



TBI TOURS PRESENTS:

# Costa Rica coast to coast

Can you imagine visiting the Grand Canyon, the Amazon River and Hawaii all in the same location? This is possible only in Costa Rica, the most incredibly diverse and beautiful country on the planet. This Central American nation is a tiny world unto itself and was recently voted the 5th cleanest country in the world. Lush vegetation, wild animals and pristine beaches untouched by the modern world will allow you to enjoy nature at its best.

## Day 2: San Jose Sights Tortuguero National Park (Caribbean Coast)

After breakfast, we will have an opportunity to see some of the sights of San Jose. A must see will be the National Theater and the National Museum in order to understand the rich history of Costa Rica. Afterward we will learn about the three main Eco-systems we will be visiting at the Bio-Diversity Center.

Next, we visit the Gold Museum to see thousands of different examples of Pre-Columbian gold artifacts. Our journey then takes us east as we travel through banana plantations to Tortuguero National Park. Finally, visions of Hepburn and Bogart on the African Queen will come to mind as we wind through the rivers and canals of Tortuguero National Park by small boat. The wildlife is impressive: crocodiles, monkeys, sloths, endangered manatees, iguanas among many others. Tortuguero is often called the Amazon of Costa Rica for its rich vegetation, fauna and navigable network of lagoons and canals. Our boat will dock at our resort hotel located in the midst of the rainforest where we will spend two unforgettable nights!

**B & D**

## Day 3: Tortuguero National Park Sights

This morning wake as the jungle comes to life. Howler monkeys, toucans and other exotic birds will be your personal wake up call. After breakfast at the lodge, we will board our private boat for a guided cruise of Tortuguero National Park. Here we will cruise the shorelines of the rainforest to witness the unique beauty and wildlife of this area. Our sightseeing will be both early morning and late afternoon with time to relax poolside and enjoy this wonderful resort property located within this incredible forest. **B, L & D**

## VACATION INCLUDES:

- International airfare from most Midwest cities
- 8 nights hotel/lodge accommodations
- 9 days private motorcoach
- 16 meals (8-B, 2-L & 6-D)
- English-speaking Costa Rican tour director
- All admission fees
- All air and local taxes & fees
- All baggage handling
- All gratuities for driver, guides and naturalists

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### Day 1: Gateway City - San Jose, Costa Rica

This morning we will depart the USA as we fly to the capital city of Costa Rica, San Jose. Upon arrival, transfer to a wonderful boutique hotel for the night. This evening join us for a Welcome reception in the gardens before dinner on your own.



**Day 4: Tortuguero - La Fortuna & Arenal Volcano (Northern Region)**

After breakfast, we will re-board our boat as we make our way back to the mainland of Costa Rica. Our journey now takes us over mountains and through small villages as we travel into the northern region of Costa Rica to La Fortuna. In La Fortuna, the major attraction is Arenal Volcano. It rises 5,436 feet above sea level and is one of the most active on planet earth, spewing lava every few minutes! Upon arrival, we will check into our lodge for a two-night stay where we will have an amazing view of the Arenal Volcano. This evening join us in the dining room for an unforgettable dinner. **B, L & D**

**Day 5: Arenal Volcano Sights**

After breakfast it is time to explore this region of Costa Rica. Today see the forest from the treetops as we ride a relaxing aerial tram. For those active travelers, you may wish to explore the forest on an optional trip to the Hanging Bridges (must be an active walker- 2.5 miles). Later it's on to the Hot Springs that are naturally heated by this volcano for an opportunity to swim in its therapeutic waters. Our local naturalist guide will give us an invaluable education about the diversity of this enchanting country. Once again, dinner will be included at our resort. **B & D**

**Day 6: Arenal Volcano - Mid Pacific Region (Pacific Coast)**

After breakfast, we will continue this fascinating journey as we travel to the Mid Pacific Region and Pacific Coast of Costa Rica. Today we will stop at the Orchimex, a complex that grows the national flower, the orchid. Learn about these exotic and beautiful plants. Costa Rica has over 1,500 species of orchids and exports them daily to flower shops all over the world. Later today we arrive at the Pacific Coast of Costa Rica and to Punta Leona for a three-night stay. Our resort is located near the beach but more importantly near one of the most impressive national parks in Costa Rica, Manuel Antonio! Dinner will be included this evening. **B & D**

**Day 7: Manuel Antonio National Park**

After breakfast we will travel south to Manuel Antonio National Park. This park is one of the most visited destinations in all of Costa Rica due to its flora, fauna, amazing sunsets and beautiful beaches. While enjoying the views and beaches, you will encounter White-faced and Squire Monkeys, two-toe sloths and much more. This regulated national park is unique for its natural resources and great outdoor activities. Later today we return to the resort for dinner and an evening at leisure. **B & D**

**Day 8: Mid Pacific at Leisure**

After breakfast, a day has been set aside for your personal enjoyment. Relax around the pool, play a round of golf or try some world-class sports fishing. You may wish to return to Manuel Antonio National Park to stroll through some of the shops or enjoy this spectacular beach. Dinner is not included for this final overnight as you may wish to explore on your own. **B**

**Day 9: Mid Pacific - San Jose - Gateway City**

After breakfast, we will board our private coach and return to San Jose for our flight back to the USA. **B**

**TOUR FARE:**

- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per person double occupancy
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per person single occupancy
- \$ \_\_\_\_\_ per person triple occupancy

**PAYMENT POLICY:**

A \$\_\_\_ per person deposit is due no later than \_\_\_\_\_ to secure your reservation. First come, first served. Final payment is due no later than \_\_\_\_\_. Please make checks payable to TBI Tours and send to TBI Tours, 728 E. Smith Rd., Medina, OH 4256. PHONE: 330-722-0027

**OPTIONAL INSURANCE:**

Optional trip cancellation/medical insurance is available and strongly recommended. Travelex Group Insurance premium is due with deposit and is refundable up to final payment date. The premium is \$\_\_\_ per person.

**REFUND POLICY:**

100% of the tour cost will be refunded on all cancellations made prior to final payment date. Cancellations made after final payment date are subject to cancellation fees assessed by airlines, hotels, attractions and ground operators.

