

# COSTA RICA CARIBBEAN GETAWAY

7 day - Puerto Viejo and Tortuguero Circuit



# TRIP OVERVIEW

It's all about living that Pura Vida life while in Costa Rica! Join us as we explore the Caribbean side of the country, an unique multicultural region with so much to offer and still with many unexplored areas.

Through this journey you will be intrigued by the mystery and beauty of black sand beaches, and just steps away, relax in one of the paradisiac white sand and blue waters. Enjoy cooking? how about a Caribbean cooking lesson hosted by a local chef.

Snorkel in the largest fringing reef at the Cahuita National Park and enjoy nature walks in the rainforest, canoe through the amazing Tortuguero National Park river canals and have the opportunity of a life time experiencing the turtle nesting season in Tortuguero!

This trip will be an unforgettable experience.



# **ABOUT OUR COMPANY**

Led and founded by Priscilla Alvarado Taylor, one of Costa Rica's most recognized and experienced Tour Directors, New Pearl Travel, was created to offer a unique experience to its customers.

Our tours are focused in nature & wildlife, with lots of emphasis on adventure; we offer a real local experience and share some of the country gems that very few have discovered, making your trip a one of a kind.

Throughout the tour, you will learn about conservation and its importance to the world; you will also have the opportunity to connect with the people, their culture and learn about their journeys as you reflect about your own.

With over 20 years in the business we pride ourselves in saying that we understand the travelers expectations and needs, our passion towards our country makes us want to deliver to our customers one of the best experience of their lifetime. We don't want to be just another trip, we want to create something memorable.

Join us in one of our tours and we promise to make your trip to Costa Rica one for the books.



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### ITINERARY & DETAILS

This document aims to give you all the information on all the aspects of our tour; it includes important information such as activities included, transportation details, pricing and hotels. If you should have any additional question on topics no covered in the dossier, please reach out to us and we will be happy to assist you.

Your included meal guide: B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner

#### Day 1: Welcome to Paradise - Arrival

On arrival (Airport: SJO), you will be met and transferred to your hotel where you can enjoy the rest of the day an leisure to relax or explore a few of the landmarks in the capital city of Costa Rica,, San Jose.

#### Day 2: Fun Beach Day at Puerto Viejo (B)

Today we are heading to the Caribbean coast, our journey starts early by driving through the Braulio Carrillo National Park where you will enjoy its incredible scenery of lush tropical forest, rivers and small waterfalls along the way, stopping and taking pictures is definitely a must.

We will stop and have lunch where you will have the opportunity to get a first glimpse of the Costa Rican cuisine.

Upon arrival, you will be assisted with the hotel check-in process and have a free afternoon to check out some of the iconic beaches in the area. A group beach tour is an option, but only if you are in the mood for it, remember, this day is about relaxing and enjoying,

At night, you will find that Puerto Viejo town has numerous dinner options that we are sure will not disappoint and once you are done, we encourage you to take a walk around its downtown, enjoy some drinks, vibe to the

music and embrace the local ambience.

Relax and set free, this is our first night together and we have to celebrate it!

#### Day 3: Discover Cahuita National Park (B)

Today, the road takes us to Cahuita National Park for snorkeling (weather permitted).

In the afternoon, you will have free time to walk around the town and grab lunch at one of the many delicious restaurant options, and with Cahuita being the mecca of the Caribbean food you are sure to have a culinary experience.

After lunch we will go for a walk in the rainforest where we may come across monkeys, sloths, birds, and learn about the ecosystem.

Before sunset, we will head back to the hotel in Puerto Viejo and give you some more free time to explore the local shops in town. Just by walking around the town you can see how rich the culture is, this town is a pothole of many cultures, immigrants from all over the world (Europeans in its majority) living in harmony with the locals who are mainly afrodescendants and indigenous.

Also, Puerto Viejo is well known for its artisans and their beautiful crafts, make sure you visit some of their booths.

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#### Day 4: Heading to Tortuguero (B)

Today we are departing early from Puerto Viejo and heading to the Port of Moin where our private boat will be awaiting!

This is one of the most beautiful boat rides you will ever experience, we will travel along a major wetland formed by different rivers and lagoons. Through the journey, you will have the opportunity to see more of Costa Rica's wildlife, crocodiles, monkeys, iguanas and different species of birds, will captivate your eyes as we navigate the river.

Once we arrive to Tortuguero, we will check-in to the most iconic hotel and landmark in the village the "Miss Junie Lodge" owned by one of the first settlers of the community;

In the afternoon we will walk around the village and learn about its history, and as the sun sets we will head over to our cooking lesson hosted by a local chef, where you will get the chance to prepare and taste some of the most traditional Caribbean dishes.

At night we will have the Turtle Night Tour at the Tortuguero National Park, this is a very special event as the park is one of the most important Green Turtle nesting sites in the world and nesting only happens during a couple months of the year which makes this a once in a life time experience.

#### Day 5: Tortuguero Canals (B)

Get ready to paddle! Today we enjoy a canoe tour where we will explore the famous canals of the Tortuguero National Park, searching for as much wildlife as possible and enjoying the aquatic trails., this tour is led by one of the most experienced guides in the village.

In the afternoon, get ready for a 500 steps uphill hike to Tortuguero Hill! Some calls this "the hike to heaven", and I would agree, this extinct volcano offers one of the most amazing views from its top, where you can see both the Caribbean sea and the river canals forming a special wetland and you can see a display of the magnificent vegetation that surrounds it.

After a very active day, I'm sure you you will need some leisure time, we invite you to take it easy at the hotel pool or lay in a hammock reflecting on the amazing day it was.

#### Day 6: Its hard to Say Goodbye (B)

It has been a fantastic week but unfortunately all good things must come to an end, today we are heading back to where it all started.

We'll take a boat ride to the city of La Pavona., there our bus driver will pick us up and take us back to San Jose.

On our way to the capital city, we will stop at a Banana Plantations where you will learn about

the history behind the massive industry, how it was key to the development of the country and its economic relevance as one of the main export crops in Costa Rica.

We will stop for lunch on the road, and get to San Jose in time for you to settle in the hotel room and rest before our farewell dinner where for the last time we will share the best memories and anecdotes of the trip..

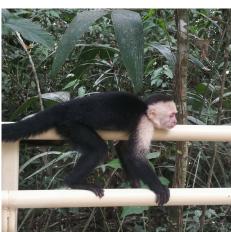
#### Day 7: Departure Day (B)

Your transfer to the airport will be arranged according to your flight's departure time. For those of you who have a late flight and are interested on doing some extra activities before leaving we can help you arrange a nice, close distance tour.

We wont say goodbye, we will say see you soon and Pura Vida, Siempre!









# ► PRICE AND INCLUSIONS FOR THIS TOUR



\$1,200 USD/\$350 Deposit

Double occupancy



\$1,175 USD/\$350 Deposit

Single occupancy

#### INCLUDED IN THIS TOUR

- ✓ All accommodation & breakfasts
- ✓ All tours as specified in the itinerary
- ✓ All transfers & transportation
- ✓ All national park entrance fees
- ✓ Farewell Dinner
- ✓ 24 hour emergency assistance

#### NOT INCLUDED IN THIS TOUR

- **x** International flights
- **✗** Lunch & Dinners
- **✗** Travel insurance to cover any medical treatment
- **✗** Required COVID testing to enter/exit the country
- **X** Discretionary gratuities to drivers and guides.





# **ACCOMMODATION DETAILS**



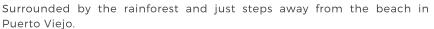
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#### **ROOM TYPE: STANDARD**

Located in San Jose, at walking distance to the city landmarks and main attractions as well as renowned restaurants and shops.

- Rooms: AC, private bathroom, hot water, security box, coffee, tv
- Facilities: Swimming pool, restaurant, bar, WIFI.

# BUGABUTIK HOTEL ★ ★ ★



- Rooms: AC, private bathroom, hot water, security box, terrace
- Facilities:: Swimming pool, restaurant, bar, WIFI





# MISS JUNIE LODGE ★ ★ ★

#### ROOM TYPE: STANDARD

Waterfront ecolodge hotel, owned by the founders of Tortuguero village. Perfect location at walking distance from main attractions.

- Rooms: Ceiling fan, private bathroom, hot water, security box.
- Facilities:: Swimming pool, restaurant, bar, WIFI.

