

COSTA RICA EXPLORER



16 Days / 15 Nights

*Experience all the excitement,
adventure and natural settings
that Costa Rica offers in more
than 2 weeks!*

Introduction

This Vacation Package has been designed for travelers that are looking forward to spend a great adventure in Costa Rica and see for themselves what Costa Rica is all about... amazing volcanoes, incredibly extreme activities and dense rainforests, all in less than 3 weeks!

Day 1

On your arrival at Costa Rica, a shuttle will be waiting for you at Juan Santamaria Intl Airport to take you to the Hotel Garden Court, just 5 minutes from the airport. You will be checking in at a Standard Room at this great hotel, where you can relax by the pool and spend the night here waiting for the next day, when all the adventure starts!

Day 2 and 3

The next day you can have breakfast at Denny's Restaurant before your shuttle picks you up at the hotel to take you to your white water rafting adventure at the Pacuare river or if you prefer you can have breakfast on your way to the river where you will be served a typical Costa Rican breakfast.

The Pacuare River is one of the top five rafting rivers in the world for its scenery and rapids. This



Private Shuttle



Hotel Garden Court



Standard Room



Rafting Pacuare River

quintessential tropical river is a trip of pure magic, unsurpassed beauty, wildlife and exhilarating rapids.

After changing comfortably into your swim gear we will drive to our private put in. At our put in the safety talk, equipment fitting and familiarization are done before embarking in the best rafting the country has to offer. You will be ready to raft 14 miles deep in the heart of densely vegetated gorges, past gushing waterfalls, serene pools and pounding rapids, in one of Costa Rica's most impressive primary rainforests.



Arenal Volcano and Lake

You will be staying in a lodge in the middle of the rainforest where you will be served lunch, dinner and breakfast the next day. On your third day you will ride again on the rapids and when all the adventure is over, you will be transported back to Hotel Garden Court.

Day 4-6

On your fourth day in Costa Rica, you can enjoy breakfast at Denny's Restaurant before we take you to the Arenal Volcano region on an air-conditioned microbus.



Eruptions at Arenal

The Arenal Volcano is active since 1968 and is constantly ejecting gases, water, fumaroles and explosions that are every visitors amusement.

You will be checking in at Hotel San Bosco in La Fortuna. La Fortuna is a small town close to the Arenal Volcano where you will have access to the local services like restaurants, laundry service, shopping sto-

res, souvenir stores, super markets, etc. At Hotel San Bosco you will have access to free internet, swimming pool, jacuzzi, free local calls and a very friendly staff.

You will be staying in a standard room with air condition, cable tv, private bathroom with hot water and breakfast served at the poolside.



Hotel San Bosco

We have planned for you a visit to the Tabacon Resort and Hotsprings. The Tabacón Hot Springs perfectly combine mineral content, volume and temperature. While there are many hot springs destinations around the world, few offer this special balance set in a splendorous natural paradise. You will enjoy a delicious dinner at this magnificent place where you can swim and relax in the thermal pools and if you listen closely you can even hear the volcano eruptions. Be also in the lookout for the lava flow coming from the tip of the volcano!

There are plenty of activities to do at Arenal Volcano that you can book in advance with us. Just let us know and we will gladly assist you beforehand.

Day 7 and 8

On your seventh day, we will pick you up after having breakfast at the hotel and take you to the Monteverde Cloud Rainforest



Hotel San Bosco



Skytrek

Once in Monteverde, you will be checking in at Hotel Arco Iris Ecologicalodge.

Arco Iris Lodge offers a tranquil tropical retreat close to the center of the village of Santa Elena, Monteverde. Accommodation is in well designed, comfortable cabins, constructed by local craftsmen using building materials from the surrounding area. Each of the twelve cabins offers a private bathroom with hot water and a balcony or terrace. The cabins are set among carefully preserved forest fragments and landscaped gardens where both ornamental plants and a variety of fruit trees abound, attracting many different species of birds and butterflies.

At this hotel you will enjoy a hearty and delicious buffet breakfast daily (included in this package), featuring freshly prepared foods - some made from our own organic garden produce - representing a blend of European and Costa Rican cuisine. They offer hot and cold drinks throughout the day. There are several restaurants within walking distance of the hotel which serve a variety of local and international dishes where you can enjoy lunch or dinner (not included in this package).

There are no planned activities at this location but you can book them in advance through us.

From canopy tours to hiking tours in the middle of the cloud forest, you can enjoy of a great time at this beautiful place.



Monteverde



Hotel
Arco Iris Ecologicalodge



Arenal Volcano
Mountain Biking
(Optional)

Day 9-13

On this day, after enjoying your buffet breakfast at the hotel, we will pick you up and transfer you to the Central Pacific Coast in Costa Rica. You will be checking in at Hotel Costa Verde in Manuel Antonio.

Hotel Costa Verde is located on a coastal rainforest bluff overlooking the Pacific beaches of Manuel Antonio National Park near Quepos, Costa Rica. Its many amenities make Costa Verde a perfect destination for those seeking adventure travel, ecotourism, sportsfishing or just the tranquility of white sand beaches and magnificent ocean views.

Three hundred yards from the beach and Manuel Antonio National Park, the Hotel Costa Verde features two cliffside pools with sundecks and spacious rooms and balconies, all offering a bird's-eye view of the Park's coastline plus rainforest canopy vistas dotted with native birds and monkeys.

We have planned for you a sailing tour that you will enjoy greatly. Sail aboard the Tom Cat or the Spanish Dancer. Come aboard and see the many dolphins, whales, sea turtles, and birds of the Manuel Antonio Marine Preserve. Enjoy a feast of fresh fruits, grilled fish brochettes, pasta salad, drinks and the finest hospitality.



**Hotel Costa Verde
Ocean View**



Hotel Costa Verde



Manuel Antonio Beach

The rest of your stay in Manuel Antonio is to relax, enjoy of Manuel Antonio National Park and of the beach. There are several more activities that you can reserve through us in advance and please feel free to contact us to make your reservations.

Day 14 and 15

On this day we will pick you up at Hotel Costa Verde and transfer you to the Costa Rican Central Mountain Ridge. Once there, you will be checking in at Hotel Poas Volcano Lodge.

Poas Volcano Lodge lies between the Poás and Barva Volcanoes at 6200 feet above sea level on the ridge dividing the Atlantic and Pacific zones of the country. The lodge is nestled into the rolling pastures, at the foothills of Poás Volcano, one of the world's largest active craters. The impressive views from the house include not only the volcano, but also the western area of the spectacular Braulio Carrillo National Park as well as the Caribbean plains and even the Caribbean Sea. The lodge is just a few meters from the nearest protected subtropical rain forest area, through which a network of trails has been designed for visitors to explore and see its birds and extensive flora. At this hotel you will enjoy of a daily Farm-House breakfast that will be of your delight every morning.



**Sailing in
Manuel Antonio**



**Hotel Poas Volcano
Lodge**



**Poas
Volcano**

There are no planned activities at this location but you can also reserve them in advance and we will gladly assist you to have them reserved in advance. From visiting the Poas Volcano National Park to visit the La Paz Waterfalls and Gardens, there is plenty of things to do at this out-of-this-world location.

Day 16

On your last day you will be picked up at the hotel and our private shuttle will take you to San Jose to be on time at the airport. This ends your Costa Rica Explorer vacation, with lots of adventure, nature and memories to share with your family and loved ones. You have traveled all around Costa Rica and have been able to witness all the magical places that Costa Rica offers. From incredible rivers, dense rainforests, active volcanoes, white sand beaches, amazing fauna and flora and ever-changing microclimates, there is everything for everybody!



Private Shuttle



**Juan Santamaria Intl
Airport**

This vacation package includes all the following:

<u>Vacation Includes:</u>	<u>Driving Times:</u>	<u>Meals included:</u>
<p>2 nights at Hotel Grano de Oro at Garden Suite 1 night at a Garden Suite in Pacuare 1 night in Honeymoon Suite in Pacuare 3 nights at Hotel San Bosco at a Standard room 3 nights at Hotel Arco Iris at a one room cabin 4 nights at an Efficiency room in Hotel Costa Verde 2 nights at Standard room in Hotel Poas Volcano Lodge Pick up and drop off at Juan Santamaria International Airport Transfer to all hotels and activities 2 day white water rafting Canopy Tortuga Island Snorkeling</p>	<p>Juan Santamaria Airport-Hotel Grano de Oro: 30 min Hotel Grano de Oro-Hotel San Bosco: 4 hours Hotel San Bosco-Hotel Arco Iris: 4 hours Hotel Arco Iris-Hotel Costa Verde: 4.5 hours Hotel Costa Verde-Hotel Poas Volcano: 5 hours Hotel Poas Volcano-Juan Santamaria Airport: 45 min</p>	<p>Breakfast on days 2, 3, 4, 16 and 17 Lunch on day 2, 11 and 13 Dinner on day 2, 3 and 7</p>