



## Kid-friendly Ecotour to the Caribbean

Rain Forest, Chocolate, Rivers, Beaches, Wildlife, Culture!

Minimize time in the car and maximize fun with this simple, natural itinerary and a bilingual naturalist guide for 3 of the 8 days

### Day 1

#### Welcome to Costa Rica!

An ACTUAR driver will meet your flight and take you to a charming B&B in Alajuela.

#### Services included

Transfer to La Rosa de América  
Double room at La Rosa de América, including breakfast



### Day 2

#### To the Caribbean!

Your ACTUAR naturalist guide/driver will pick you up around 8 a.m. and take you through the mountains of Braulio Carrillo National Park and down to the Caribbean coast.

Once there, continue 4 kilometers into the hills to reach Casa Calateas, Have a tasty *campesino* lunch and get to know the people of the community by visiting some local farms. At sunset, walk to their observation platform, where you can see the mountains of La Amistad International Park stretching into Panamá. That evening, learn how to cook the delicious native fish and coconut stew, *rondón*.

#### Services included:

Bilingual naturalist guide/driver and expenses  
Double room at Casa Calatías, including breakfast  
Lunch and dinner at Casa Calatías  
Local guide  
Farm tour

### Day 3

#### **Look for monkeys, birds and iguanas in Cahuita National Park!**

Hike on a shady trail along the beach with your guide in Cahuita National Park, where you can see sloths, iguanas and monkeys. Have a delicious down home Caribbean lunch in the town of Cahuita. That afternoon, visit the Sloth Sanctuary north of Cahuita.

#### **Services included**

Breakfast at Casa Calateas  
Bilingual naturalist guide/driver and expenses  
Double room at Casa Calateas  
Lunch in Cahuita  
Dinner at Casa Calateas  
Entrances to Sloth Sanctuary

### Day 4

#### **See where chocolate comes from!**

Get up early and travel with your guide to the village of Bambú where you will meet the BriBri boatmen who will take you by dugout canoe to the isolated riverside village of Yorkín. Meet the villagers, and see how they process chocolate from their sacred tree, the *cacao*. Taste the fruit fresh from the pod, and see how it is dried, roasted and ground into hot chocolate.

The community of Yorkín raises *cacao* and bananas in harmony with nature in order to protect the huge number of migrating birds that touch down in this region. That afternoon, your guide will take you to a hotel near the beach. Say goodbye to your guide.

#### **Services included:**

Breakfast at Casa Calatías  
Bilingual naturalist guide/driver and expenses  
1-day Yorkin tour including lunch and snack  
Double room at Playa Chiquita Lodge

### Day 5

#### **Enjoy the beach!**

Have fun at Playa Chiquita or walk along the beach to beautiful Punta Uva

#### **Services included:**

Double room at Playa Chiquita Lodge including breakfast

### Day 6

#### **Another day at the beach!**

Enjoy the beach at Playa Chiquita. You could also visit the local animal rescue and rehabilitation center, or go in search of dolphins (optional).

#### **Services included**

Double room at Playa Chiquita Lodge including breakfast

### Day 7

#### **Your last morning at the beach.....**

Take the afternoon Interbus to San José and stay at Hotel Aranjuez.

**Services included:**

Double room at Hotel Aranjuez including breakfast  
Interbus from Playa Chiquita Lodge to Hotel Aranjuez

*Day 8*

**Come back soon!**

An ACTUAR driver will pick you up in time to get you to the airport 3 hours before your return flight..

**Services included:**

Transfer to airport 3 hours before your return flight.

NOTE: There is an exit tax of \$26 per person, payable at the airport before you check in. It can be paid in dollars, colones, a combination of the two, or with a debit card. It can also be paid with a credit card, but will be charged as a cash advance.

**To sign up for this tour, contact**

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*All of our ecotours can be customized to meet your interests, budget, and time frame.  
See next page for prices.*

## *Kid-Friendly Caribbean* Prices and Family Discounts

Minimum 2 adults	Price per person
In double occupancy	<b>\$1145</b>
In triple occupancy	<b>\$900</b>
In single room	<b>\$1292</b>
With one child 5-11/one child 0-4	<b>\$835/\$763</b>
With two children 5-11/two children 0-4	<b>\$679/\$572</b>

### *Discounts for more than four*

Let us know if there are more than four people in your party. The price per person will go down.

**Prices valid through November 30, 2012, EXCEPT for travel during Christmas and Easter weeks. Contact us for repricing during those weeks.**  
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### *Your private guide/driver: an incredible value*

**Kids love them:** Kids love our bilingual naturalist guide/drivers because of their friendly, fun-loving attitude, and parents love them because of their kindness and their ability to teach about all things Costa Rica!

**Peace of mind:** Your family will have a guide all to yourselves for as many days as you want during your tour, so you can avoid the hassles that come with traveling with large groups of strangers. Your guide knows the ins and outs of each destination, so you'll have the peace of mind of knowing that your family is safe and well-cared for.

**Hassle-free transportation:** Getting around can be tricky in Costa Rica, but it becomes fun and hassle-free with your private guide/driver. You can stop where you want, whenever you want, giving you more freedom to respond to needs and for off-the-beaten-path exploration.

**Flexibility:** If you and your spouse want to walk along the beach and the kids are not interested, your guide can take them back to the hotel and keep them safe and entertained.

**Personal connection:** Best of all, your guide is your personal connection not only to nature, but to the culture of the fascinating destination you are visiting. Our professional guides make our trips unforgettable!

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