



# Flavors of Costa Rica

14 Nights

April – October 2018



## Summary

Experience the thrills of the rainforest and soak in hot springs beneath Volcano Arenal on this classic Costa Rican holiday. You'll zip line through a treetop canopy and then relax at Tamarindo, Costa Rica's a great beach retreat. At Tortuguero there are three different species of turtles to spy on as they nest and a wealth of wildlife and biodiversity throughout the country. A highlight your tailor made Costa Rica tour is a trip to eco-lover's paradise of Monteverde, a reserve nestled between two of the world's most important cloud forests. Welcome to an adventure in classic Costa Rica.

## Wild Discovery Advantages

- A proven expertise in organizing successful holidays
- Experienced and knowledgeable staff
- High quality service & strong commitment to customer satisfaction
- Permanent assistance from Wild Discovery Head Office at any moment
- Attention to details that make the difference

## Overview

**Dates:** April – October 2018

**Interest:** couples, family, group

**Level of Comfort:** 4/5

**Minimum # of passengers:** 2

**Maximum # of passengers:** none

## Information about the destination

- **Currency:** US dollar
- **Language:** Spanish - English
- **Transportation:** private car or bus
- **Dialing Code:** 593
- **Recommended vaccines:** Malaria risk exists throughout the year, Yellow Fever, Rabies Hepatitis A and Hepatitis A
- **Banks & currency exchange:** many banks in the airport will exchange currencies, all rates are similar

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**Day 1: San Jose**

Your tailor made Costa Rica tour starts with a flight to San Jose. Located in Costa Rica's Central Valley, this is a great hub from which to explore all the country has to offer. Here you'll find excellent museums, a wonderful Botanical Garden and lots of delightful coffee shops to relax in. Whether it's history you crave or a thumping nightlife you'll find it all here in San Jose.

**Days 2,3: San Jose - Tortuguero**

See nature in its most raw and beautiful state with a trip to secluded Tortuguero. Only accessible by boat or plane, Tortuguero means the place of the turtles. Green Sea, Leatherback and Hawksbill turtles come here to nest and breed, and you'll be lucky enough observe this amazing spectacle. There's wildlife in abundance at Tortuguero: traverse its shady freshwater creeks and lagoons on the hunt for more.

**Day 4: Tortuguero - Arenal**

It's time to board a boat headed for Guapiles, from where you'll be driven to Arenal. On the way, stop off for a private visit to Frog's Heaven, a tropical garden home to over 20 species of exotic amphibians. In the evening you'll check into the bubbling environs of Tabacon Hot Springs Resort.

**Day 5: Arenal**

You'll see panoramic views of the rainforest on an impressive Sky Walk. Stroll along a series of suspension bridges among the treetops experiencing the sights and sounds of the jungle canopy. In the afternoon, shake the jungle from your hair, pull on your hiking boots and embark on a gentle 2.5 hour hike along the base of the Arenal Volcano.

**Day 6: Arenal**

Adrenaline hunters will love today's half-day rafting lesson in the white waters gushing past the foot of Arenal Volcano. It's an equally enchanting experience for wildlife lovers too: monkey, sloth and tropical birds such as osprey, oropendola and toucan can be spotted as you drift through the dense forests lining the volcano. Ease yourself into a hot tub or enjoy a relaxing spa treatment at Tabacon in the evening after an invigorating day of exploring.

**Day 7: Arenal - Monteverde**

Monteverde is the holy grail for eco tourists. This misty reserve nestles between two of the world's most important cloud forests. The blanket of clouds provides a steady supply of moisture that creates verdant foliage, abundant flora and a perfect home for wildlife. You'll start with a sailing trip across Lake Arenal as butterflies gracefully emerge from the surrounding forest. An afternoon's hike will bring you into the heart of nature at its succulent best.

**Day 8: Monteverde**

Steady rainfall, rich volcanic soil and moderate temperatures have long made Costa Rica fertile land for the sugar cane and coffee bean industries. During today's private Sugar Mill Typical Tour you can enjoy a short walk through a family-run farm to catch a glimpse of the various plantations. You'll witness the entire process of coffee making, ride a Costa Rican ox cart and observe the process of making liquor out of sugar cane.

**Day 9: Monteverde - Rio Perdido**

For the next two days Guanacaste's vast network of hot water and mineral springs will wash the jungle off you. A private transfer to Rio Perdido delivers you to a hotel marooned in a 600 acre reserve of rare dwarf forest and rocky canyon lands. In the distance the imposing Miravalles Volcano provides a dramatic backdrop.

**Day 10: Rio Perdido**

Enjoy an exhilarating white water tubing experience and experience the majesty of the canyon from the precarious wobble of a rubber inner tube. Or you can test your mettle on Rio Perdido's Canyon Adventure. This challenging aerial circuit through the jungle will have you swinging like Tarzan 50ft through the canopy.

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#### Day 11, 14: Tamarindo

Today you'll say goodbye to the swarthy jungle-clad hills and misty volcano peaks and head to Tamarindo, one of the most popular beach destinations in Costa Rica. There's friendly locals, a buzzing sundowner scene and some top-notch beachside retreats. This is the ideal place to recover from your jungle adventures. Take the opportunity to show off your surfing skills or head off on a canoe to Tamarindo National Wildlife Refuge.

#### Day 15: Tamarindo - San Jose

Enjoy one last stroll along the beach this morning before you fly back to San Jose for your connecting international flight. You'll return to the UK buzzing with a newfound sense of adventure and Costa Rica's Pura Vida vibes.

#### Prices Include

Round trip ticket to San Jose (economy class)  
Round trip transfer: airport –hotel–airport  
14-night accommodation in 5\*hotels  
Meal: daily breakfast  
Tours and excursions as per the program  
Assistance of our representative in Costa Rica

#### Prices Exclude

Internal flights  
Airport taxes  
Fuel surcharge  
DIP surcharge \$5/ticket  
Optional Tours  
Visa fees  
Travel insurance  
All other expenses

#### Starting price per person in US\$

#### Hotel

5\* Hotels

#### Double

7610

- Prices may change without prior notice and subject to availability at time of booking

#### Flight Schedule

From	To	Flight No	Departure	Arrival
Dubai	Paris	AF 5107	07:50	11:35
Paris	San Jose	AF 430	13:40	18:20
San Jose	Atlanta	AF 5799	08:10	13:17
Atlanta	Paris	AF 681	17:25	07:40
Paris	Beirut	AF 566	09:00	14:10

#### Payment facilities available with CFC

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