



Wild Wonders of Costa Rica 2025

Saturday, November 1 – Saturday, November 8, 2025
Trafalgar

If you enjoy wide-open spaces, multi-hued creatures, and bright, vivid scenery come join Fox World Travel as we explore the Wild Wonders of Costa Rica. Travel through Costa Rica's lava trails, cloud forests, and high-in-the-sky suspension bridges that invite you to take a walk on the wild side. Enjoy scenic boat rides, nature walks, and natural hot springs as you leisurely soak in the views. Frolic among hundreds of species of butterflies, birds, reptiles, and wildlife in the most vibrant rainforests, and feast on your own delicious Costa Rican creations in an authentic cooking class. With visits to an active volcano and exotic fruit plantations, plus several meet-and-greets with the native macaws and monkeys, this vacation is not to be missed. We'll even throw in a few "Fox Exclusive" events to really enhance your Costa Rican experience!

Package Inclusions:

- Round-trip air from Chicago to San Jose, Costa Rica when booking the air and land package (includes current air taxes and fees)
- Round-trip airport/hotel motorcoach transfers in Costa Rica (when booking our air-included package)
- Seven nights' accommodations: 1-night San Jose, 2-nights Tortuguero National Park, 2-nights Arenal National Park and 2-nights Manuel Antonio National Park
- Kickoff Party, 7 breakfasts, 4 lunches and 5 dinners
- Expert Trafalgar travel director, driver & local guides for transfers and included experiences
- Porterage for one bag per person (where available)
- All hotel taxes & resort fees
- Hotel tips, restaurant tips for included meals and local taxes
- Custom travel documents containing trip details and helpful packing and planning information
- Professional Tour Manager from Fox World Travel*

Premium Tour Experiences:

- Braulio Carrillo National Park – River journey to a secluded Tortuguero village
- "Fox Exclusive" – Meet master chocolatiers to learn about the history of chocolate making
- Tortuguero National Park – Family fun cruise through lush waterways
- "Make Travel Matter" – Evening dinner with the young musicians of Tortuguero Music School
- "Make Travel Matter" – Visit a Tico family's palm plantation to learn about this exotic vegetable
- Arenal Volcano – Guided trek to view the volcano and traverse hanging bridges high among the treetops
- "Be My Guest" – Meet a family with amazing stories of past Arenal eruptions
- "Fox Exclusive" – Dinner & Cultural Event: An evening of food, drink, history and music
- Zip-Lining! – Through treetops, eye-to-eye with lush foliage and exotic rainforest creatures
- Manuel Antonio National Park – Guided tour to see blue waters, sparkling beaches & more wildlife

Air & Tour Package:

- \$4719.00 per person Double Occupancy

Tour Only Package:

- \$ 3719.00 per person Double Occupancy

Initial Deposit: \$500.00 per person

Final Payment: No later than July 18, 2025

Single Supplement: \$812.00 (limited single occupancies available)

Available Discounts

Early Booking Discount: Deposit by December 31, 2024 and receive \$300.00 off per person

Insight Past Passenger Discount*: \$100.00 per person

**Must have traveled with Insight Vacations, Uniworld, Brendan Vacations, Trafalgar or Contiki within the last five years to qualify.*

Discounts are subject to change at any time.

DAILY ITINERARY



Day 1: Saturday, November 1 – Welcome to Costa Rica!

Bienvenido! Welcome to 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, you have one group transfer to your 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.

Hotel: Sheraton San Jose Hotel (standard room) or similar

Meals: Kickoff Party

Day 2: Sunday, November 2 – Float Through Tortuguero National Park

Rise this morning and head east through Braulio Carrillo National Park. We'll embark on a river journey with a Local Specialist through protected wetlands to secluded

Tortuguero and glide through canals, lagoons, and lowland rainforest. A "Fox Exclusive" event is next as you meet master chocolatiers, Julio Fernandez and George Soriano, to learn about the history of chocolate and how it is produced at this small workshop. Later it's 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 (subject to availability). For dinner tonight enjoy a buffet at the resort's open-air restaurant.

Hotel: Laguna Lodge Tortuguero (standard room/garden view) or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 3: Monday, November 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.

Hotel: Laguna Lodge Tortuguero (standard room/garden view) or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 4: Tuesday, November 4 – Unlock Horquetas and on to Arenal

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 a 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.

Hotel: Hotel Arenal Paraiso Resort and Spa (superior room/volcano view) or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 5: Wednesday, November 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 at Arenal National Park. 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 to hear 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. Tonight is a special treat, dinner & a cultural evening with Elieth Herrera! Visit local resident Elieth Herrera's home to taste local drinks, take a tortilla class, enjoy a buffet meal featuring local cuisine as you listen to your host play guitar and sings folklore music. You'll also learn about sugar cane and other local cultivations that she has on her property.

Hotel: Hotel Arenal Paraiso Resort and Spa (superior room/volcano view) or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

Day 6: Thursday, November 6 - Fly above Manuel Antonio National Park

Head south to Manuel Antonio National Park, recognized for its warm blue waters, sparkling white-sand beaches and abundant exotic wildlife. Then get ready for a blast! Imagine yourself soaring high above the jungle floor as you fly along ziplines through the treetops, eye-to-eye with the lush foliage and exotic rainforest creatures. Invented in Costa Rica, zip-lining through the canopy will be an adventure of a lifetime.

Hotel: Parador Nature Resort and Spa (garden view) or similar

Meals: Breakfast

Day 7: Friday, November 7- Marvel at Manuel Antonio National Park

Walking deep into the national park with your Local Specialist guide, 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 squirrels and white-faced monkeys. Then, it's time to hit the beach. Laze in the warm Pacific or choose an optional Mangrove Kayak tour, or Open Sea Kayak and Snorkel 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.

Hotel: Parador Nature Resort and Spa (garden view) or similar

Meals: Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

Day 8: Saturday, November 8 - Back to San José – Hasta Luego Costa Rica!

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 on November 8 will be approximately 11:00 am, so flights home will be in the afternoon.

Meals: Breakfast

Fox Professional Fee: Package price includes a \$50.00 non-refundable Professional Fee per reservation. Fee will be charged at the time of deposit and will show as an additional payment from Fox World Travel.

Departure Tax: A departure tax of \$29.00 per person (subject to change) is required when departing Costa Rica. Fee may be included in cost of airline ticket. Notice will be sent once flights have been confirmed.

Not Included: Airline flights on land-only packages, airline luggage fees if applicable, gratuities for airport porters, tour guides, motorcoach drivers, meals (other than those included in the package), optional excursions, travel insurance and any items of a personal nature.

Terms: *Minimum of 20 travelers required for the tour to operate and send a Fox World Travel tour manager to accompany the group. In the event the minimum number is not reached, the tour may still include a processional, local guide in destination.

Group Air: A minimum of 10 passengers is needed for the group air. Flights are currently pending. The air-inclusive package includes air that has not yet been assigned, the identity of the carrier, which may include the carrier's code-share partner, will be assigned and disclosed at a later date. Price includes approximate air taxes and fees. Air package pricing is subject to change until contracted due to the volatility of airfare costs. Checked luggage fees may apply. Fox World Travel has no control over flight or equipment changes, seat assignments, delays, or cancellations. Airline tickets will be non-refundable once issued. Changes will be subject to a fee plus any fare difference. Additional restrictions may apply. Pricing and flight options from other cities available upon request.

Insurance: For peace of mind, we recommend purchasing travel protection insurance. Your travel advisor can discuss options with you, including medical expense coverage, pre-existing medical condition exclusion waivers, trip cancellation, trip delay, lost, delayed, or damaged baggage and more. To cover pre-existing conditions, most policies must be purchased within 14 days of making your initial deposit. Travel protection insurance prices are based on your age and the trip cost.

Costa Rica Details:

- Valid US Passport is required. All details are mandatory before final payment (Passengers Full First, Middle & Last Name, Passport Number, and Nationality) to book National Parks entrances. Passenger information must match exactly as per passport. Any discrepancies will incur delays/charges locally, any applicable fees will be paid by guest in destination.
- Tortuguero National Park: guests are permitted to bring a maximum of 25 lbs. (11 kilos) of luggage. Guests' primary suitcase will be transferred and securely stored at the Sarapiquí hotel.
- This tour visits remote areas that offer limited accommodation options. Trafalgar uses the best available accommodations with eco-friendly amenities.
- This tour requires walking on uneven surfaces and steps and sometimes through heavy showers (rain ponchos provided).
- This tour is best enjoyed by the experienced guest in good health and who can take such conditions in stride.
- We recommend bringing a flashlight for use in rural areas of Costa Rica where lighting is often limited on the walking paths at night.

Note: Daily Itinerary is subject to change. Order of sightseeing may change throughout the itinerary. Substitute visits to other sites may occur during your trip due to uncontrollable factors.