Pleasanton Chamber of Commerce presents...

Tropical Costa Rica



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9 Days ● 14 Meals: 8 Breakfasts, 6 Dinners

HIGHLIGHTS... San Jose, Coffee Plantation, Guanacaste, Monteverde Cloud Forest, Choice on Tour, Arenal Volcano, Lake Arenal Cruise, Cano Negro Refuge, Zarcero

ITINERARY AT A GLANCE

Day 1 Doubletree Cariari Hotel, San Jose
Days 2, 3 Nammbu Beachfront Bungalows, Guanacaste
Days 4, 5 El Establo, Monteverde

Days 6, 7 Mountain Paradise Hotel, Arenal
Day 8 Doubletree Cariari Hotel, San Jose

On some dates alternate hotels may be used.

Collette's Flagship: Collette's tours open the door to a world of amazing destinations. Marvel at must-see sights, sample regional cuisine, stay in centrally located hotels and connect with new and captivating cultures. These itineraries offer an inspiring and easy way to experience the world, where an expert guide takes care of all the details.

- Day 1: Saturday, January 21, 2023 San Jose, Costa Rica Tour Begins Your trip to Costa Rica opens in the colorful capital city of San Jose, the perfect place to relax and soak up the sights as your adventure begins.
- Day 2: Sunday, January 22, 2023 San Jose Coffee Plantation Guanacaste Welcome to the Central Valley. Begin with a tour of a local coffee plantation highlighting the history and cultivation of this driver of the Costa Rican economy. This afternoon, arrive in breathtaking Guanacaste, known for its fine sandy beaches. Settle in for a relaxing 2-night stay at your resort and take in the mesmerizing ocean views. (B, D)
- **Day 3: Monday, January 23, 2023 Guanacaste** Fun in the sun is in store today as you explore the nearby beaches, or simply relax by the pool and take advantage of your resort's lovely amenities. This afternoon, visit the delightful beach town of Samara, one of the top sunset spots in Costa Rica. Soak in the spectacular colors as the sun illuminates the natural landscape. (B, D)
- **Day 4: Tuesday, January 24, 2023 Guanacaste Monteverde** It's off to the secluded Monteverde Cloud Forest, a place you have to see to believe, where trees grow to heights of 100 feet! Set off on a nature walk through this spectacular ecosystem, where you're sure to encounter many incredible species of flora and fauna. Keep your eyes peeled and you may be lucky enough to spot the elusive quetzal! (*B*, *D*)
- Day 5: Wednesday, January 25, 2023 Monteverde It's your choice! Explore one of the world's largest butterfly gardens and a dazzling gallery containing more than 100 beautiful hummingbirds. Then, join an expert for a leisurely paced "Hanging Bridges" walking tour to gain a different perspective of the cloud forest's lush ecosystem **-OR-** take an exhilarating ride on one of the longest canopy zip line tours in Costa Rica. If you would like to do both the hanging bridges and the zip line tour, you may purchase the second as an option on tour. This evening, take part in an expert-led discussion about the migratory birds that flock to Costa Rica. (*B*, *D*)
- Day 6: Thursday, January 26, 2023 Monteverde Lake Arenal Cruise Arenal Uncover the importance of conservation in Costa Rica during a visit to a tree nursery. Learn about indigenous trees and Monteverde's reforestation efforts. Cross beautiful mountainous landscapes to Arenal, where spectacular views of the famous volcano await your discovery. Enjoy a delightful cruise on Lake Arenal, Costa Rica's largest and most important lake. Later, check in for another 2-night stay at a lodge overlooking the majestic Arenal Volcano. Get to know the Costa Rican culture this evening. Taste your way through a cooking demonstration featuring local ingredients. (*B*, *D*)
- Day 7: Friday, January 27, 2023 Arenal Cano Negro Arenal Embark on a Cano Negro guided riverboat trip in a covered canoe known as a panga. These 20,000 acres are home to the largest viewable collection of indigenous wildlife in all of Costa Rica. Go in search of caimans, river otters, sloths, monkeys, river turtles, exotic birds and rare butterflies. Later, return to Arenal for the chance to relax during an optional spa visit. (*B*)
- **Day 8: Saturday, January 28, 2023 Arenal Zarcero San Jose** Today, get a little whimsical as we journey to the charming town of Zarcero to explore its fanciful topiary garden. Continue to San Jose to see the treasures of the city on a panoramic tour. See the bustling Plaza de Cultura. This evening, bid farewell to paradise over a wonderful dinner with your fellow travelers. (*B, D*)
- **Day 9: Sunday, January 29, 2023 San Jose Tour Ends** Today you depart for home with fabulous memories of your Costa Rican adventure. (B)







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Included in Price: Round Trip Air from San Francisco Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges, Hotel Transfers **Not included in price:** Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$399 per person

* All Rates are Per Person and are subject to change, based on air inclusive package from SFO

IMPORTANT CONDITIONS: Your price is subject to increase prior to the time you make full payment. Your price is not subject to increase after you make full payment, except for charges resulting from increases in government-imposed taxes or fees. Once deposited, you have 7 days to send us written consumer consent or withdraw consent and receive a full refund. (See registration form for consent.)

PLEASE NOTE:

Book Now rates valid until Jul 21, 2022, valid on air inclusive packages only.

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity from date of return home. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

We want you to enjoy your tour with us; therefore, it is important that you know this tour is an adventure! You will view spectacular scenery while experiencing the culture and heritage of the region. We have selected small, comfortable hotels for their locations and they may be considered rustic.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To complete your tour, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing our airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at pre-scheduled times.

Most hotels/lodges utilized on this program consist of two floors with no elevators. All hotels have air conditioning.

Experience It! Monteverde Cloud Forest

Only four places in the world boast an ecosystem so unique that it produces a cloud forest, and Costa Rica is one of them. Situated high on a mountain, the Monteverde Cloud Forest is created by the forest's dry air combining with the humid, hot air of the rainforest. The result is a blanket of clouds that covers the forest, mimicking constant rainfall. This extremely wet environment has bred a diverse world of exotic flora and fauna. One of the cloud forest's most famous residents is the endangered, resplendent quetzal. This colorful bird sports a golden beak and a green-hooded head, tail feathers of gray, black, and white, and a vibrant scarlet breast. Highly elusive, quetzal sightings are rare, but absolutely unforgettable when attained.

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Optional 4 Days 3-Night Jungle Adventure Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$549.00 USD per person, double, land only

For more information on extensions and options for this tour visit https://gateway.gocollette.com/link/1088458

The overall activity level of this tour is a level 3. This means you're an on-the-go traveler. You don't want to miss a thing, so walking and standing for longer periods of time (1-2 hours) isn't a big deal. You can navigate hills and uneven ground, climb into various modes of transportation (tuk-tuk, cable car, Zodiac, etc.), and could possibly anticipate changes in elevation. You can expect some longer days balanced with free-time to recharge or set out on your own adventure.

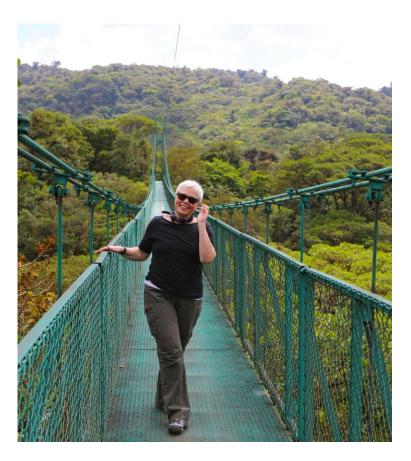
Please be advised many airlines do not provide advance seat assignments until check-in at the airport. Advance seating will be subject to the airline's terms and conditions.

Economy air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

A deposit of \$600 per person is due upon reservation. Reservations are made on a first come, first served basis. Reservations made after the deposit due date of July 14, 2022 are based upon availability. Final payment due by November 22, 2022. Deposits are refundable up until July 21, 2022.

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Available Options

Personalize your tour by adding an optional activity below. Our recommended options have been carefully chosen to help enhance your individual experience. Complete the provided Prepaid Options Form to reserve your options.

Availability is limited and reservations are on a first come, first serve basis. Payment must be received no later than 15 days prior to departure. Prices are subject to change.

Children under the age of 18 MUST be accompanied by an adult.

Monteverde Cloud Forest

SELLER

Canopy Adventure

\$75 USD

Experience the unique sensation of flying through nature! For nature lovers, the greatest adventure of it all is to take a Zip Line Canopy Adventure Tour. Selvatura Adventure Park and Canopy Tour is one of the best soft adventures in Costa Rica. Canopy Tour guides start by outfitting you with the appropriate equipment; then they take you through each of the 12 cables and 19 platforms and through the Tarzan Swing (optional). Selvatura Park is one of the longest Canopy Tours in Costa Rica, and is the only zip line canopy tour located inside the actual virgin cloud forest of Monteverde. Feel pure adrenaline and excitement of flying up to 35 miles per hour, viewing magnificent landscapes. Zip lines ranging from 120 to more than 2,000 feet in length and 60 to 400 feet in height let you experience the cloud forest from a whole new perspective. The tree top canopy tour not only offers a great adventure but also an opportunity to observe wildlife in its natural habitat. Trained personnel (accredited by the Costa Rican Institute of Tourism) accompanies you throughout the tour. If you are looking for a fun adventure and amazing rides, this canopy tour is your best choice. The tour usually takes between 2.5 and 3 hours and may be completed by people ranging between the ages of 8 and 99.

Suggestion: bring long pants, hiking shoes, camera, binoculars, insect repellent, and a raincoat. Please note: This option must be booked at least 30 days prior to departure; and is non-refundable within 15 days of departure. This adventure is NOT recommended for clients who have high blood pressure, back or heart problems or women who are pregnant. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours*. Please note a minimum of 2 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Arenal

Devas Spa Treatment- Mountain Paradise Hotel

\$160 USD

"What is good for the body is good for the soul." A well deserved spa visit provides a complete treatment experience to replenish your mind, body and soul. Indulge in supreme pampering and relaxation with a choice of one of several different, exhilarating spa service packages. Each package includes 3 different spa treatments from aromatherapy and mud massages to exfoliation and reflexology. Certified therapists will guide you to a state of complete relaxation as you enjoy unforgettable therapeutic facial and body treatments. Your choice of packages are:

Mountain Paradise Spa Package (105 minutes): Exfoliation, Volcanic Wrap, Volcanic Mask.

Arenal Charm Spa Package (80 minutes): Deep Tissue Massage, Reflexology, Volcanic Mask.

Back to Life Spa Package (105 minutes): Relaxing Massage, Reflexology, Facial. This option is available only to those guests who are staying at the Mountain Paradise Hotel. Exact treatment time will be scheduled while on tour. *Duration: Approximately 2 hours.* Please note a minimum of 1 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Monteverde Cloud Forest

Monteverde Hanging Bridges

\$75 USD

Explore the cloud forest reserve in the heart of Monteverde from up above as you walk among the treetops with a local expert. Venture into an enchanting, colorful world as your tour begins with exploring one of the world's largest butterfly gardens with more than 30 species of tropical butterflies. Next, be dazzled in a nearby gallery containing more than 100 beautiful hummingbirds. More than 14 species of hummingbirds will amaze you with their incredible aerial maneuvers and bright, lively colors. Then embark on a guided walking tour high above the forest floor on a leisurely paced "Hanging Bridges" tour and gain a different perspective of the cloud forest's unique ecosystem, its mammals, birds, plants and flora. Admire the forest floor bursting with natural wonders and wildlife, and take in the amazing vistas. Take advantage of this unique opportunity to get up close to the indigenous wildlife in their natural habitat as your local expert shares stories of this incredible landscape and the ecology of the cloud forest. *Duration: Approximately 2.5 hours.* Please note a minimum of 2 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Guanacaste



Mangrove Kayaking on the Ora River

\$50 USD

Branches reaching out into the swamp, creatures bustling through the undergrowth, and long-necked birds wading into the cloudy water. The mangroves of Costa Rica are not only essential to the larger ecosystem but also function as an ethereal waterway that will make you feel as if you've been transported to another world. Mangrove trees live in swamps where salt water meets fresh water, creating a flourishing home for a wide variety of animals. On your kayak, discover an intimate look at the local wildlife as you gently paddle six miles down the Ora River. Keep an eye out for playful monkeys and explorative iguanas scurrying up the trees. Follow your guide as you coast along the water, making your way along the winding river and taking in the nature all around you.

Availability is based on river or sea conditions and cannot be guaranteed. *Duration: Approximately 3 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.

Dolphin Watching & Snorkel Experience

\$60 USD

Get a different perspective of the Costa Rican wildlife when you venture into the natural habitat of a dolphin family. With a guide, get a firsthand look at these elegant creatures and watch as they play along the water's surface. Home to an abundance of animals, keep an eye out for other creatures as well. If you're lucky, you may even spot some whales or turtles! Afterwards, try your hand at fishing as you cast your line into the blue waters of the Pacific. You'll also get a chance to swim and snorkel in the warm waves along the coast, getting a closer look at the sea life.

Wildlife sightings are not guaranteed. Activity is dependent on ocean and weather conditions. *Duration: Approximately 4 hours.* Please note a minimum of 10 passengers is required. Transportation is included.



TRAVEL DATE: 1/21/2023 TERRITORY: WA

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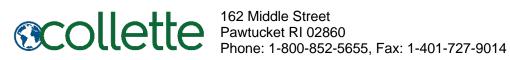
Clearly print your full name (first/middle/last) as it appears on your government issued travel documentation.

IMPORTANT: In order to avoid any unnecessary change fees, it is imperative that all guest names are entered correctly from the start. The information below must be the legal name and be 100% identical to the ID being used to travel passport/driver's license> including middle names or suffixes Jr, Sr>.

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AVAILABLE PREPAID OPTIONS

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✓	Option	Price Per Person (USD)
	Canopy Adventure Please note: This option must be booked at least 30 days prior to departure; and is non- refundable within 15 days of departure. This adventure is NOT recommended for clients who hav high blood pressure, back or heart problems or women who are pregnant.	75.00 ⁄/e
	Devas Spa Treatment- Mountain Paradise Hotel This option is available only to those guests who are staying at the Mountain Paradise Hotel. Exact treatment time will be scheduled while on tour.	160.00
	Monteverde Hanging Bridges	75.00
	Mangrove Kayaking on the Ora River Availability is based on river or sea conditions and cannot be guaranteed.	50.00
	Dolphin Watching & Snorkel Experience Wildlife sightings are not guaranteed. Activity is dependent on ocean and weather conditions.	60.00

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Optional 4 Days 3-Night Jungle Adventure Post Tour Extension

Rate: \$549.00 USD per person, double, land only 8 Meals: 3 Breakfasts, 3 Lunches, 2 Dinners

Day 9: San Jose - Tortuguero National Park

Enjoy an exciting soft-adventure jungle extension to Tortuguero, the Amazon of Costa Rica. Explore the region's wildlife by boat, viewing macaws, sloths, monkeys, falcons and other native species. Enjoy a memorable 2-night stay at your eco-lodge surrounded by the beauty of a tropical forest and amazing wildlife. Later, experience a spectacular boat cruise through the various canals and be sure to keep an eye out for wildlife including howler monkeys, sloths, toucans, aquatic birds, bats and caimans, as well as exotic flora. Tortuguero National Park is a study in rainforest, freshwater, and marine biology. It protects over 350 species of birds and mammals including green macaws; 57 species of amphibians; 111 species of reptiles; and 60 mammal species, including 13 of Costa Rica's 16 endangered species including jaguars, tapirs, ocelots, cougars, river otters and manatees. Today lunch and dinner will be included.

Day 10: Tortuguero National Park

An early morning bird watching excursion* is offered so you may learn about the variety of local species and migratory birds that flock to this area. Learn more about your surroundings with a visit to the world's first Sea Turtle Conservancy and discover how to protect the turtle's nesting habitat and eggs. *Today breakfast, lunch and dinner will be included.*

Day 11: Tortuguero National Park - San Jose

Return to San Jose for your last night in Costa Rica before your return home. Today breakfast and lunch will be included.

Day 12: San Jose - Tour Ends

Your tour comes to a close today. Today breakfast will be included.

Please Note:

Order of sightseeing is subject to change.

The transportation to and from Tortuguero, as well as your guide in Tortuguero, are provided by the lodge where you will be staying in Tortuguero. These services and sightseeing as specified in your itinerary will be provided by the personnel of the lodge in Tortuguero. This price includes meals as outlined; roundtrip transportation to Tortuguero; 2 nights at the Evergreen, Aninga or Pachira lodge, and 1 night in San Jose.

Extensions are subject to availability and applicable charges at time of request.

The hotel in Tortuguero does not offer air conditioning.

*Morning bird watching excursion is weather-dependent.

During your extension, your local guide will provide included sightseeing services and will be available via a local office at other times.

This extension is not a Collette exclusive program. There may be non-Collette passengers joining you on included features.

Due to luggage size and weight restrictions on the boats, please bring an overnight bag for the 2-night stay in Tortuguero National Park. Please make arrangements with the concierge's desk at the hotel in San Jose for luggage pick up and for storage until your return from Tortuguero.

We reserve the right to cancel this extension if a minimum of 4 passengers is not met to operate.

The overall activity level of this extension is a level 2. This means you feel confident walking at least 30-45 minutes at a time over a variety of terrains – from cobblestones streets to easy pathways; a couple of hills or a few flights of stairs.