

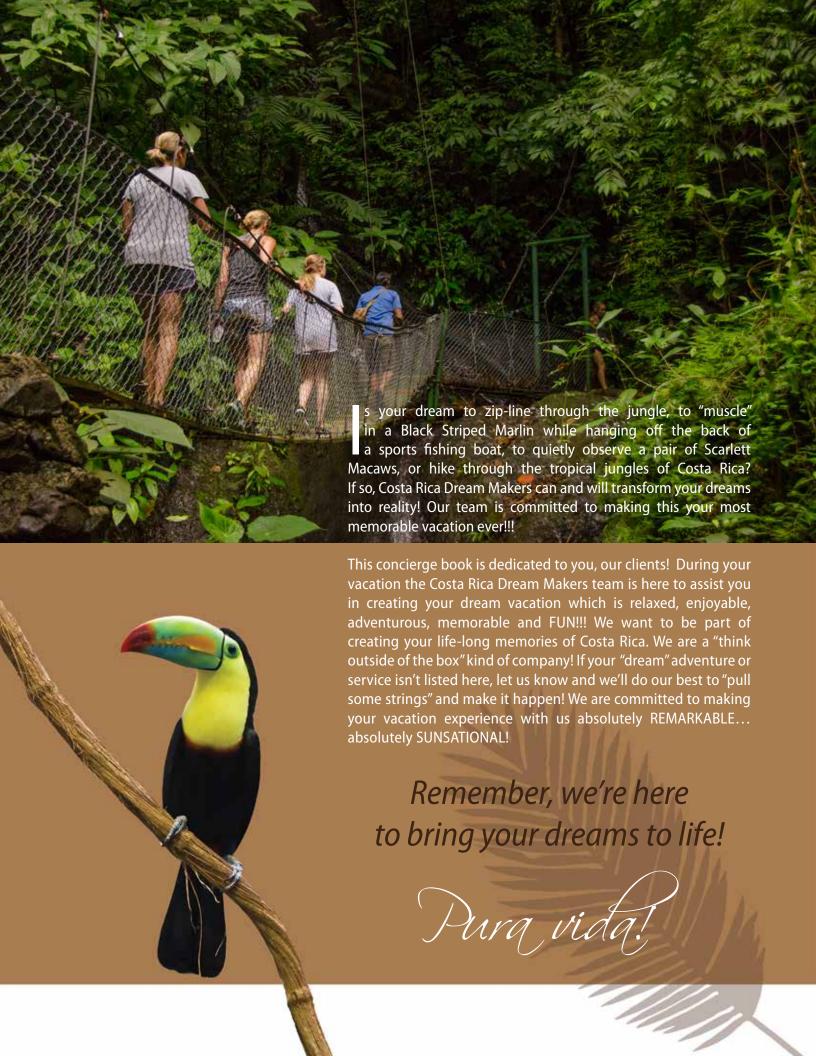
Welcome to Paradise!

Thank you for choosing **Costa Rica Dream Makers.**We hope you enjoy Costa Rica
and our complete Concierge Services!

66

Laughter,
adventures, smiles,
new discoveries and
awe inspiring
moments are
ingredients for
life-long memories!







CLEANINGS: Light cleaning and full housekeeping services can be arranged by request through our Guest Services team. **Office:** +506 2643-1450

CHALLENGES: If you have any problems in your accommodation, please give us a "holler" so that we can quickly find a solution and get you refocused on the important issues of having "fun". **Office:** +506 2643-1450

EMERGENCIES: In the case of an emergency please dial **911**, for non life threatening emergencies please call: +**506 8871-1284**

NON SMOKING: Please remember that you are staying in a nonsmoking unit and smoking is permitted only on the terraces... please don't forget to use the ash trays provided. We appreciate you passing this information along to any other guests in the unit.

We care about **PROTECTING** the **ENVIRONMENT!** So, we kindly ask; before leaving your room please help us by turning off: the lights, television, and air conditioning units. Together we can save electricity and help preserve the planets health and well being!





FUN FACTS

This section is dedicated to those of you who strive to do well at Jeopardy or maybe Trivial Pursuit! You just can't help yourself in your continual quest for knowledge about the places you visit. Either that, or you have been left in the condo, there's no power... so no TV, or you're sunburnt... so no outdoor activities and you are so ridiculously bored that you've reached for this little book to pass the hour away. Whatever the reason, here are some fun facts about Costa Rica... sure to impress your friends or fellow travelers!

Enjoy... just think, you'll be able to pass yourself as a "learned" voyager!

Let's start with a few easy ones...

Hey did you know that...

- The national currency of Costa Rica is called the colones (ko lo nees) however U.S. dollars are accepted everywhere.
- The national language is Spanish though many of the more commercial towns and tourist attractions will have English speaking guides and employees.
- Pura Vida pronounced "pura bida" (v's become b's here) means pure life and is said a billion times a day by everyone. It means that everything is all good!!!
- Buenas pronounced "bwe nas" is a casual way of saying hello and is used often in stores and restaurants by staff.
- Sodas... no these are not fizzy drinks, but are the small restaurants found throughout the country that serve "typical" Costa Rican food.
- Gallo Pinto means simply rice and black beans, a staple meal in the locals' diets.

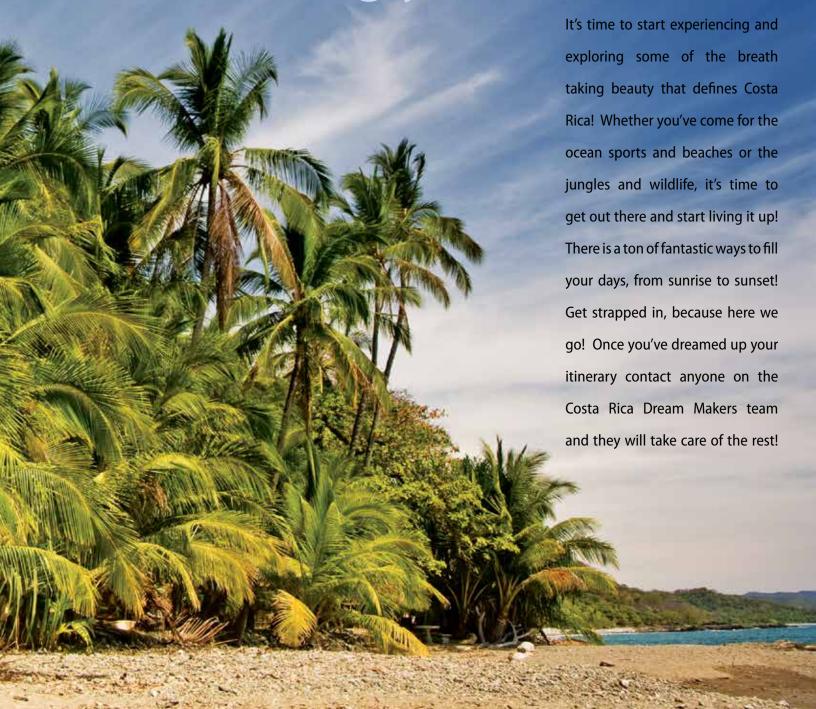
- Tico or Tica is a way to say that a person is Costa Rican. It's not considered derogatory to use this term and remember that ticos are males and ticas are females. Don't mix them up!
- Although Costa Rica may be considered a 3rd world country, many are now considering it a developing country due to the technology firms such as Intel Corporation that have made Costa Rica their new home.
- Costa Rican government has been a democracy since 1940.
- The elected candidate is called the President (not Prime Minister).
- Costa Rica is often referred to as the "Switzerland" of Central America.
- You will find a higher standard of living here than in many Central American countries.
- The temperature of the ocean is the same as the air (test it out, we dare ya!)
- Summer begins in December and runs through to the end of April (5 months... beat that!)
- The Costa Rican school system runs from February through to early December (Summer holidays are from December to the end of January)
- Green season (rainy season) is from May through November though the two heaviest months of rain happen in September and October. It rains like you have never experienced rain before!!! At times we've watched as much as 10 centimeters came down in one hour! Can you say... flood! The rest of the months we enjoy fabulous sun in the mornings and short showers in the afternoons.
- Adult literacy rates in Costa Rica are 97%.
- Population of Costa Rica is 4.1 million people, approximately 3 million live in the Central Valley near the capital city of San Jose.
- Costa Rica has two international airports. One is in San Jose and the other is up north in Liberia.
- The various territories of the country are divided up into Provinces and NOT States.
- Within this tiny country, there is 12% of the world's biodiversity found here... huh? Biodiversity: a term that describes the number of different species that live

- within a particular ecosystem. Okay, there is an unusually large number of plants, insects and animals that make Costa Rica's jungles their home. (Wow didn't think you'd ever get that one!).
- Many Costa Rican families rely on peddle bikes as their primary mode of transportation in rural towns. We've witnessed as many as 5 people balancing on one bike... a true talent! (Dad peddling, mom sitting on the cross bar holding a toddler, son sitting in back in a child seat, newest baby in front basket!!!).
- Did we mention that the Spaniards brought Catholicism when they conquered the country and it has remained the primary religion?
- Imperial, Pilsener and Bavaria are the national beers manufactured in country. You can normally find a beer for fewer than two dollars in the local cantinas. (No one really says "cantina" so don't embarrass yourself by asking where to find one!)
- Flor de Caña is a Nicaraguan rum that is widely consumed, of good quality and known to provide excellent hangovers when consumed in excess!
- Guaro (gwaro) is an alcohol that is super inexpensive and commonly consumed by the locals. POTENT and TOXIC! Yuck! (The guys are definitely going to go in search of some now.)
- Costa Rica, like many developing countries, is not widely familiar with the concept of spaying and neutering their pets. The result is that there are hundreds of street dogs and cats that are always looking for good homes. There are local vets that have begun educating pet owners and they do occasionally supply free spay/neuter clinics in order to help with this epidemic... to learn more or become involved with the McKee Project here in Jaco check out the website at www.mckee-jaco.com.
- Due to the fact that in Jaco most of the restaurants and bars are open-air, you will often see people bring in their pets; who are always welcome!
- Drinking in public is LEGAL! Go figure!
- Drinking and Driving is STILL illegal!
- Wearing your seatbelt is mandatory.
- High tide happens twice a day and it changes daily so you'll need to pick

- up one of the free local magazines that publish the tide charts in order to figure out when you need to plan your surf time... we recommend the Surf Guide!
- Costa Rica and Playa Hermosa in particular have some of the best surfing in the world, which is why our national surf team trains here.
- Have you noticed that most of the fences are made out of live trees? That's why they call them "living" fences. They prune them annually though otherwise there is little maintenance. Pretty smart!
- Did you know that ripe coffee beans are RED when they are picked?
- Costa Rica's largest export items are bananas, pineapples, coffee, cocoa, cattle and sugar.
- If you aren't a resident of Costa Rica then you need to leave the country for 72 hours every 90 days. The gringos call it a forced holiday! Boo hoo right?
- Foreigners have the same rights when it comes to land ownerships as a national does.
- On 90% of the Costa Rica coastlines, the first 200 meters of land from the high tide line is called concession land and is owned by the government. Costa Ricans believe the beaches should be enjoyed by everyone. Concession land may be leased from the government for up to a 25 year term.
- Jaco is an exception to this concession rule (as are a few other small beach towns) as in the 70's the ocean front property in the bay became titled from 50 meters back of the high tide line. That is why you see all of the buildings so close to the beach.
- This book is available in PDF format or online www.CostaRicaDreamMakers. com. If you MUST have one of these great concierge books, please request a copy from your CRDM Dream Team! Please leave me in the condo for the next person to enjoy!

Well we hope you feel a little more educated about this fantastic country and that you will succeed in fooling others about your extremely high IQ as you spew off all of this interesting stuff!

Are you ready? Let's Go! It's time to start living your Dreams!





- 1. The Costa Rica Dream Makers team has experienced each of the tours we recommend, we promise each tour is professional, safe and a good time.... It is true you may be able to find a similar tour in town for a few bucks less but it may not meet your expectations or standards.
- 2. If transportation is included in your tour... sometimes the drivers are on "Costa Rica time"... which means don't worry, their just running a titch late but they haven't forgotten you!
- 3. Please keep in mind that Costa Rican salaries are low and guides truly appreciate your tip... if it's been a great day please don't forget to tip out your crew!
- 4. Costa Rica Dream Makers is here to bring your dreams to life! Please let us know if we can be of further assistance in creating your dream vacation!



of Marlin, Sailfish and good eats. Why? Why the obsession with such a seemingly boring sport, asks the novice? The local folk will explain that geographically we are only 9 degrees above the equator. Storms from the north are magnetically turned back at the 10 degree mark which means that the waters are the calmest around. Okay that sounds "nice" and yes, as a novice I would likely enjoy 2 foot swells versus 6 foot swells, helps keep the lunch down! So what else? Well, depending on the season, the waters off the coast of Jaco are teaming with a wide variety of fish life. Some of the fish that we pay a fortune for back home are more than happy to jump on the line and give you a good fight: Dorado, Tuna, Rooster Fish, Grouper... the list goes on! Pull them up and have the mate filet it so that you enjoy fresh sashimi on board. Yep, fresh sushi is great but... I still don't see it, why the fuss? Okay so if being on the ocean, in the beautiful sunshine, with the music playing, lines in the water, cold beer in hand, slathered in sunscreen, eating freshly caught sashimi doesn't get you excited then maybe the "ZZZZZIINNNGGGG" of a line running out, the instant organized chaos in the cockpit (back of boat) as teasers are quickly

orders and as you look out the back of the boat you see a FIN... a really BIG fin. The Mate helps you put a "fishing belt" on and you feel the immediate pull from the other end as you take the rod. Excitement and adrenaline are pumping now and you begin to work the rod, with the helpful advice from the mate. Suddenly the fish jumps, you see its whole torso and realize its HUGE!!! Big, beautiful and shimmering purple, captain yells that you've got a Sailfish on the line. Strong beyond belief, this beauty is not coming in without a fight. Just when you've got her beside the boat, she dives down and takes the line with her. Another 10 minutes getting her back in, your arm is throbbing, spectators are cheering you on as the sweat pours down your brow! Finally, finally you feel victory as this incredible beauty is brought along the side of the boat and you see for the first time, how truly big she really is...175... 200... 350 lbs! The Mate reaches over and cuts the line and that big beautiful Sailfish, swims free... to be caught another day... to give a thrill to another novice or seasoned angler. With pictures in hand, you sip an icy cold beer, momentarily hausted, revein in the past 20 minutes of thrills and excitement!

Aaaaaahhhhh says the novice, I understand it now. There's really nothing like it... nothing like the excitement of reeling in a really BIG fish and you'll have the picture to remind you of your day on the ocean off the Costa Rican coast, where you caught not only your first billfish, but the sports fishing "bug."

We've got great captains and crews that man everything from a 32 foot boat up to a 60 foot yacht. Depending on the needs and wants of your party, we'll match you up and set you on your way for a memory filled day at sea!

For those who like to try their luck with the bottom feeders, let us know as there are a couple of boats that exclusively offer both bill and bottom fishing. It's a sure way to fill up the ice box as well as the barbecue come dinner time!

Half and full day fishing are available. Don't miss this adventure!

What to bring?

Sunscreen, hat, swimsuit, sunglasses & camera... PLEASE NO BANANA'S... IT'S BAD LUCK!!!

For Water Lovers

wandered down a golden sand beach... and always the thought comes to mind that these people, "these surfers", they look cool! Bronzed bodies, sculpted abs, arms and backs with a complete carefree attitude as they "hang ten" or catch a wave. But the thought of getting out there

et's face it, we've seen them in magazines, on TV and sometimes watched them live as we've there aren't any lifeguards on duty and the currents & rip tides are "man" size!

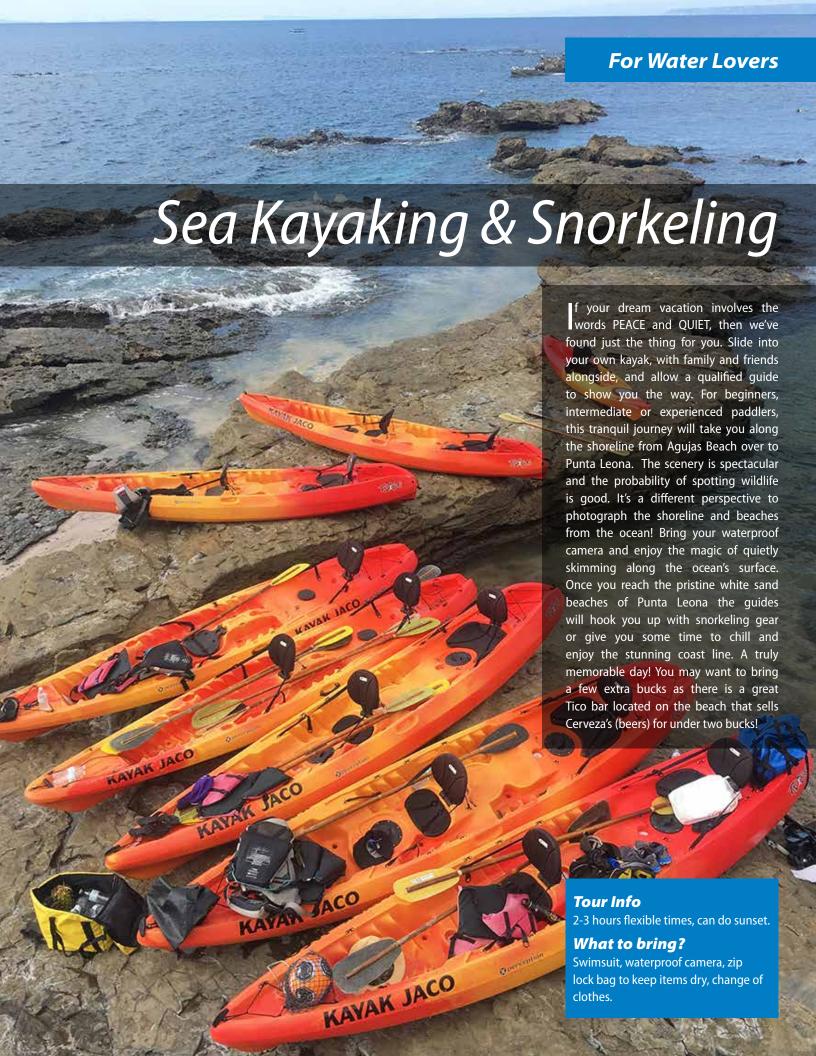
Then there are the rest of us! The slightly "chicken" but intrigued to at least give surfing a try. You'll stay in Jaco Bay where the waves are kind and the sets are forgiving! You'll be hooked up with a patient, experienced and bilingual instructor who will baby step you through, this new and rather perplexing sport. In the beginning they will size you up and give you a suitable surf board, then on to a little land training on the beach, where you'll learn how to "pop up" on the board. And then it's out into the waves! Your instructor is with you at all times, as you duck under the first set of waves and eventually get past the break zone. Once you are out in the water you'll look around and realize that you are now a part of the "cool" club. From here on in the instructor will position you so that when that wave comes in, you're ready to push yourself up and ride it in!! Falling is part of the fun, but with a few corrections and a couple of waves under your belt, you'll feel and sense the reason why surfers are drawn to the beaches every day, when the tide is high and the sets are rolling in! Our team of instructors will ensure you "catch a wave" on your first lesson!!!

There are lessons for children or adults. We strive to ensure the group size is small and each person has their own instructor! Kids & adults build their confidence by learning the ropes in the white water then "graduate" to the break. Whatever level of physical condition you are in, the opportunity to learn the basics and feel like a "pro", is an unforgettable experience. Most lessons are approximately 2 hours long and include the board rental and water.



Swimsuit, towel, sunscreen and your sense of ADVENTURE!!!





Scuba Diving/Snorkeling

If the community underwater, tops your list of adventures or is something that has always intrigued you, then we've got just the crew to make it happen! If you're an experienced scuba diver then choose your dive, join up with the group and you'll head out to some of the hottest dive spots on the Pacific coast. Night dives, Manuel Antonio along with Tortuga Island are possible dives with good visibility where you'll see tons of bright colored tropical fish, manta rays, sting rays, mermaids, sharks and more! (No mermaids... just checking to see if you're paying attention!)

If you've never gotten past the intrigue stage then we say... JUST DO IT!!! There is a certification program, PADI, which provides pool instruction initially and once you're comfortable, then you can join the group and do one of the more shallow dives in the Bay. Always safe, knowledgeable Master Divers are present to answer questions and help to get you blowing bubbles under the sea!

If you've got a large group then private dives can be arranged.

If breathing BELOW the surface isn't your thing maybe floating on top of the

water IS! Ask which dive trips are also great for you snorkelers! All the equipment is provided and you can still enjoy the boat trip with the rest of the group.

What to bring?

Swimsuit, underwater camera, sunscreen, change of clothes.



Tortuga Island Catamaran Trip

ortuga, for those non Spanish speakers means turtle. I bet you're thinking that this full day trip is going to take you over to a quaint little island where you'll watch the leather back turtles laying their eggs on the beach - right? NOPE, WRONG, not even close!

Tortuga Island is a full day of fun, fun, fun in the sun and on the water, in a supped up Catamaran!! Whether you are 2 or 92, you'll have a great time! The tour sets sail out of Puntarenas, the port town only 45 minutes north of Jaco, but don't worry, the trip includes transportation from your condo so you can sit back relax and take in the coffee farms, sugar

plantations, volcanic mountains and the Brahma cattle ranches along the way.

The vessel, she's called the Manta Raya and she was designed with you sailors in mind! It offers a spacious main salon, an expansive deck for sun tanning and 2 pools, providing 100% luxury cruising! There are fresh water showers, washrooms and a full bar featuring delicious Pina Coladas made with fresh Costa Rican pineapple!

The Manta Raya makes her way out of the Gulf of Nicoya with Tortuga Island as the destination. This island is known for its white sand beaches and turquoise waters so snorkeling and swimming are ideal! The boat crew serve up a tasty lunch on the beach, under the palm trees and then there's a bit more free time to frolic in the ocean and on the beach before returning to the catamaran and setting sail home. Can't beat a day on the water where all your needs and wants are catered to!

Full day trips are only offered on the Manta Raya however we can arrange private boat charters to take your group over to Tortuga island so that you can enjoy the beach and the great snorkeling!

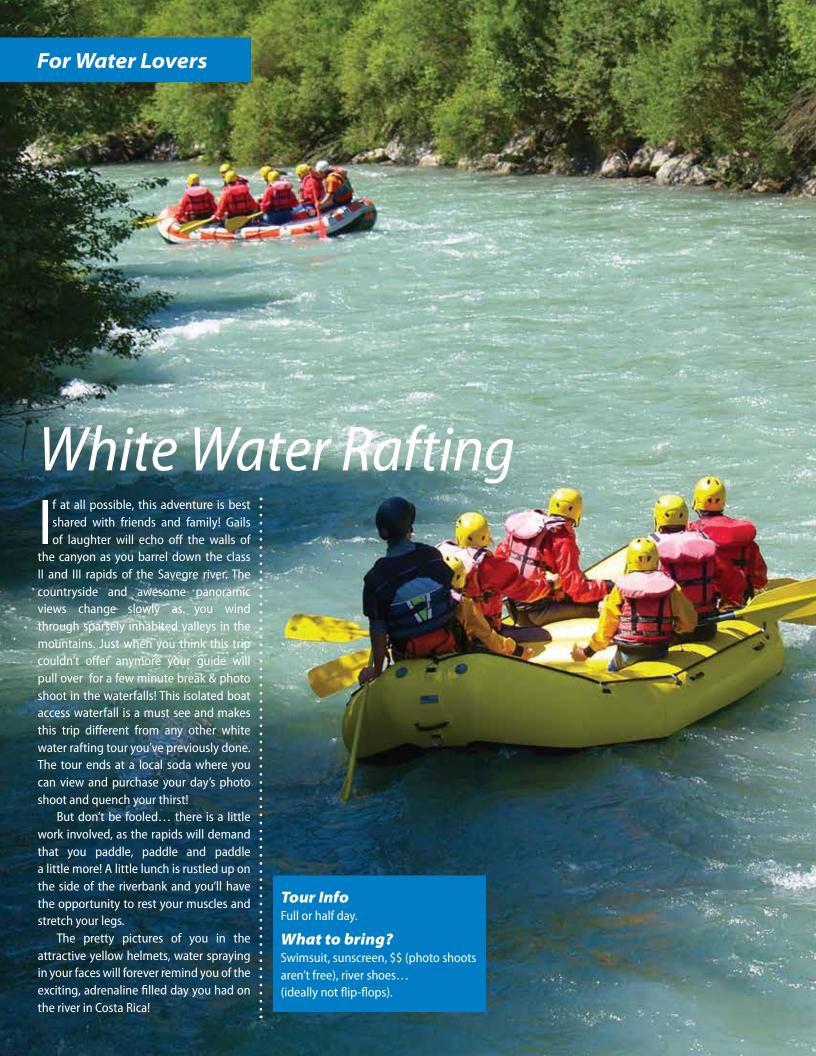
Tour Info

Full day tour.

What to bring?

A snack for the way home as it's a long day, swimsuit, hat, sunscreen, camera and cash or credit card for drinks or if you want to snorkel or banana boat off the island.





Sunset Sailing Trip

Sunset Cruise

here are many beautiful vistas from where you can watch the sunset however the best and most peaceful and most romantic may be from the back of a boat on the ocean. Come on aboard a sleek sport fishing yacht which can comfortably hold 8 people, for a 1.5 hour cruise along the pacific coast line. Wind in your face, cocktail in hand and of course a few delectable nibblies will make this experience, the perfect way to wind down an adventure filled day in Costa Rica! This tour can be customized to meet the needs of your party and is very reasonably priced!

What to bring?

Camera and your closest friends!

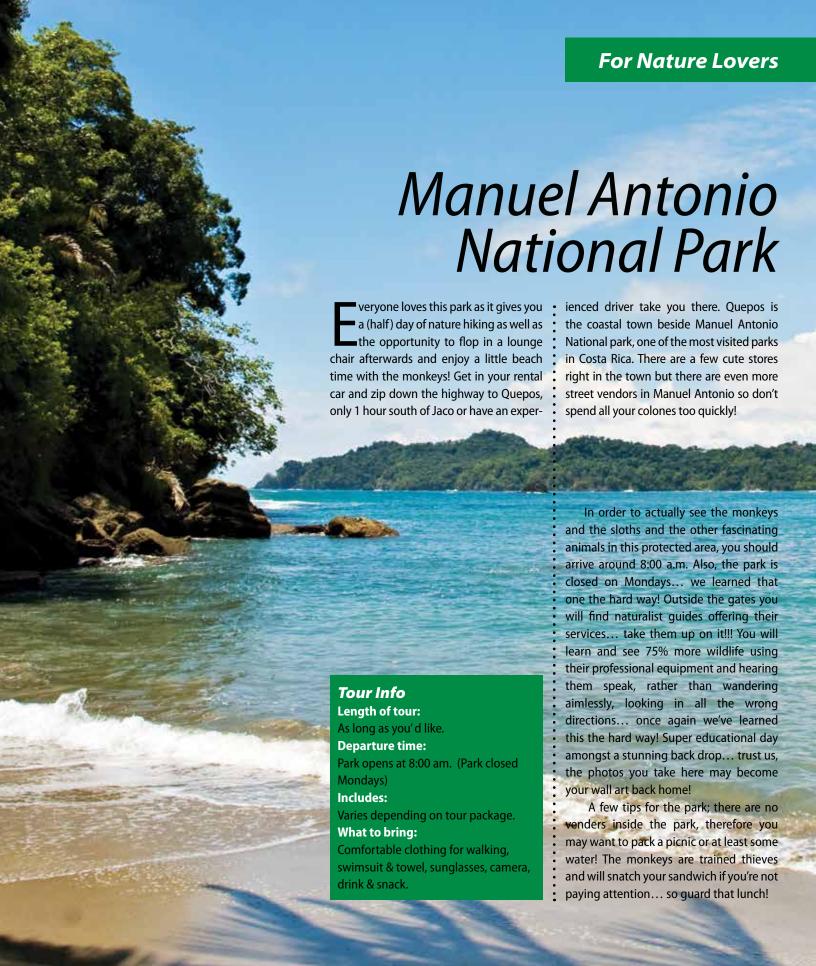
a Catamaran, is quite possibly the most relaxing and beautiful ways to explore the wonders of the Pacific coastline, in search of the different species of dolphin, sand whales, turtles, vibrant schools of colorful tropical fish and of course the diverse species of marine pelagic birds. Certain times of the year you may be serenaded by the songs of the passing whales, whistling to one another from miles apart. As you travel along, you will learn about the heritage of the Quepoa Indians & interesting facts about Manuel Antonio National park. The highlight of the trip will be the pinky-red sun, slowly slipping into the ocean, ending another fabulous day in paradise! Perfect for people of all ages and transportation is included in the price.

What to bring?

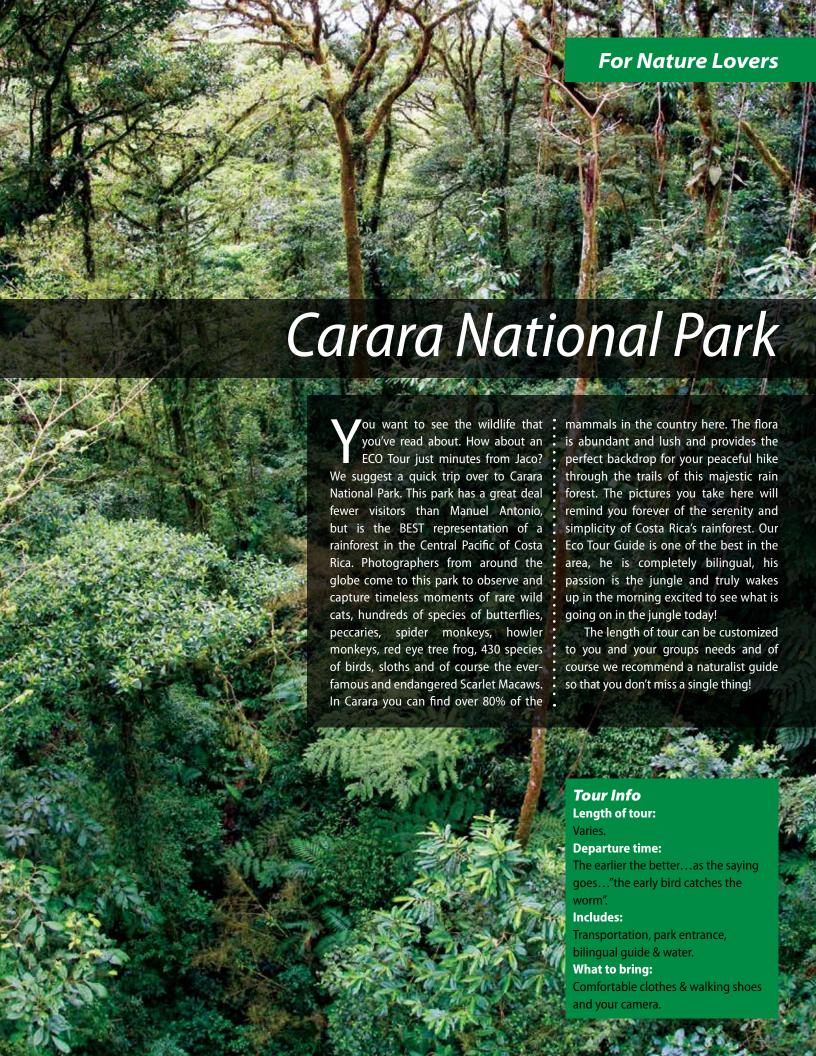
Camera, and a smile!











Arenal Volcano and Tabacon Hot Springs

here is something very powerful: about standing in the proximity of an active volcano. Arenal volcano which is near the small town of La Fortuna is a 3.5 hour drive from Jaco. You can visit it in one day but we recommend you go for at least one night as there are some must do activities that you don't want to miss. Perhaps the most talked about activity is the Tabacon Hot Springs. Open during the day and night, these natural hot mineral springs may be unlike anything you have encountered. There is a restaurant and swim up bar in the main swimming pool at the bottom but the rest of the "pools" are naturally formed with pebble bottoms that are incredibly soothing, not to mention 102 F. For couples looking for romance. make sure you go for a soak at night so that the star filled sky and the rumblings of the volcano can serenade you.

Depending on the weather, you may get lucky and have the clouds part so that the majestic volcanic cone is visible. There are a number of hikes up to the volcano that are possible with varying degrees of physical condition required. This volcano is famous for its incredible eruptions, lava streams and incandescent rock explosions, resembling natural firework displays.

We are happy to set up accommodations, transport and anything else that you may need or want along the way.

Tour InfoOur team will customize for you!



For Nature Lovers Coffee Tour pecially designed for the die-hard Our expert, highly trained guide will coffee lover with a thirst for more lead the way, explaining every step of knowledge and expert's insight. the milling process: from receiving and This tour includes all the excitement of skinning to fermentation and sun drying. our Coffee Tour - Classic and a visit to If you love the "java" like we do, then our historic Tierra Madre coffee mill and you'll find this highly educative and super organic coffee farm in beautiful San Rafael interesting! de Heredia. This turn-of-the-century mill uses the "best practices" for sustainable coffee **Tour Info** production and processing that are used Length of tour: and emulated today. ½ day plus drive time. Participate in a professional coffee **Departure time:** tasting. Take a "sensory journey" to discover

AM or PM.

What to bring:

thirst for coffee.

Comfortable clothing, shoes, camera &

the flavors and aromas that distinguish

coffees from Costa Rica's distinct growing

regions — the differences will surprise

and delight you!



For Nature Lovers

It's not a Costa Rica vacation until you experience Nauyaca Waterfall and horseback tour! This epic full day tour begins with your private driver taking you through the stunning countryside of the Pacific Coast of Costa Rica where you'll see some of the amazing biodiversity of the country including beaches, palm oil plantations, and of course, the rainforest. If you're lucky, you'll see the famous scarlet macaws (the largest parrots in the world). It's an early start, so along the way we'll stop for a little java and a typical breakfast; including delicious eggs and traditional dish of "gallo pinto" (a rice and beans party in your mouth!). Once we arrive at the trail head, we'll hop up onto a well-kept and ultra-friendly horse and meander our way through the rainforest trail until we arrive at a footpath which takes us to the breathtaking and stunning waterfalls! This is where you'll snap that ultimate Instagram photo and if you're feeling really adventurous you can cliff jump into the lagoon, or if you're

Nauyaca Waterfalls

like me, just slowly ease yourself into the refreshing natural lagoon. As this is a private tour we can adapt the schedule and day to make this one of your vacation highlights! Not a horse person? No worries, we can arrange a country truck to take you into the falls using a different route. After this sensational morning at the falls your private guide will take you for lunch at another local restaurant where you can again experience more of the local flavors! This exceptional tour is a must for all ages. My granddaughter who is three loved it, as did my mother who's in her 70's.





looking back at land but oh so fun to be looking down from the 'top of the world" at the little sleepy surf town and coastal area we call Jaco! Some of you have never gathered up the "gumption" to rent an ATV - four wheeler and head out into undiscovered worlds and of course, some of you have. Whether novice or experienced

though it matters little as everyone speaks "WWWWAAAAHHHHHHOOOOO!" So much fun to rip it up, spin your tires, feel a little tiny bit reckless as you explore the neighboring mountains and jungles surrounding Jaco and Hermosa!!! These recreational vehicles are easy to drive and for adults with kids or nervous spouses, on your level of interest. Get ready to have a blast and burn it up!

Tour Info

We will customize to you and your group!

Includes:

Bilingual guide & ATV.

What to bring:

Comfortable clothing...(that you don't mind getting dirty!) & camera.









Real Estate Investment Tour

ave you fallen in love with Costa Rica and want to know you can own a piece of paradise?

Do you see the amazing investment opportunities on every corner of this country?

Do you want to have a vacation home and investment property?

Are you ready to diversify your investment portfolio?

Do you want to retire in Costa Rica?

Do you want to learn more about investing in Costa Rica?

If you answered YES to any of these questions, you'll be interested in our Real Estate Tour.

Costa Rica Dream Makers has partnered with the finest real estate professionals to ensure our clients are provided the best information, knowledge and experience when exploring the investment possibilities in Costa Rica. Quoted from the owner of Resort Realty, "We believe there are many qualities and skills that go into being an excellent real estate professional – integrity, community expertise,

in-depth market knowledge, marketing savvy, effective negotiation skills and a high-quality professional network, all of which are hallmarks of how we work." All agents affiliated with us are professional, licensed agents... this is important to know as you don't need to have a license to practice in this county! We govern ourselves on North American standards of operations. Please call us to connect you with a licensed real estate professional.

Definition of Vacation: Leisure time away from work devoted to rest or pleasure.



If you are devoting your time to pleasure and rest, one should NOT be doing dishes, laundry, ironing, cooking, cleaning or any other domestic chore! Don't worry the Costa Rica Dream Makers team is here to help!

Additional Housekeeping Services

- Daily cleaning service
- Laundry & iron service
- Fruit & veggie platter service (imagine all the tropical fruit and veggies cut up and ready to pop into mouth... no chopping, dicing!)

Transportation (Private ground transportation, limo or helicopter)

Costa Rica Dream Makers provides private transportation to and from the airport or to any other destination in the country. It is great to know that once you get off the plane your driver will be waiting for you, he'll speak English and will even have a cold beer waiting!

Car Rental

If you're the traveler who has to have their own set of wheels... we can take care of this too! Significant improvements have been made to the highways and roads in Costa Rica over the past several years. So, if you're up for the challenge of navigating your own way through Costa Rica, we've negotiated special discounted rent-

als rates for our customers. Check out our website for car rates and pictures or contact us for more information.

Spa Treatments

When it comes to how and where you would like your Spa experience to unfold, there are choices. Jaco and Herradura have a number of spas that we can recommend for you to go to unwind and wash away your stress, BUT you may prefer to have the masseuse or esthetician come to you in the comfort of your condo. If there is a large group of you, it can be fun to take turns getting your Pedi and Mani done! Just let us know and we will be happy to make it happen for you! The possibilities include:

- Massages
- Facials
- Pedicures
- Manicures
- Hair Cuts and color
- Full spa packages

Yoga

While you are here in Jaco you may be searching around for a place to roll out

your mat and begin your Sun Salutations? If this is the case then you're in luck as there are a number of yoga studios, both indoors and out that will welcome you and leave you with a tired but stretchedout body. There is an outdoor studio in Playa Hermosa and at least 2 indoor studios in Jaco to choose from. Drop-in fees range from 5000 to 7000 colones. Ask us about the schedule of classes for these studios. Both Bikram and Ashtanga/Power Yoga styles are offered.

Bikram (hot yoga)

This Yoga practice is 90 minutes long and takes place in a studio with a heater!!! No prior experience is necessary to try this as the instruction is very specific and clear. It has many benefits and a huge following. Check it out!

Ashtanga/Power Yoga

Downward dog anyone? This style of yoga can be enjoyed outdoors or indoors and has everything for the beginner to the advanced Yogi. Take advantage of Costa Rica's great climate and try yoga outside at night... its magical!

Private Yoga lesson

Have Yogi, will travel! If you would like a private lesson for you or a group of friends, let us know and we'll bring the Yogi to you! Choose the beach, under a Guanacaste tree, poolside or a terrace with great vistas as the venue for your Yoga class. Remember, we want your vacation experience here with us to be memorable, so live out your dreams!

Personal Trainer

It's always easier to maintain your fitness level than it is to get it back! For those who don't want to pack on the pounds while vacationing, then we can arrange for a personal trainer to customize a workout and keep you looking and feeling great! Change up your usual gym workouts by heading to the hills and the beaches. Take in a little nature while you sweat it out! We have great English speaking trainers, so ask us today about getting your workouts organized.

Private Chef Services

Nothing screams vacation better than these 2 words "No cooking!" Restaurants are great but there is something so convenient and luxurious about having gourmet meals, made in the privacy and comfort of your residence! Our private chefs have Gourmet menus to choose from, but ultimately they love to cook your favorites. With a "drop-off" meal option for everything from breakfasts to boxed lunches when you are on the go, to an array of appetizers to 5 course dinners and BBQ's, they can do it all. Mom, your vacation experience suddenly became a whole lot more fun! Ask us for Chef's menu options today... we almost forgot our chef can do an amazing meal with your catch of the day! Yummy... sushi!

Babysitting/ Nanny Service

For many parents, downtime can be defined by the romantic moments we spend AWAY from our little "darlings" while on vacation. Give yourselves a break; head out on the town for a couple of hours with the comfort of knowing that your children are safely snuggled in their beds with one of our babysitters present, carefully

watching over them.

We can also organize a nanny for families with small children who still want to be active during the day and not hindered by nap times and feeding schedules.

Personal Shopper

Before you arrive or during your stay, Costa Rica Dream Makers is happy to stock your fridge, cupboards and condo with all of your favorites! We want to optimize your time and your vacation experience! You send us a list of your favorites and we'll make sure their waiting for you!

Spanish Lessons

Weather your want to learn a few key phrases or become fluent in Spanish... Costa Rica is the place to immerse yourself in the language and culture. Costa Rica Dream Makers has partnered with a language school and a private linguist specialist who will come to you and give your private instruction at an eighth of what it would cost back home!

San Jose Shopping Trip

San Jose, the capital city of Costa Rica, is a large and somewhat intimidating city to tackle on your own. If you would like to visit it but would prefer a guide or driver to show you the way... of course, we can arrange



that. Depending on your agenda, you can visit a few of the larger shopping malls, have a great lunch or simply tour some of the historic buildings and plazas. Drive time to San Jose is approximately 1.5 hours each way so plan for a full day in the city!

Dental, Medical, Dermatology, and Cosmetic Surgery

In recent years Costa Rica has become a destination for many people to come for medical and dental procedures. Costa Rica Dream Makers has partnered with highly educated and skill professionals in Jaco and San Jose. We are here to refer you to the specialist we work with, please contact Costa Rica Dream Makers for additional information.

Event Planning

With backdrops that are this stunning and lush, it's easy to see why so many visitors choose this venue to host special events! Whether it's a wedding, anniversary, birthday party, corporate retreat or family reunion, we can coordinate and help you plan and execute each detail beautifully.

Need a little help pulling off the ultimate... wedding proposal, birthday celebration, or romantic evening?

Costa Rica Dream Makers is here for you. Recently we assisted Ryan with his big day. They began the day on a 38' luxury yacht, where they sailed to Tortuga Island. Ryan and his girlfriend sailed to shore... while strolling along the pristine white sand beaches Ryan kneeled on one knee and asked for her hand in marriage (of course she said YES!!!). Meanwhile, the crew was cooking up a gourmet lunch to be served with champagne. The happy couple spent a few more hours on the beach then sailed back to Los Sueños. An few hours after returning to land we picked up the love birds and whisked them away to Villa Caletas for sunset cocktails then returned to Jaco for a romantic and private rooftop dinner! All that was missing was the fireworks... but it's just wasn't in Ryan's budget... oh but we tried!

Restaurant Guide One of the best amenities in our sleepy little beach town is the large variety of places that one can enjoy some

Pssst... just between us, we want to give you the insiders scoop on what we think are the top 8 restaurants to visit in the Jaco area.

1. Lemon Zest. If you are looking for fresh, local ingredients fused in a unique way by an American chef, you've found the place! Chef Richard Lemon loves creating a vast array of daily specials, sure to crank up your taste buds. An absolutely "made from scratch" mentality! You'll love it! No reservations required and they offer A/C dining!

Phone: 2643-2591

2. Graffiti Restro Cafe and Wine Bar.

One of Jaco's newest and possibly most unique restaurants, Graffiti Restro Cafe and Wine Bar is a knockout! This uniquely decorated fusion restaurant offers it all. The flavors of this restaurant are complex and layered, showcasing local ingredients from one of Jaco's most popular American chefs. You will enjoy a decident selection of wines from around the world in this eclectic, climate controled, intimate setting.

Phone: 2643-1708



is the large variety of places that one can enjoy some great grub! Everything from fresh seafood, to burgers, to Tacos, to Costa Rican Gallo Pinto, you'll find them all listed here.

3. Tsunami Sushi. Best sushi we've ever tasted! Super casual sushi bar with a cool vibe! Cervezas and Vino flow and the sushi dishes just keep coming! The crunch roll is a signature dish and if you've been out fishing, bring in your "catch" and the chef will prepare your own little slice of heaven! No reservations required.

Phone: 2643-3678

4. *El Poseidon*. One of the best tuna steaks in town! We love to bring guests here as they have a tasty seafood menu, super fresh! Great big generous portions and creamy mashed potatoes with grilled veggies that are served with most evening entrees! Very reasonably priced and sure to leave you "stuffed." No reservations required, just pop in! Open for breakfast, lunch or dinner. Phone: 2643-1642

5. El Hicaco Restaurant. This luxurious open air seafood restaurant is located directly on the edge of Jaco's beach. They are best known for thier All-You-Can-Eat Lobster Feast which includes drinks and live Calypso music, however the regular menu has seafood, meat and chicken options also. Eligant star filled nights can make this one of the most romantic dining experiences in Costa Rica. Reservations recommended.

Phone: 2643-3226



6. Hook Up Bar & Restaurant. Located in Los Sueños Resort and Marina this ocean side hang-out overlooks the 220 yachts in the private marina! They have Happy Hour from 4-6 daily where drinks are half price, but don't leave without ordering up a little Fish & Chips or their Cheese Bacon Burger! And by the way... calories don't count when you're on vacation! Phone: 2630-4444

7. Marriott Hotel Restaurant. Sundays should be synonymous with the word "Tranquilo". Downstairs in the beautiful oceanfront Marriott hotel you'll discover the perfect way to ease into a lazy Sunday. All your favorite breakfast foods from North America and Costa Rica are served up in a buffet style for your enjoyment. Sip champagne and orange juice or delicious Costa Rican coffee and begin your day the right way! Oh yeah!

8. Caliche's Wish Bone. Crazy name we know, but we recommend it anyway! Great for lunch or dinner, this bistro serves up quality meals every day! Our favorite here is the Tuna Poki which is Jasmine rice, seared tuna served rare, green onions and avocado tossed lightly in a soya based sauce. Make it spicy... or keep it mild! The chefs know how to turn up the heat if you're up for it! Great selection of seafood, chicken or beef, so something for everyone. Very reasonably priced and some of the better service in town!

Phone: 2643-3406

Okay so now you know our favorites, but there are still other great eateries to discover. ¡Buen Provecho!





2643-1635

Tsunami Sushi

RESTAURANTS

RESTAURANTS	
Al Fresco	2630-4272
Amancios Pizza	2643-2373
Arigato	2643-1947
Bambu	2630-4333
Café Del Mar	2643-1250
Cardumen	2637-8686
Dolce Vita Coffee	2630-4250
Dolce Vita	2630-4050
El Pelicano	2637-8910
El Bohio Grill	2643-3112
Greenroom	2643-4425
I Love Sushi	2643-3083
Juanita's	2643-7393
Jerah	8359-2067
KFC	4050-7000
La Perla	2643-3326
Lanterna	2630-4111
Los Amigos	2643-2961
Marea Baja	2643-3530
North End Pizzeria	2643-6543
Ohana Tapas and Bar	2643-2226
Papas & Burgers	2643-5251
Pizza Bar	2643-1559
Pizza Pata	2643-2643
Pizza Hut	2290-9595
Pura Vida Soda	8973-7779
Rioasis Pizzeria	2643-3354
Ridiculous Burgers	2643-1010
Rústico Soda	2643-2727
Subway	4031-9494
Sushi at Home	2643-1212
Soda Garabito	2643-2929
Sunrise Breakfast Place	2643-3361
Taco Bar	2643-0222

BAKERIES

Pachi's Pan	2643-1153
Panaderia Artesanal	2643-6413
Sabores Lejanos	2643-6413

CASINOS

Casino Cocal	2643-3067
Casino Jazz in Hotel Amapola	2643-2316
Croc's Casino	4001-5398

BARS/CLUBS

Black Marlin Club	8789-2727
Claritas Bar	2643-3327
Friki Tiki: Jaco Laguna	2643-3362
Holy Moly at Croc's	4001-5398
Jaco Blu	2643-4372
Le Loft Club	8623-2793
Man Cave Club	8834-0065
Orange Pub & Club	8318-7206
Oz Sports Bar	2643-2162
Rancho Bar Tangerie	2643-3157
Republik Club	8726-2849

ICE CREAM SHOPS

El Barco	2643-1119
La Paletería	2643-2202
Moyo	2643-1090
Pops Ice Cream	2643-1264



Part of the fun of traveling is communicating with the locals. Speaking Spanish is FUN, but will also make you look SMART in front of your friends and family! We dare you to give it a try. I've learned that Costa Rican's are extremely patient and truly want to help you learn the language... in return you can help them with their English!

Don't forget... Practice makes perfect!

Spanish 101

1. Saying hi

English	Spanish
Hi	Hola
Good morning	Buenos días
Good afternoon	Buenas tardes
Good evening/night	Buenas noches
How are you?	¿Cómo está usted?
Good bye	Adios
Pure Life(Super)	Pura Vida

2. Don't forget your manners

English	Spanish
Please	Por favor
Thank you	Gracias
No	No
Yes	Si
Apologies(sorry)	Perdon
With pleasure	Con mucho gusto
(kinda like You're Welcome)	

3. Feeling thirsty... Hungry???

English	Spanish
Breakfast	Desayuno
Lunch	Almuerzo
Dinner	Cena
The Bill please	La cuenta, por favor
Beer, please!	Una cerveza, por favor!
Food	Comida
Boca(like a small appetizer)	Воса
Wine, please red/white	Vino, por favor rojo/blanco





4. Money & Such

Spanish
¿Cuánto?
Muy caro
Más barato
Cajero automático
Efectivo
Tarjeta de crédito
Necesito menudo, por favor
¿Cuántos colones por dólar?
Mil colones
Cinco mil colones
Diez mil colones
Veinte mil colones

5. Random stuff

English	Spanish
Do you speak English?	¿Habla usted inglés?
Where is the bathroom?	¿Dónde esta el baño?
Left	Izquierda
Right	Derecha
Can you speak more slowly?	¿Podría hablar más despacio?
I need a taxi please	Necesito un taxi por favor
Laundry	Lavandería

6. Numbers, & days of the week

1	Uno
2	Dos
3	Tres
4	Cuatro
5	Cinco
6	Seis
7	Siete
8	Ocho
9	Nueve
10	Diez

Monday	Lunes
Tuesday	Martes
Wednesday	Miércoles
Thursday	Jueves
Friday	Viernes
Saturday	Sábado
Sunday	Domingo
Today	Hoy
Tomorrow	Mañana

Everything is just a phone call away...

If you need additional numbers please call our Costa Rica Dream Makers Team for assistance!

-					
	-	-	_	rta	 410
	ш		m	па	# 6

Emergency	911
Fire Department	118
Red Cross	128
Tourist Info	192
International	124
Operator	
Police	117
Bank BCR	2643-3334
Scotiabank	2643-7100
in Los Suenos	
Banco Nacional	2643-3072
Banco Popular	2643-1503
Visa International	0800-011-0030
American Express	0800-011-0184
Busses from Jaco	2643-3135
around Costa Rica	
Taxi Phone #'s	2643-2020
	2643-2121
	2643-3030

Lost/Stolen Credit Cards

Visa	0-800-011-0030
Mastercard	0-800-011-0184
American Express	2257-0155

Airport Phone #'s

Juan Santamaria	2443-2622
International Airport	
(San Jose)	
Tobias Bolanos	2232-2820
Airport (Pavas)	
Daniel Oduber	2668-1010
International (Liberia)	

Ferries

Puntarenas – Naranjo	2662-1069
Puntarenas – Paquera	2641-0515

Airlines #'s

American	2257-1266
Delta	2257-4141
Continental	2296-4911
United	2220-4844
American West	2290-5222
US Airways	2520-0693
Air Canada	2437-2626
TACA/LACSA	2290-2727
Copa	2222-6640

Embassies

Argentina	2234-6520
Canada	2242-4400
Germany	2232-5533
Switzerland	2232-8549
United Kingdom	2258-2025
United States	2220-3939

Hospital

Hospitals	
Quepos	2777-0922
Puntarenas	2663-0033
Children's Hospital	2222-0122
CIMA (private	2208-1000
hospital in Escazú,	
San José)	



Costa Rica Dream Makers

Main Office	Address: #12 El Jardin, Avenida Pastor Diaz, Playa Jaco
	Phone: +506 2643-1450
	Email: info@CostaRicaDreamMakers.com
After Hours Emergencies	+506 8871-1284

www.CostaRicaDreamMakers.com info@CostaRicaDreamMakers.com Office: +506 2643-1450