIM prepaid card at the ICE (the national telecommunications company) booth in the baggage section of the airport (or in a telephone company office in any city around the country). The unlocked cell phone must be a quad-band GSM or

3G handset or at least have an 850 or 1800 MHz band. Most US phones use 950 MHz. Motorola and Sony Ericsson are brands that have models with the right bands. At the airport ICE booth, you can ask for the different SIM prepaid cards they offer and it will be inserted in your handset. Some of them will include internet access.