



THE WILDLIFE OF TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK IN COSTA RICA

Located in the northeastern province of Limón, Tortuguero is a shining example of ecotourism in Costa Rica. Spanning 120 square miles and accessible only by boat or small airplane, the park is bound by 22 miles of Caribbean coastline. Inside its boundaries you'll find 11 different ecosystems. The park boasts a stunning array of flora and fauna; its most famous attraction is the nesting grounds of the endangered sea turtles. **Here, a few things Tortuguero National Park has to offer:**

BIRDS

Researchers have documented over **400 BIRD SPECIES** within the Tortuguero Conservation Area, including a number of neotropical migratory birds found only at certain times of year.

MAMMALS

Over **150 DIFFERENT SPECIES OF MAMMALS** have been found in Tortuguero National Park. Some are best spotted while hiking through the forest, while others are commonly seen in the canals and the sea.

AMPHIBIANS & REPTILES

Tortuguero National Park is home to nearly **50 SPECIES OF AMPHIBIANS** and over **30 KINDS OF REPTILES**. You'll see a kaleidoscope of colors, that easily rival Costa Rica's birds.



PINK ROSEATE SPOONBILL



CHESTNUT-MANDBILED TOUCAN



WHITE-HEADED CAPUCHIN



THREE-TOED SLOTHS



STRAWBERRY POISON-DART FROG



GREEN BASILISK



SEA TURTLES

If you get the chance to spend a night in Tortuguero National Park during sea turtle nesting season, don't miss a chance to take a beach walk with a licensed guide. The park is home to the largest green sea turtle rookery in the Western Hemisphere, as well as important nesting populations of leatherback and hawksbill sea turtles.

