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-  Start Location
-  Visited Location
-  Plane
-  End Location
-  Cruise
-  Train
-  Over night
-  Ferry

Day 1 | Your Adventure Starts in San Jose



Bienvenidos a Costa Rica! Cute sloths, boat rides and ziplines are waiting in the Pura Vida playground of Costa Rica and we can't wait to show you them all. On arrival, a local host will greet you at the airport and arrange your transfer to the hotel. Relax or hit the pool for a swim before meeting your Travel Director and fellow adventurers for some fiesta fun at our Kickoff Party.

Meals: Dinner

Hotel: Sheraton San Jose

Day 2 | Float Through Tortuguero National Park



Rise this morning and head east through Braulio Carrillo National Park, where we'll embark on a river journey through protected wetlands to secluded Tortuguero as we glide through canals, lagoons and lowland rainforest. Then continue to your Stays with Stories at Laguna Lodge, where you'll learn the story of how the lodge was built with materials that protect this biodiverse environment and natural habitat. For dinner tonight enjoy a buffet at the resort's open-air restaurant.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel: Laguna Lodge

Day 3 | Take a Voyage Through Tortuguero



There's nothing like the wake-up call of a troop of howler monkeys to start your day. Set off on a Family Fun cruise through the park's canals with your Local Specialist and guide to explore the lush waterways of Tortuguero National Park. You may want to start a tally of all the types of wildlife you'll see. Look out for sloths, green iguanas, caiman, crocodiles and colorful toucans. Of course, you'll spot tons of monkeys - agile howler and spider monkeys and white-faced capuchins swinging through the dense rainforest canopy. This afternoon, venture back out on the canals to add to your wildlife tally or relax back at the lodge, the choice is yours. A MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience awaits this evening as you enjoy dinner while the young musicians of Tortuguero Music School entertain you with the joyful sounds of the Caribbean.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel: Laguna Lodge

Day 4 | Unlock Horquetas



Bid adiós to the monkeys for now as you boat back to the mainland and travel to Horquetas. Here you'll MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® and visit local Tico family's palm plantation to learn how they grow this exotic vegetable. Taste something you've probably never tried before, the delicate heart of palm. After, head to a local restaurant for some refreshing passion fruit sorbet and view some of the huge green iguanas that hang around. This evening, enjoy a pizza party in an open-air kitchen where kids get to make their own pizza.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Hotel: Arenal Paraiso Resort and Spa

Day 5 | Venture into Arenal National Park



Rise and shine as the forest and volcano call you back. Start the day with a guided trek around the quiet side of the volcano. Walk through the old lava rocks and learn about the powerful forces behind the volcano's past eruptions. Then, head to the Arenal Hanging Bridges to walk eye-level with the lush canopy, observe the monkeys, sloths and chattering birds up close, and look out to see towering Arenal Volcano. Meet our hosts Rodrigo, Ana Julia and their family, for a Be My Guest experience hearing the amazing stories of the volcano eruptions. Explore the beautiful botanical garden and finish with lunch at the family ranch. Later, relax in the thermal springs or take a swim in the pool back at the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch

Hotel: Arenal Paraiso Resort and Spa

Day 6 | Fly Above the Treetops



Imagine yourself soaring high above the jungle floor as you zipline (Waiver Required) through the treetops, eye-to-eye with the lush foliage and ocean views. Later, head south to Manuel Antonio, renowned for its warm blue waters, beautiful beaches and abundant exotic wildlife.

Meals: Breakfast

Hotel: Parador Nature Resort and Spa

Day 7 | Marvel at Manuel Antonio National Park



Walking deep into the national park with your Travel Director, you'll definitely check off a few more creatures on your wildlife list-at last count, there were 109 different animals and 184 species of birds living here. Listen to the whooping bark of howler monkeys and the chattering of mischievous squirrel and white-faced monkeys. Then, it's time to hit the beach. Laze in the warm Pacific or choose an optional Beach Kayak tour or Boat tour where you may see various bird species, reptiles, anteaters and white-faced monkeys. This evening, join your fellow explorers to celebrate new friendships over a Farewell Dinner at the hotel.

Meals: Breakfast, Dinner

Hotel: Parador Nature Resort and Spa

OPTIONAL EXPERIENCES:

Catamaran & Snorkeling Adventure - Your naturalist guide will provide commentary as you sail by islands, cliffs, and rock formations while watching for bird nesting grounds and marine wildlife. After exploring the coastline, your captain will set anchor in a secluded bay, and there will be time to snorkel. Be on the lookout for parrotfish, angelfish, starfish and maybe a friendly dolphin! Beverages and snacks will be available onboard.

Adult: 95.00 USD

**Please Note: This optional experience is seasonal and is only offered from late November through mid-April during the dry season.*

Surfing Lessons - The beautiful beaches in Manuel Antonio National Park offer the perfect setting for your surfing classroom. Shortly after being picked up at your hotel, you will arrive at the beach and receive a short, 20-minute introduction prior to entering the water. Once in the water, the instructor will be with you at all times, and in between sessions, you can relax in a beach chair under the shade and enjoy available refreshments.

Adult: 105.00 USD

Day 8 | Back To San Jose



Travel back to San Jose's Juan Santamaria International Airport for your flight home or consider extending your stay at the Sheraton San Jose. Airport arrival will be at approximately 11:00 am, please be aware when booking your flights.

Meals: Breakfast