Wild Costa Rica 9 days

Spend 9 exhilarating days experiencing the wonders of Costa Rica - a nature lover's paradise, blessed with lush rainforests and national parks, rumbling volcanoes, sublime beaches and wonderful wildlife.

TOUR DETAILS:

- Starts in: San Jose / Ends in: San Jose
- Departs: Sundays - Year round
- No local payment required
- Breakfast:0, Lunch: 0, Dinner: 0
- Hotel Rating: Simple hotels and cabins
- Tour Guide: Tour leader escorted

ONLINE RESOURCES:

- For a detailed GO GUIDE - click here
- To book this trip - click here
- To enquire about this trip - click here

TOUR MAP:

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Tour Prices ::: Why Us? ::: Best Places to Visit ::: Best Time to Visit ::: Style of Travel ::: Useful Info ::: Visas ::: FAQs ::: Photo Gallery

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Day 1:

Welcome to Costa Rica! Upon arrival in San Jose make your own way to our hotel. Spend the remains of the day at leisure in Costa Rica's cosmopolitan capital city, which is nestled in a fertile valley among coffee and sugar-cane farms.

Days 2 - 3:

San Jose - La Fortuna. First stop on our Costa Rican adventure is the sleepy rural town of La Fortuna which is located in the shadow of the active Arenal Volcano, which has been constantly erupting since 1968. After settling into our hotel you'll have time for a leisurely lunch and to explore the town. In the evening there is an exciting optional excursion to a site near the volcano to listen to it's rumbles and sample the local alcoholic spirit which is almost as explosive as the volcano itself! On a clear night you'll be rewarded with incredible views of red hot lava discharging from the volcano crater. After this there's the option to indulge yourself with a visit to the luxurious hot springs for a well-earned dip. Spend day 3 at leisure or partake in a variety of exciting optional excursions; from caving or white water rafting, to canoeing, horse-riding or trekking in search of the local wildlife and beautiful waterfalls. Overnight - La Fortuna

Days 4 - 5:

La Fortuna - Santa Elena. On day 4 we travel up into the mountains to Lake Arenal, where take a boat to the other side of the lake, enjoying the picturesque views en route. We then continue our journey to the small town of Santa Elena, which is our base for exploring the beautiful Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve with its unique canopy of cloud. The reserve is a nature lovers paradise and an excellent place for bird watching, we go in search of the endangered Quetzal, a bird with incredibly beautiful and unique plumage and visit the Hummingbird Gallery where these energetic birds buzz around sipping on nectar. The reserve has excellent trails for walking and hiking, one of which takes you to the continental divide. On a clear day both the Atlantic and Pacific Oceans can be seen!

There are lots of optional activities on offer in and around Santa Elena to keep us entertained, from its famous ziplines over the cloud forest and sky walks on suspension bridges above the forest canopy, to horse treks and nature-spotting twilight walks. Overnight - Santa Elena

Days 6 - 7:

Santa Elena - Manuel Antonio. Leaving the lofty heights of Santa Elena behind we travel south through lush green countryside to Manuel Antonio which is famous for its stunning beaches and rainforest. Manuel Antonio National Park is one of the most popular parks in the country; blessed with beautiful lagoons, palm fringed beaches and a plethora of animals including sloths, pelicans, white-faced monkeys, anteaters and huge iguanas. Enjoy time at leisure exploring the park and relaxing on the beach. Overnight - Manuel Antonio

Days 8 - 9:

Manuel Antonio - San Jose. On day 8 we travel back to San Jose for our final night in the capital. After hotel check out on day 9, our journey through Costa Rica comes to an end. San Jose (1)

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Prices shown are per person travelling. 'Twin/Double' prices per person apply when there are 2 people travelling, sharing a room. The 'Single supplement' applies for single travellers who require their own room and needs to be added to the 'Twin/Double' price. If you are happy to be paired up with another single traveller of the same sex on your tour, this can be arranged, thus avoiding the single person supplement. All our scheduled tour departures are guaranteed subject to a minimum of 4 travellers. To date we have not cancelled a single trip! Airport transfers are not included but can be booked for an additional cost, see below. Transfer cost is per vehicle (maximum 2 people).

WHAT YOU SEE AND WHAT YOU GET:

Below is a list of key highlights and what is included on this tour. Further, where appropriate, we have listed the items that are not included in the tour price.

Trip Highlights

- San Jose - Costa Rica's cosmopolitan capital
- La Fortuna and the active Arenal Volcano
- Lake Arenal - picturesque highland lake
- Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve - shrouded in a canopy of cloud and home to a wonderful array of flora and fauna
- Manuel Antonio National Park - beautiful beaches, lush rainforest and lots of wildlife

What's Included

- 8 nights simple hotels and cabins
- Local transportation - public buses, mini buses, boats and taxis.
- Excursions to Monteverde Cloud Forest and Manuel Antonio National Park
- Escorted by a tour leader
- Specialist local guides at certain sights of interest

What's Not Included

- International flights, departure and border taxes and visas.
- Tips on all excursions. Tip for your tour leader - an entirely personal gesture.
- Meals - allow US$25-30 spending money per day to cover meals, snacks, drinks, limited souvenirs and any extras.
- Airport transfers - these can be booked at an additional cost upon request.

PRICES AND DATES: from USD $899

2014

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
27 APR - 05 MAY	USD $899	USD $189
04 MAY - 12 MAY	USD $899	USD $189
18 MAY - 26 MAY	USD $899	USD $189
25 MAY - 02 JUN	USD $899	USD $189
08 JUN - 16 JUN	USD $899	USD $189
15 JUN - 23 JUN	USD $899	USD $189
29 JUN - 07 JUL	USD $899	USD $189
06 JUL - 14 JUL	USD $899	USD $189
20 JUL - 28 JUL	USD $899	USD $189
27 JUL - 04 AUG	USD $899	USD $189
10 AUG - 18 AUG	USD $899	USD $189
24 AUG - 01 SEP	USD $899	USD $189
07 SEP - 15 SEP	USD $899	USD $189
21 SEP - 29 SEP	USD $899	USD $189
05 OCT - 13 OCT	USD $899	USD $189
19 OCT - 27 OCT	USD $899	USD $189
02 NOV - 10 NOV	USD $899	USD $189
16 NOV - 24 NOV	USD $899	USD $189
30 NOV - 08 DEC	USD $899	USD $189
14 DEC - 22 DEC	USD $899	USD $189
28 DEC - 05 JAN	USD $899	USD $189

2015

Date	Price/Person	Single Supp.
11 JAN - 19 JAN	USD $899	USD $189
25 JAN - 02 FEB	USD $899	USD $189
08 FEB - 16 FEB	USD $899	USD $189
22 FEB - 02 MAR	USD $899	USD $189
08 MAR - 16 MAR	USD $899	USD $189
22 MAR - 30 MAR	USD $899	USD $189
05 APR - 13 APR	USD $899	USD $189

19 APR - 27 APR	USD $899	USD $189
03 MAY - 11 MAY	USD $899	USD $189
17 MAY - 25 MAY	USD $899	USD $189
31 MAY - 08 JUN	USD $899	USD $189
14 JUN - 22 JUN	USD $899	USD $189
28 JUN - 06 JUL	USD $899	USD $189
12 JUL - 20 JUL	USD $899	USD $189
26 JUL - 03 AUG	USD $899	USD $189
09 AUG - 17 AUG	USD $899	USD $189
23 AUG - 31 AUG	USD $899	USD $189
06 SEP - 14 SEP	USD $899	USD $189
20 SEP - 28 SEP	USD $899	USD $189

Supplementary Prices

	Price/Person	Single Supp.
Airport Transfer - San Jose, Costa Rica	USD $59	USD $0