

## IMPACT & INSPIRE YOUR STUDENTS

### All-Inclusive Educational Tour

- ◆ All Admissions and Excursions
- ◆ All Meals on Tour
- ◆ Quality Hotel Accommodations
- ◆ Round Trip Air Transportation
- ◆ Quality Ground Transportation
- ◆ Licensed Tour Guides
- ◆ Travel Insurance Provided by Insurance Services of America
- ◆ All Gratuities
- ◆ EZPay Payment Installments

### Day 1

Evening arrival in San Jose. Meet and greet with your licensed tour guide at Juan Santa Maria International Airport (SJO) and transfer to your hotel.

### Day 2

Breakfast at hotel and brush up your Spanish this morning as you learn useful day-to-day words and colloquialisms that will come in handy during your trip.

Take a morning journey to the Caribbean, driving through the rainforest with spectacular vistas.

Visit a Banana plantation en route for an educational tour.

A boat transfer will take your group through the jungle river canals. Your guide will educate your group about the delicate eco-system, wildlife and natural vegetation. Enjoy your evening on the Caribbean coast.

### Day 3

After breakfast, take a boat tour to spot wildlife, including sea turtles, manatees, crocodiles, macaws, toucans, sloths, and monkeys.

Prepare for an afternoon of service learning work at the local turtle conservation. The staff will train your group for projects that support the efforts to protect the habitat of the turtles that have been coming to nest on these beaches for millennia.

### Day 4

Enjoy a boat journey back to the dock and continue to La Fortuna, home of the Arenal volcano, which is one of the country's most recognized natural features. It's volcanic cone strikes an imposing figure on the landscape that is surrounded by pastured, green hill-sides.

En route, take up a paddle on a rafting tour of the Sarapiquí River with lunch.

At dinner, enjoy local cuisine followed by a lesson about local crafts and customs.

### Costa Rica



**Day 1** Arrive San Jose, Costa Rica

**Day 2** Caribbean Coast

**Day 3** Pacuare Reserve

**Day 4** Arenal

**Day 5** Arenal

**Day 6** Pacific Coast

**Day 7** Manuel Antonio National Park

**Day 8** San Jose, Departure

#### Day 5

This morning you'll visit a cacao plantation as you learn about the cacao tree and the process of making chocolate from its seeds. It's a delicious lesson in agricultural production and economics.

In the afternoon, visit the Arenal Volcano Lookout Point and learn about how it has shaped the lives and economy of the surrounding community.

Get an areal view in the afternoon with a zip line tour through the canopy or a tour along the hanging bridges.

In the evening, relax as you enjoy the local hot springs.

#### Day 6

Wake up for a nature walk in the cloud forest led by an expert naturalist. You will be welcomed at a private cattle and horse ranch where you will learn about the importance of livestock and oxen to Costa Rica's development.

Enjoy an authentic culinary experience as local cooks teach you their secrets to making the best traditional Latin American dishes such as tamales, empanadas, and tortillas.

Travel on to the Pacific Coast and enjoy the evening at your hotel near the ocean.

#### Day 7

Today will include a full day visit to Manuel Antonio National Park. This park encompasses rugged rainforest, white-sand beaches, and coral reefs.

It's renowned for its vast diversity of tropical plants and wildlife, including three-toed sloths, endangered white-faced capuchin monkeys, and hundreds of bird species.

Tonight, enjoy a farewell dinner followed by traditional Latin music and dancing, including Merengue, Salsa and Cumbia

#### Day 8

Your private transfer through Costa Rica will take you through landscapes as you head back to San Jose.

Check-in at Juan Santa Maria International Airport (SJO) for your return flight.

An airport coordinator will meet your group when you arrive to home airport for family pick-up.