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BOUTIQUE LUXURY TRAVEL

BY BEST OF COSTA RICA

# 8 NIGHT

SAMPLE ITINERARY

## Travel Dates

March 1st 2024 to November 30th 2024

## Accommodation

San José | Grano de Oro  
Pacuare River | Pacuare Lodge  
Arenal Volcano | Tabacón Thermal Resort and Spa  
Uvita Beach | Golden Pineapple Villas

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### ACTIVITY SUMMARY

#### Day One | San José

Private transfer from the International Airport to San José or transfer to the airport vehicle rental office

One night accommodation at Hotel Grano de Oro

#### Day Two | Pacuare River

Pacuare Lodge

Three days and two nights in a Garden Suite

River edge dining

#### Day Three

Private hike to the Cabecar Indian Reserve

#### Day Four | Siquirres

Private transfer from Siquirres to Arenal or vehicle pick up

Accommodation at Tabacón Thermal Resort and Spa

Special dinner

#### Day Five

Private sunset bird watching boat tour

Lunch in la Fortuna Town with round trip transfer

Private 1968 Trail hike to Eco Termales

Swedish massage

#### Day Six | Uvita Beach

Private transfer from Arenal to Uvita

Accommodation at Golden Pineapple Villas

Special dinner

#### Day Seven

Marino Ballena Park private tour

#### Day Eight

Day at leisure in Uvita

#### Day Nine

Private transfer from Uvita to San José or vehicle drop off at the airport car rental office





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### DAY ONE

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#### **Juan Santamaría to San José** | Private Transfer

Upon your arrival at the airport, our representative will extend a warm welcome and ensure your seamless transportation to the sanctuary of your luxurious accommodation. Once in the capital city you can visit the theaters, museums, and beautiful parks or simply enjoy a cup of Costa Rican coffee while watching the daily life of the "Ticos".

#### **Grano de Oro** | ★★★★★

Nestled in the heart of San José, Hotel Grano de Oro stands as a beacon of luxury, offering discerning travelers an opulent retreat amidst the vibrant tapestry of the city. Its esteemed location affords guests the exclusive opportunity to immerse themselves in the rich cultural heritage of San José's museums and the enchanting environs. Renowned for curating a serene and sumptuous sojourn, the hotel beckons a loyal clientele who return annually to bask in its refined hospitality. To elevate the guest experience to the pinnacle of indulgence, Hotel Grano de Oro boasts an array of exquisite amenities including a tranquil jacuzzi, a state-of-the-art fitness center, an elegant bar and a distinguished gourmet restaurant where epicurean delights await to tantalize your palate.

**Room Category** | Garden Suite

**Inclusions** | Breakfast

#### **Grano de Oro** | Dinner





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### DAY TWO

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#### Private Transport to Turrialba

Depart in the morning after enjoying a delicious Costa Rican breakfast en route. After arriving in Linda Vista at the Pacuare River by raft you will continue with an exciting whitewater river adventure. Upon arrival at the lodge and having lunch you can walk along the quiet paths, relax in your room or enjoy one of the activities that are included in the package.

**Inclusions** | Dinner

#### Pacuare Lodge | ★★★★★

Pacuare Lodge is an eco-friendly luxury lodge located in close proximity to the world's most scenic whitewater wonderland, Costa Rica's Pacuare River. This unparalleled location offers a scenic backdrop for adventure, romance and wellness. All suites and villas are simple, refined and elegant. The rooms have large open areas to enjoy the natural environment with fountains and spring-fed pools, spacious terraces, hammocks and comfortable lounges.

**Room Category** | Pacuare Garden Suite

**Inclusions** | Transport • Tours • Full Board

#### Pacuare Lodge | River Edge Dining





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### DAY THREE

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#### **Cabécar Indian Reserve** | Private Hiking Tour

Immerse yourself in the authentic indigenous culture of Costa Rica. Nestled within the Talamanca Mountains, the Cabécar community, the most populous indigenous group in the region, preserves a rich tapestry of ancestral customs and beliefs. The journey to engage with the familial clans presents a formidable challenge, attributed to the rugged terrain of the pathways. Yet, it is this very journey that unveils the myriad enigmas of the forest. Engage directly with the ecosystem and traverse the ancient trails that have been a part of the Cabécar heritage for generations. Following an enriching encounter with a Cabécar family our expedition will proceed by descending to the lodge.

**Duration** | 5 Hours

**Difficulty** | High Intensity

**What To Bring** | Hiking Shoes • Raincoat • Sunscreen • Hat





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### DAY FOUR

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#### **Private Transport from Siquirres to Arenal** | Or Vehicle Pick Up

Commence your journey to La Fortuna, home to one of the country's most magnificent natural marvels. While the Arenal Volcano no longer displays lava eruptions, the sight of smoke and ash billowing from its apex remains a captivating phenomenon. The region surrounding the Arenal Volcano is renowned for its stunning vistas, therapeutic hot springs, and the serene Lake Arenal. As you venture through this area, you will encounter a diverse tableau of agricultural estates, decorative flora and pastoral cattle ranches.

#### **Tabacón Thermal Resort and Spa** | ★★★★★

Tabacón Thermal Resort and Spa, an adults only retreat, is located in the heart of the tropical rain forest at the majestic Arenal Volcano. It is a mystical place where guests can escape from the daily routine to experience wellness and nature. Spa treatments are performed outdoors in bungalows nestled among the trees while the rooms and suites feature modern furnishings and garden views. There is a pool bar, lobby bar and restaurants serving international gourmet cuisine and local food. Guests of the Tabacón Hotel will receive complimentary access to the naturally hot thermals during their stay and exclusive access to Shangri-La Gardens.

**Room Category** | Rain Forest Room

**Inclusions** | Breakfast

#### **Special Meal**

Includes a glass of wine.





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### DAY FIVE

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#### **Sunset Bird Watching** | Private Boat Tour

Constructed in 1974 to harness hydroelectric power for the nation, Lake Arenal stands as Costa Rica's most expansive lake. We invite you to partake in an exceptional ornithological experience, showcasing a splendid array of tropical avifauna, including toucans, parrots, oropendolas, tanagers, parakeets, royal flycatchers, white-fronted nunbirds, cinnamon woodpeckers, herons, among others. This two-hour aquatic sojourn commences at the dam, culminating in breathtaking panoramic vistas of the volcano.

**Duration** | 3 hours

**Difficulty Level** | Easy

**What To Bring** | Long Pants • T-Shirt • Hiking Shoes • Sunscreen • Insect Repellent • Camera • Binoculars • Raincoat

**Inclusions** | Transportation • Guide • Water • Snacks

#### **Lunch at Del Mercado** | Private Transfer to Fortuna

Enjoy a delicious lunch at Del Mercado at Restaurante Don Rufino. Beverages are included.

#### **1968 Trail** | Private Hiking Tour

Find out all about the natural and geological history of the Arenal Volcano while walking along a path of solid lava and enjoying excellent views of the lake. Journey afterwards to the Eco Termales Fortuna Hot Springs Spa to relax in a variety of differing temperature mineral water pools. We recommend trying the hot water pools before entering the cooler pools, which can be repeated as many times as you wish. Eco Termales is a wonderfully authentic environment offering privacy and tranquility within the Costa Rican rain forest.

**Depart Time** | 3:00pm

**Duration** | 4 Hours

**Difficulty** | Moderate

**Inclusions** | Transportation • Tour Guide • Entrance Fee • Dinner • Snacks • Water

#### **Swedish Massage**

Complimentary. 50 minutes.





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### DAY SIX

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#### **Private Transport to Uvita**

Uvita de Osa is a small town in southern Costa Rica, on a section of coastline known as the Bahía Ballena located near the Cola de Ballena (Whale's Tail) beach, described as one of the world's most beautiful beaches. From September to the end of November, Humpback whales travel past this scenic area on their journey from North America to our South Pacific Coasts.

#### **Golden Pineapple Villas | Boutique**

Let your senses awaken and experience Costa Rica in an innovative way. Indulge in modern luxury within this spectacular natural setting. The level of service provided at this exclusive, adults only, boutique hotel will create a constant state of bliss. Immerse yourself in the sights and sounds of this private 14 acre jungle oasis, just minutes from the Uvita beach. The surrounding area offers a diverse and extensive range of activities to enjoy or simply unwind in the comfort of your private infinity pool. At Golden Pineapple Villas, your only priority will be to relax, enjoy the views and indulge in luxury.

**Room Category** | Water Villa

**Inclusions** | Transport • Tours • Full Board

#### **Special Dinner**







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#### **Marino Ballena Park** | Private Hiking Tour

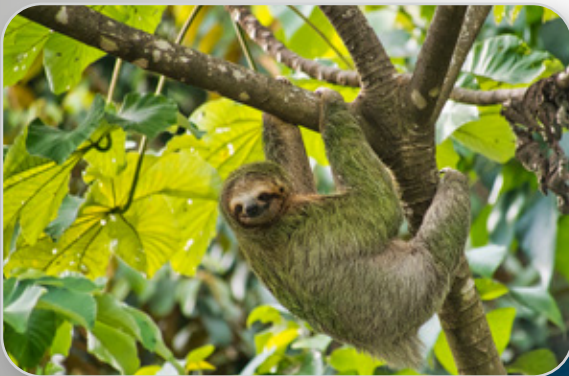
Ballena National Marine Park located in Bahia Ballena, Uvita is home to one of the most biologically diverse marine habitats in Costa Rica and one of the best places in the world for whale watching. From mid-July to the end of October is the best time to observe the majestic Humpback whales as they migrate from Antarctica to Marino Ballena National Park in Costa Rica to breed and raise their calves.

From late December to late February Humpback whales pass by Costa Rica as they migrate from the California and Washington state area. On a lucky day you can listen to the love songs of the whales and feel the great sensation of watching a mammal that weighs over 40 tons jump out of the water and splash the surface with its gigantic tail.

**Duration** | 2.5 Hours

**Difficulty** | Easy

**What To Bring** | Sunscreen • Water • Light Clothing • Bathing Suit • Towel • Sandals





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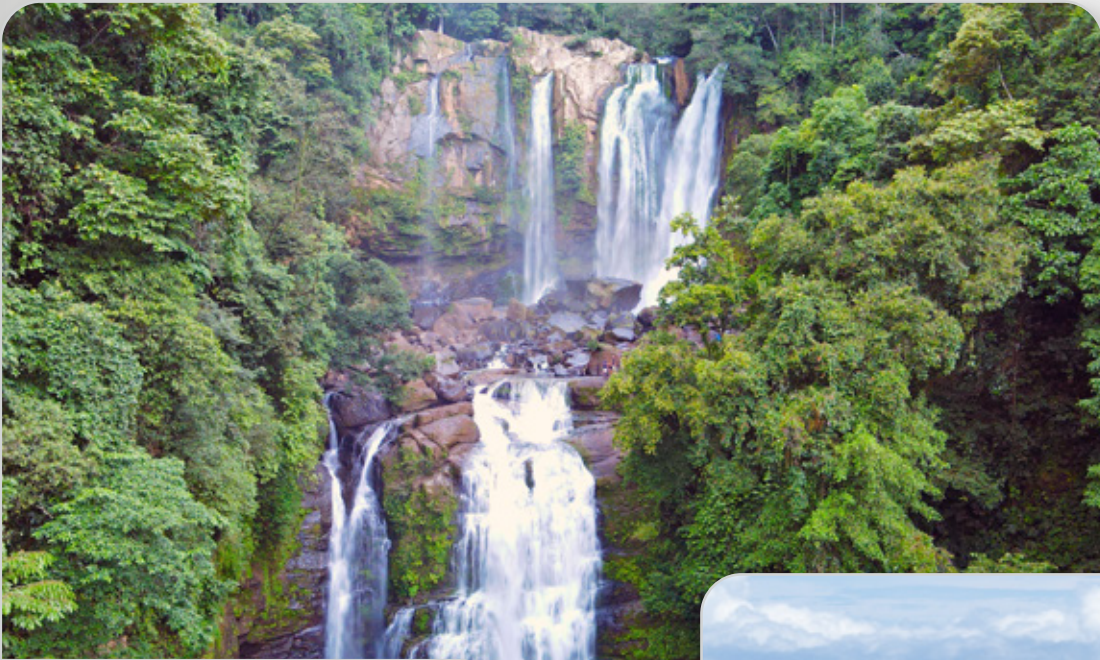
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## DAY EIGHT

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 **Uvita** | Day Of Leisure

Optional tours available.





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### DAY NINE

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 **Uvita to San José** | Private Transfer

Enjoy a beautiful luxury vehicle transfer back to the capital of San José before checking in at the International Airport. If you chose to drive back to the airport, a shuttle can take you to the main terminal from the rental drop off area.





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### PRICING

#### Private Transfer

Time Period	Single	Double	Extra Child
March 1 <sup>st</sup> to April 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$9,074	\$5,950	\$2,073
July 1 <sup>st</sup> to August 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$8,587	\$5,707	\$2,073
May 1 <sup>st</sup> to June 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$8,358	\$5,451	\$1,962
September 1 <sup>st</sup> to October 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$8,142	\$5,343	\$1,962
November 1 <sup>st</sup> to November 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$8,481	\$5,461	\$1,962

#### Luxury Vehicle Rental

Time Period	Single	Double	Extra Child
March 1 <sup>st</sup> to April 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$8,449	\$5,637	\$2,074
July 1 <sup>st</sup> to August 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$7,962	\$5,395	\$2,074
May 1 <sup>st</sup> to June 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$7,732	\$5,139	\$1,962
September 1 <sup>st</sup> to October 31 <sup>st</sup>	\$7,518	\$5,031	\$1,962
November 1 <sup>st</sup> to November 30 <sup>th</sup>	\$7,856	\$5,149	\$1,962

Non-commissionable net rates in \$USD • Children are considered up to 10 years • Rates are per person based on occupancy type and the indicated number of passengers • As this is a quotation, no reservations or blocks have been made, so the rates are subject to availability until the reservation is confirmed • Double rooms have one or two beds, and triple rooms have a maximum of 2 beds per room, so passengers must share the bed (we do not guarantee two beds in double rooms).



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## INFORMATION

### Exclusions

- Any activities not indicated in the program
- Any meals not indicated in the program
- Tipping
- Rental car insurance
- Christmas and New Year's dinners

### Vehicle Rental Requirements

- Valid driver's license
- Foreign licenses are valid in Costa Rica for 90 days from the date of entry
- Minimum driver age is 23 years old
- The driver must carry a valid driver's license from their country of origin
- The driver must have a valid passport
- The driver must have an active credit card

### What To Bring

- Passport valid for at least 6 months
- Sunscreen and insect repellent
- Comfortable clothing
- Waterproof and lightweight hiking boots, river sandals and a pair of sneakers
- Poncho, waterproof jacket and umbrella
- Hat, visor, cap and sunglasses
- Reusable water bottle
- US chargers and adapters
- Medications
- Small backpack