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Costa Rica: A Tropical Adventure

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$6,197 /double • $7436 /single *(airfare included)*

Costa Rica is a destination like no other—a country where mist-shrouded cloud forests meet dazzling Caribbean and Pacific shores. Here, you can watch sea turtles nesting on a secluded beach in the morning and glide through a rainforest canopy before lunch. With nearly a quarter of its land protected as national parks, Costa Rica is a living sanctuary of biodiversity—home to exotic birds, playful monkeys, slow-moving sloths, and some of the friendliest people in the world.

Costa Rican culture embodies the pura vida philosophy—literally "pure life"—a celebration of simplicity, nature, and community. This small, stable democracy is a global leader in sustainability, producing nearly all of its electricity from renewable sources and protecting its forests for future generations.

Join us as we explore this lush tropical paradise—its volcanoes, rivers, beaches, and vibrant local culture—on a journey that blends natural wonder with the relaxed pace of pura vida.

TOUR INCLUDES

- Local home pick-up service and luggage handling
- All meals, attractions, guides, and activities
- Cruise the rainforest canals of Tortuguero National Park, one of the most biologically rich regions on Earth
- Visit a working coffee plantation on the slopes of Poás Volcano and savor a fresh cup at its source.
- Walk among the treetops on the Mistico Hanging Bridges trail in Arenal's rainforest canopy.
- Float down the tranquil Peñas Blancas River on a guided wildlife safari.
- Relax in the natural thermal hot springs of Arenal Volcano
- Enjoy two nights of sunshine and surf on the Pacific beaches of Tamarindo.
- Stay in four distinctive, handpicked hotels blending comfort, nature, and local charm.
- Savor fresh Costa Rican cuisine and a farewell sunset dinner by the sea.

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Costa Rica: **Day by Day**

Day 1: Pre-night stay in Charlotte
Your Costa Rican adventure begins with easy, door-to-door pickup before making our way to hotel close to the airport, where we'll spend the night before our early morning flight.

Day 2: Arrival in San José
This morning we'll have an easy flight to San José, the welcoming capital city. En route from the airport, we'll stop for a fascinating tour of the Doka Coffee Estate, a family-owned plantation on the fertile slopes of Poás Volcano. Learn how rich volcanic soil and cool mountain air produce some of the world's finest coffee, and enjoy a cup freshly brewed from beans grown right where you stand.

Later, settle into the Hotel Bougainvillea, an oasis set amid ten acres of tropical gardens filled with orchids, bromeliads, and colorful birds, a perfect introduction to Costa Rica's botanical beauty. Enjoy dinner at the hotel's acclaimed restaurant featuring fresh, locally sourced cuisine.

Days 3 & 4: The Rainforest Rivers of Tortuguero National Park
This morning, we travel northeast by coach toward Siquirres, where we board our riverboat and glide through a maze of jungle waterways to reach Tortuguero National Park, often called the "Amazon of Costa Rica." Accessible only by boat or plane, this remote region offers a glimpse of the country at its wildest.

For two nights, we'll stay at the charming Mawamba Lodge. The next day, embark on a naturalist-guided boat excursion through the park's tranquil canals—home to caimans, river otters, iguanas, sloths, and brilliantly colored toucans. On past Globe Treks visits, our guests have spotted more than 25 bird species before lunch!

Between excursions, stroll along the black-sand beach where endangered green sea turtles nest, or visit the small village of Tortuguero to meet locals and learn about their life in harmony with the rainforest.

Days 5 & 6: Arenal Volcano & the Cloud Forest Canopy
We'll journey inland today toward the majestic Arenal Volcano, its near-perfect cone rising dramatically above lush pastures and tropical forest. Arrive in the charming town of La Fortuna and check into the Baldi Hot Springs Hotel Resort & Spa in La Fortuna, a luxurious retreat known for its thermal pools, fine dining, and spectacular volcano views.

The next morning, we'll walk among the treetops at Mistico Hanging Bridges Park, an easy, guided exploration of the rainforest canopy via a series of suspension bridges. After lunch, a leisurely float down the Peñas Blancas River offers the chance to see howler monkeys, herons, and iguanas as our naturalist guide shares insights into Costa Rica's extraordinary biodiversity.

Return to our hotel in time to unwind in the natural hot springs before a delicious dinner with your fellow travelers.

Days 7 & 8: Pacific Tranquility at Tamarindo Beach
Our route today traces the scenic shores of Lake Arenal before crossing into the sunny ranchlands of Guanacaste Province, where the landscape opens to golden beaches and palm-fringed coastlines. Arrive in the relaxed surf town of Playa Tamarindo, where the Pacific rolls gently onto broad, sandy shores.

Our final two nights are spent at the elegant Tamarindo Diria Beach Resort, set directly on the water and surrounded by lush gardens and inviting pools. Here, you can spend the day as you wish—swimming, strolling the beach, or simply relaxing under a palm tree with a cool drink in hand.

As the sun sinks over the Pacific, we'll gather for a farewell dinner by the beach, celebrating a week filled with discovery, wildlife, and the warmth of Costa Rican hospitality.

Day 8: Adiós, Costa Rica!
After breakfast, we'll drive to Liberia International Airport (LIR) for our flight home to Charlotte. Globe Treks staff will meet you upon arrival and ensure a smooth return to your doorstep—bringing home cherished memories of emerald jungles, volcanic vistas, and the pura vida spirit of Costa Rica.

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