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8 DAY WORLD HOLIDAY
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Costa Rica

Tour Dates: May 18-25, 2018

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Costa Rica

8 Days • 13 Meals The limitless possibilities that include extensive rainforests, volcanoes, rivers traveling through the mountains, beaches and natural resources safeguarded by an important organization of national parks and forest preserves will unfold before your eyes on this amazing holiday in Costa Rica.

TOUR HIGHLIGHTS

- ✓ 13 Meals (7 breakfasts, 2 lunches and 4 dinners)
- ✓ Airport transfers on tour dates when air is provided by Mayflower Tours
- ✓ Overnight in San José, Costa Rica
- ✓ Visit to Poás Volcano
- ✓ Enjoy a visit to Doka Coffee Estate with a guided tour and lunch featuring this local specialty
- ✓ Experience Arenal Volcano National Park – enjoy a gentle hike at the base of the volcano
- ✓ Spend three nights in La Fortuna overlooking Arenal Volcano
- ✓ Included excursion to Caño Negro National Wildlife Refuge with a local guide and lunch
- ✓ Spend three nights in Manuel Antonio
- ✓ Experience a Jungle Crocodile Safari with our Costa Rican expert
- ✓ Visit Manuel Antonio National Park with our Costa Rican expert
- ✓ \$40 in Mayflower Money

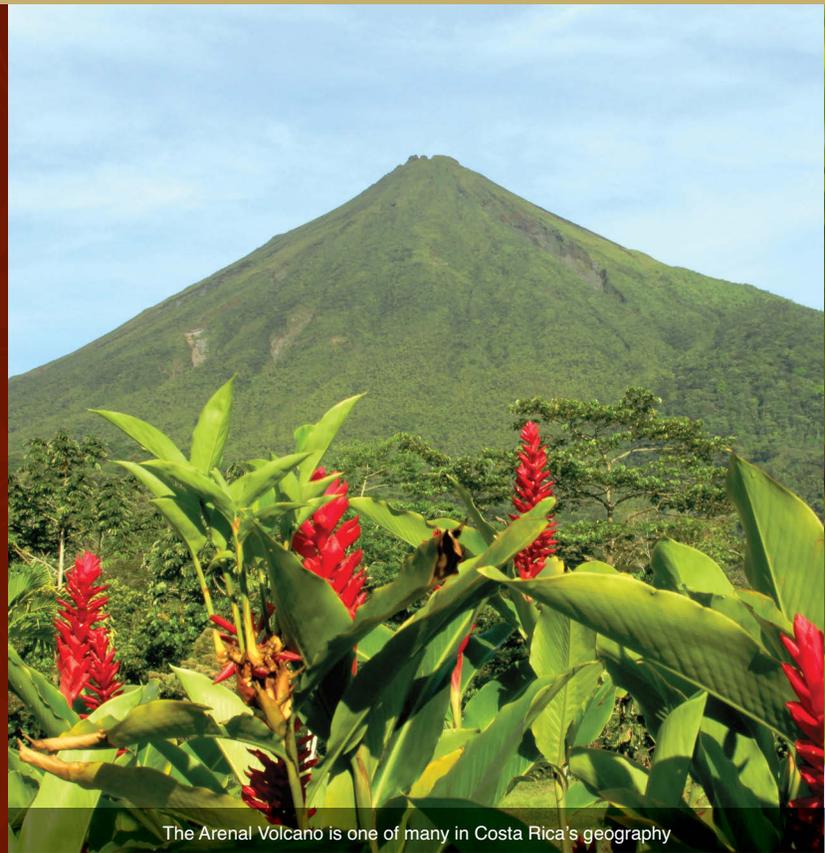


HOTEL ACCOMMODATIONS

Day One – Wyndham Herradura, San José, Costa Rica

Days Two through Four – Arenal Manoa Hotel, Arenal area, Costa Rica

Days Five through Seven – El Parador Hotel, Manuel Antonio, Costa Rica



The Arenal Volcano is one of many in Costa Rica's geography

DAY 1 – USA / San José, Costa Rica

Your journey begins in the historic capital of San José at a delightful casino hotel. There is time for a swim or massage before the included dinner and your busy schedule flows into Costa Rica's mystical tropical paradise. **Meal: D**

DAY 2 – Poás Volcano

En-route from San José to the La Fortuna area, visit Poás Volcano, one of the most spectacular volcanoes in Costa Rica. Poás has a long history of large eruptions, first producing a cloud of hot ash five miles high back in 1910. Look down from its mile-wide rim into a gigantic boiling cauldron of steaming geysers. Continue to the Doka Coffee Estate for a tour of the plantation where you learn how this famous product of Costa Rica is produced. Following lunch at the estate, continue to the La Fortuna area, a village ringed by mountains and inhabited by friendly folk whose little shops may offer the perfect memento. Its most well-known 'resident' is the Arenal Volcano. From your hotel you can see its awe-inspiring cone first thing in the morning and the last thing at night. This evening is free to enjoy the rich natural wonders of the resort – beautiful waterfalls, fragrant trails and the natural hot springs. **Meals: B, L**

DAY 3 – Arenal Volcano

There are few places on earth where one can observe an active volcano, but you will have the opportunity to spend the afternoon near Arenal Volcano, one of the most active volcanoes in the Americas. Since it erupted 400 years ago, it has continued to light up the night sky. From our observation point, we may see smoke billow from the cone as the thermal waters are heated and expelled by the



White-faced monkey at home in Manuel Antonio National Park



Take an optional Zip Line Adventure through the rainforest during your free time

volcano. Upon returning to the hotel, relax in the springs before enjoying an included dinner. With lovely views of the resort's hot springs, lush gardens and Arenal Volcano, this is a tropical paradise. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 4 – Caño Negro Wildlife Refuge

While in the Arenal area, enjoy a full day excursion to Caño Negro National Wildlife Refuge, a remote “everglades” type wetlands, teeming with different species of flora, fauna and birdlife. Enjoy a boat ride on the Rio Frio, where you'll have an opportunity to see a plethora of wildlife: snake-birds, heron, comorants, howler, spider and white-faced monkeys, three-toed sloths, basilisk lizards (also known as Jesus Christ lizards), turtles and much more. This is truly a unique experience, showcasing the natural beauty of Costa Rica. A typical lunch is provided during the excursion. **Meals: B, L**

DAY 5 – Arenal area to Manuel Antonio

After breakfast, drive to the Manuel Antonio area, famous for its national park. This tiny yet bustling town is located off Costa Rica's Central Pacific coast, just a stone's throw away from Quepos. The region is a treasure for biodiversity, attracting nature buffs, eco-travelers and adventure seekers alike. Upon arrival, check in to your hotel for three nights accommodations. Dinner is included this evening. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 6 – Jungle Crocodile Safari

Relax on a boat trip along the Tarcoles River located near Carara National Rain Forest Park. This adventure combines nature with the breathtaking experience of viewing American crocodiles at near

proximities. Home to one of the world's largest crocodile populations in the wild, some of these 'local residents' are up to 15-feet long! As your boat ride takes you inside the mangrove canals and along the Tarcoles River, you also have the opportunity to spot many different species of birds, including the rare scarlet macaw, amongst the lush foliage. The afternoon is at leisure. **Meal: B**

DAY 7 – Manuel Antonio National Park

Today's included tour visits nearby Manuel Antonio National Park, the smallest of the parks in Costa Rica but one of the most popular. There is a magic to this park that is hard to explain. Perhaps it's the park's forest, mangroves, lagoons and beach vegetation that supports 109 species of mammals and 184 species of birds (with migrants bringing the bird species to some 270) that make it so amazing. Among the inhabitants that can be easily seen are sloths, iguanas, agoutis, armadillos, raccoons, coatimundis and the adorable squirrel monkey. We return to the hotel for an afternoon at leisure before we say goodbye at our farewell dinner. **Meals: B, D**

DAY 8 – Manuel Antonio / San José

After breakfast, your tropical get-away comes to an end as you return to the San José airport for your flight home. Flights should depart after 1:00 p.m. Fond memories of the beauty of Costa Rica and the warm hospitality of its people are sure to be treasured for a lifetime! **Meal: B**



Marvel at the beauty of a Costa Rican sunset

2018 DEPARTURE	PER PERSON TWIN ROOM	SINGLE ROOM
May 18	\$2,492	add \$799

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- 90 to 45 days prior 20% of tour cost
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- 14 to 1 day prior 40% of tour cost
- Day 1 of departure 100% of tour cost
- or early departure from tour
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