

COSTA RICA FLAIR 8 days

Itinerary:



Day 1 : Arrive San José

Upon arrival at Juan Santamaria International airport transfer to hotel and time to relax.

Lodging: Palma Real Hotel

Day 2 : San José - Volcano & Waterfalls (B / L)

Today make your way to the Poás Volcano and on the way visit the Doka Coffee Estate for a delicious breakfast. Then you are treated to a tour through the coffee plantation where you learn the ancient techniques used by the experts to produce some of the best coffee in Costa Rica and around the world. Afterwards continue to the Poás Volcano where you can admire the impressive main crater with its sulfur fumaroles and learn about the different ecosystems in this unique and protected national park. Later continue to the La Paz Water Fall Garden for a scrumptious lunch and tour. Walk through a trail leading to a spectacular waterfall in the middle of the rainforest. Inside the park you visit the hummingbird gallery, the serpentarium, the bird house, the butterfly garden and the frog's exhibit.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch **Lodging:** Palma Real Hotel

Day 3 : San José - La Fortuna (B / L / D)

After breakfast get ready for the raw beauty of the imposing Arenal Volcano juxtaposed against the lush and soothing thermal waters of the Tabacon Hot Springs. Set against a backdrop of lush vegetation and breathtaking views of the nearly perfect conical shaped lines of the volcano. En route to the volcano stop in the famous town of Sarchi, known as the birthplace of Costa Rica's Artisans. Here you see many handicrafts and the world largest ox cart. The journey continues to the small town of La Fortuna where you enjoy lunch at a cozy restaurant with a wonderful view of the volcano. Then time to relax at one of the magnificent hot springs in the area. Feel the cleansing and rejuvenating effects of the thermal waters. It combines the four elements of nature, the heat of the volcano, the flowing waters of the hot springs, the pure air of the rainforest and the fertile earth of the Fortuna de San Carlos Region.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner **Lodging:** Arenal Paraiso Hotel

Day 4 : La Fortuna - Rio Frío boat experience (B / L)

Enjoy breakfast and afterwards start your exploration of the Rio Frío river, part of the Caño Negro Wildlife Refuge. Here you will find one of the most diverse flora and fauna habitats in Costa Rica. Along the river it is possible to observe many birds like the snake-bird, herons, cormorants and other animals like howlers, spiders, white face monkeys, caimans, Jesus Christ lizards and turtles.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch **Lodging:** Arenal Paraiso Hotel

Day 5 : Arenal Volcano - Manuel Antonio (B)

Breakfast at the Hotel. Afterwards make your way to the Manuel Antonio National Park, one of the most popular parks in Costa Rica.

Meals: Breakfast **Lodging:** Tabulia Hotel

Day 6 : Manuel Antonio National Park (B)

After breakfast at the hotel your excursion within the Manuel Antonio National Park begins. The park is made up of numerous trails, taking you through the rainforest and onto several pristine white sand beaches, only reachable through the park. The park is alive with tropical butterflies, birds, monkeys, snakes, iguanas, sloths, orchids and more. On this tour you learn about the life cycle and special abilities and behaviors of its inhabitants. A truly unique experience.

Meals: Breakfast **Lodging:** Tabulia Hotel

Day 7 : Manuel Antonio - San José (B)

Today after breakfast at the hotel it is time for the journey back to San José. Enjoy your last evening in Cost Rica with some last minute souvenir shopping or trying one of the local restaurants in the city.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner **Lodging:** Palma Real Hotel

Day 8 : San José Departure (B)

After breakfast transfer to the airport for your international return flight.

Meals: Breakfast

