



## THE COSTA RICA EXPERIENCE

### 8 DAYS

Experience the highlights of the natural wonders of Costa Rica's rainforests, volcanoes, and beautiful views of waterfalls, rivers and beaches. Discover the wonderful world of wildlife and vegetation refreshed by gentle tropical rains. Learn about the rich Costa Rican culture and history by experiencing the beautiful museums and historical sites of San José.

## ITINERARY

### Day 1: Thursday – New York – San Jose

Leave New York for your flight to Costa Rica. Upon arrival to San Jose Airport, we will meet our local guide who will take us to our hotel in San Jose.

### Day 2: Friday – San Jose – Poas – La Paz

After breakfast we will depart to Poas Volcano and La Paz Waterfall tour. This volcano has some of the world's largest geysers with an awesome crater, over 1.5 km wide. The volcano is active, but completely safe for viewing. Then, visit La Paz Waterfall Gardens which are absolutely spectacular! This large property features the world's largest butterfly observatory, hummingbird and orchid gardens, safe trails along the La Paz River and 5 large waterfalls. Return to the hotel in San Jose. Shabbat services followed by Shabbat dinner.

### Day 3: Saturday – San Jose

Following Shabbat Services at the Synagogue and lunch at the community center, enjoy a walking tour of the area.

### Day 4: Sunday – San Jose – Manuel Antonio National Park

Start the day with the City Tour of San Jose, this tour immerses you in the rich Costa Rican culture and history by experiencing the beautiful historical sites of San José. We will drive along the beautiful Sabana Park. Next, we will take a walking tour through the historic National Theater completed in 1897. The theater is a masterpiece in art and architecture. Afterwards we will visit one of the most unique Museums of Costa Rica – the Gold Museum. We will continue heading to the University of Costa Rica, the Supreme Court and various sites of interest. After the City Tour depart to the central pacific coast where Manuel Antonio is located. Manuel Antonio is undoubtedly one of the most luxuriant locations in Costa Rica, with spectacular white-grey sandy beaches fringed by thickly forested green hills. In the afternoon we will visit the Manuel Antonio National Park. Spectacular natural beauty and peaceful atmosphere attract many visitors to Manuel Antonio Park, which preserves not only beautiful beaches and the unique formation of Punta Cathedral, but also mangroves, a setting of islands offshore, and a humid tropical forest. The park has four beaches, each with its special characteristics. You will follow a professional guide through one of Costa Rica's most famous National Parks that gathers numerous species of butterflies, monkeys, raccoons, coatis, agoutis, two – toed sloths, snakes, orchids, etc.

**Day 5: Monday – Manuel Antonio Catamaran**

The Catamaran island adventure begins at Quepos Harbor; cruising through the aquamarine waters toward the spectacular and scenic coastline of Manuel Antonio Park. Soon you will be in open water and on the lookout for spotted dolphins, migrating humpback whales, sea turtles and manta rays. You will be captivated by the sight of dolphins frolicking at the boat’s wake, or the inimitable sound of a whale’s song. These are the nesting grounds and home for numerous species of marine birds, including pelicans, boobies and ibises. After touring the coastline, you will anchor in a protected cove within the pristine Biesanz Bay for snorkeling. Afternoon at leisure.

**Day 6: Tuesday –Manuel Antonio – Jungle Crocodile- Cloud Forest Canopy Tour**

After breakfast depart to our Hotel & Resort, right in the center of a cloud forest. On the way we will stop for the crocodile tour – a close up encounter with various types of crocodiles, some of them up to 5 meter length. See the wonder of Costa Rica’s nature, rich vegetation, birds and animals. The cloud forest region possesses beautiful and varied scenery; this land stays green and humid all year round. Finish your day with Canopy Tour, where you will see the forest from the top of the trees – more than 500 acres of forest with amazing view.

**Day 7: Wednesday – Arenal – Hanging Bridges – Hot Springs**

After breakfast we will go Horseback riding and discover the wonderful world of wildlife and vegetation, amazing canyon, the Balsa River, hidden lake and the Cacique Mountain with its magnificent view. Then depart to Arenal, which is located in the northern part of the Alajuela province, close to the Nicaraguan border. This region possesses beautiful and varied scenery. Refreshed by gentle tropical rains, this land stays green and humid almost all year round. The lowlands host gushing rivers, hot springs, lagoons, remote national parks, and plentiful wildlife. Upon arrival we will start our hanging bridges tour. We will hike through the tropical humid forest. Pass many bridges from 5 to 100 meters long and up to 60 meters high: spectacular scenery of birds, reptiles, mammals and insects. In the end of the day enjoy the thermal water hot springs for a few hours, then return to the Hotel for dinner.

**Day 8: Thursday– San Jose – New York**

Transfer back to the int’l airport for your flight home.

**DATES, PRICES AND IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

Tour Code	Departs	Returns	Duration	Person in DBL room	Single Supp.
ECSR2001	20 JAN 2022	28 JAN 2022	8 DAYS	\$1995	\$1250

**Prices include:**

- Entrance fees to all sites included in the program.
- Superior Tourist Class and First Class (3 and 4 star) hotels and resorts.
- Transfers & transportation by private A/C buses.
- Tips for service providers abroad
- Kosher full board: Breakfast & Dinner + Sandwiches for lunch
- English speaking guide

**Prices do not include:**

- International round trip flights
- Personal expenses, any other item which is not included
- Travel and luggage insurance
- Tip for the tour guide (accepted \$ 5 per person per day trip)
- Anything not specified in the "Price includes"

**Terms of Payment**

- From the time of registration \$300 per person.
- From 35 days before departure- Full payment

**Important Information**

- ❖ Fridays and Saturdays, holidays and holidays in Israel, Sundays and holidays abroad are not counted as a working day.
- ❖ If any flight tickets were issued or additional services such as visas were purchased, etc., their prices will be added to the above cancellation fees
- ❖ The price of the trip is based on a minimum of 20 paying travelers
- ❖ The passenger is responsible for the final updates, all the many changes that are made in the final route after updating domestic flights and changes of travel agents abroad. Tour itineraries undergo changes according to the above, as well as due to serious climatic changes or hazards which require necessary changes. As travel agents, we do not have control over many changes that are required, which are made many months after the tour was originally planned. In the event that the passenger finds it necessary to cancel registration for the tour due to these changes in the itinerary, the passenger will be refunded all his/her money.
- ❖ The trip is subject to the conditions and responsibilities as they appear on the website
- ❖ Passports must be valid for at least 6 months beyond the return date from the tour
- ❖ There may be changes in the itinerary due to changes in internal flight times and other objective reasons

**Terms of cancellation**

- From the time of registration, US \$ 47 per passenger for cancellation fees which will be charged in any case
- From 21-35 working days before embarking on the trip: 50% of the price of the trip to the traveler
- From 7-20 working days before embarking on a trip: 75% of the price of the trip to the passenger
- Less than 7 working days before departure: 100% cancellation fee including all associated costs such as visa,
- If any flight tickets were issued or additional services such as visas were purchased, etc., their prices will be added to the above cancellation fees