

Costa Rica Private Journey

ADVENTURING IN NATURE'S PLAYGROUND



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WHEN TO GO

January to December

For our Private Journey trips, you choose your own group and your preferred dates—there are no set departure dates. Private Journeys are available to groups as few as two people or as large as you like. While many guests choose to book this tour exactly as is, our Area Specialists can work with you to customize it to your wishes. Contact us for availability, questions, or to book your adventure!

With its natural bounty of rainforest lagoons, towering volcanoes, and long, palm-fringed beaches, Costa Rica is a paradise for nature lovers. Almost 20 percent of the country is protected in national parks or nature reserves that are prime examples of Costa Rican ecosystems, including deciduous tropical forests, mangrove swamps, rainforests, cloud forests, and wetlands. On this Private Journey, you can hike, mountain bike, explore a tropical rainforest, and paddle by sea kayak in azure Pacific waters, all with expert naturalist guides at your side. Your journey includes mountainous Arenal Volcano National Park, the waterways of Tortuguero National Park on the Caribbean Coast, and Manuel Antonio National Park on the sparkling Pacific. We also offer an extension to world-famous Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve, one of the outstanding nature reserves in the New World tropics, and an optional day of whitewater rafting on the wild Pacuare River.

Itinerary

Note: You will have a private guide with you from Days 2-5, and a local guide on Day 6. Hotels and lodges are subject to change based on availability.

DAY 1

SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA / GRANO DE ORO

On arrival at the San Jose airport, you are met for a transfer to the hotel Grano de Oro, located on a shady street just off Paseo Colon, San Jose's main thoroughfare...Meals on your own

DAY 2

ARENAL VOLCANO HIGHLANDS

A private transfer from the hotel brings you from the capital up to the scenic environment of Arenal Volcano National Park. The drive takes approximately 3.5 hours. The centerpiece of the park is majestic Arenal, a perfect cone emerging 5,300 feet from gentle green hills.

From your mountain lodge, you can choose from several afternoon activities. Hike or mountain bike on one of the mountain trails in Arenal Volcano National Park, with extraordinary views (clouds permitting) of Arenal's symmetrical cone. The most popular option is to walk on a series of spectacular hanging bridges that give access to the high rainforest canopy—a great way to enter the world of towering, orchid-draped trees in a 600-acre primary forest reserve. The views of Arenal are particularly striking from these bridges. (Please let us know which option you prefer so we can reserve it for you in advance.) Enjoy an evening soak in a private natural thermal spring and view Arenal Volcano from your balcony at The Lost Iguana Resort, nestled among 100 acres of rainforest overlooking the mountain, or upgrade to Nayara Gardens, a rainforest retreat...BD

DAY 3

TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK

A beautiful 4-hour country drive brings you across Costa Rica's lush countryside, passing through villages, small farms, and banana and coffee plantations. Arriving at the dock in Caño Blanco, journey by boat with your Tortuguero guide to the lovely Tortuga Lodge, set on 50 private acres along a river. Lunch is en route..BLD

Note: An optional private charter flight directly to Tortuguero can be booked for this day at additional cost. The price of the flight depends on the number of passengers. Please call us for prices.

DAY 4

TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK

Tortuguero's labyrinth of canals give access to a pristine stretch of the Caribbean coast. This morning, set out with your naturalist guide for a 3-hour boat excursion through secluded waterways. Tortuguero protects one of the last large areas of tropical rainforest in Central America, with 11 habitats



TRIP DETAILS AT-A-GLANCE

- Length:** 8 days
Arrive: San Jose, Costa Rica
Depart: San Jose, Costa Rica
Lodging: 7 nights in comfortable hotels and lodges
Meals: All meals included except 3 lunches, 4 dinners (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)
Activity: Walking, Wildlife and Natural History
Trip Level: 1 2 3 4 5 6
Nature hikes, options including sunset boat cruise with dolphin watching

HIGHLIGHTS

- Explore Tortuguero, a Caribbean coastal rainforest alive with the calls of birds and monkeys
- Walk "hanging bridges" through rainforest, ride a zip line across the canopy
- Hike nature trails of Manuel Antonio National Park
- Optional sea kayaking or a sunset boat cruise on the Pacific

Itinerary (cont'd)



found in the park. Three species of monkeys (spider, howler, and white-faced), three-toed sloths, and river otters are frequently seen along the natural inland waterways and canals. Manatees, caiman, iguanas, river turtles, basilisk lizards, and poison dart (Dendrobates) frogs inhabit the area, along with more than 320 species of birds including all six species of kingfishers found in the New World, three species of toucans, eight species of parrots, and other neotropical species such as the slaty-tailed trogon, white-collared manakin, purple-throated fruitcrow, and white-fronted nunbird. An option for a private kayak tour (at extra cost) is available. The afternoon is free for independent exploration. On trips during June, July, and August, there is an option for a turtle tour (at extra cost). Overnight at Tortuga Lodge...BLD

DAY 5

ZIP LINE / MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK

After an early morning flight to San Jose, a 3.5-hour drive brings you to the Pacific Coast and to a private rainforest where you can enjoy Costa Rica's most popular adventure sport—the canopy zip line. Clipping into a series of steel cables rigged among the trees, one can “zip” across the canopy among huge kapok and elephant ear trees for an exhilarating experience of the treetop world. There are also fantastic hanging bridges that lead into the canopy. After lunch in the town of Quepos, head to Manuel Antonio National Park, with its magnificent setting of crescent beaches, secluded bays, forested bluffs, and offshore islands. Overnight at the deluxe

Hotel El Parador, surrounded by 400 acres of rainforest and overlooking the beach and the wide blue Pacific, or upgrade to the Arenas Del Mar Beach and Nature Resort, right adjacent to the park...BL

DAY 6

MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK

Join a guided three-hour nature hike on Manuel Antonio Park's beautiful nature trails, a chance to experience the magic of vine-draped forests where white-faced monkeys leap from tree to tree, sloths gaze down from the canopy, and iguanas sunbathe on logs. The afternoon is free for activities on your own. Overnight at Hotel El Parador (or Arenas Del Mar Beach and Nature Resort)...B

“Everything was absolutely perfect. Your staff could not possibly have been better.”

Daniel S., Temple Terrace, FL



DAY 7

MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK

Enjoy activities on your own today. Options include exploration by sea kayak in the Isla Damas Mangrove Sanctuary, with its wonderful wildlife and protected inland waterways. Sea kayaking is a perfect way to explore coastal mangroves and view wildlife up close. There is great birding in the mangrove canals, with a chance to see caimans, sloths, and white-face monkeys. Another option is a sunset boat cruise for whale watching and dolphin viewing, with the backdrop of a beautiful tropical sky turning pink and orange. Sea turtles, flying fish, and birdlife including boobies and frigatebirds share this beautiful environment with the many dolphins that frolic and play along this coast. Overnight at Hotel El Parador (or Arenas Del Mar Beach and Nature Resort)...B

DAY 8

QUEPOS / SAN JOSE / DEPART

Early morning transfer to Quepos Airport for the flight to San Jose Airport, where you connect with homeward-bound flights...B

Note: Your homeward flight must depart no earlier than 2:00 pm.



“An excellent trip that was interesting and extremely well organized. All the guides were excellent and enthusiastic about presenting their home country to us.”

Lana P, Lake Louise, Alberta



Trip Cost, Payment & Insurance

TRIP COST

Prices are per person, valid through December 15, 2023

\$4895 (8-15 members)

\$5295 (5-7 members)

\$5795 (3-4 members)

\$6595 (2 members)

Single supplement: \$1525

Internal airfare: \$345 (subject to change)

Optional flight upgrade (Day 3): \$395 per person (subject to change)

Peak season rates (December 15, 2023-January 5, 2024) are quoted separately

Prices are based on double occupancy and not guaranteed until services are confirmed.

Make it Your Trip!

The prices above are for the ready-to-book adventure outlined in this Detailed Itinerary, a popular option that has been handcrafted by our Area Specialists to include the best of every destination. While many travelers choose to book this tour as is, our Area Specialists are also happy to work with you to customize this Private Journey to suit your specific interests and style of travel. We can arrange for longer or shorter stays, offer hotel upgrades (see below for sample costs), or add an extension to additional places of interest. We can even add special activities or customize excursions depending on your interests. We invite you to contact us to discuss your options!

Optional Hotel Upgrades

All upgrade pricing is per person, based on double occupancy.

Please call for single occupancy pricing.

Arenal National Park: Nayara Gardens, from \$75

Manuel Antonio National Park: Arenas del Mar Beach and Nature Resort, from \$445

TRIP COST INCLUDES

- Private guide on Days 2-5
- Local guide on Day 6
- One night at Hotel Grano de Oro (Deluxe Room), one night at The Lost Iguana Resort (Luxury Suite), two nights at Tortuga Lodge (River View Upstairs Balcony Room), three nights at Parador Resort and Spa (Premium Room), based on double occupancy
- All meals included except 3 lunches, 4 dinners as indicated in the Detailed Itinerary (B=Breakfast, L=Lunch, D=Dinner)

- Land transportation and airport transfers as noted

TRIP COST DOES NOT INCLUDE

International airfare, any meals not specified after each itinerary day, airport departure taxes, internal airfare, optional tipping or gratuities to staff, additional hotel nights made necessary by airline schedule changes or other factors, pre-trip expenses such as medical immunizations (if any), travel insurance, or passports and visas; and other expenses of a personal nature (alcoholic beverages, laundry, etc.).

SIGNING UP FOR A TRIP

Early reservations are recommended since accommodations often sell out far in advance. Please call 1-800-368-2794 and ask for our Latin America Manager or email us at latinamerica@wildernesstravel.com with any questions that you may have about this trip. To reserve your Private Journey, we will need to know your preferred dates of travel. We will then check availability and send you a proposed itinerary with exact pricing for your adventure. We can typically hold a provisional booking for one week. At that time, we must collect your initial deposit or accommodations will be released. We accept Visa, Mastercard, or American Express card. Upon receipt of your deposit, we will send you a Welcome Packet that includes a letter of confirmation, Detailed Itinerary, Trip Application, Medical Form, and Pre-Departure Information Booklet with information to help you prepare for your adventure. Please see our Cancellations and Transfer Fee Schedule for specific payment information.

PAYMENT SCHEDULE

At time of reservation: \$1000

90 days prior to departure: Balance

CANCELLATION AND TRANSFER FEE SCHEDULE

Minimum fee: \$500 per person

61-90 days prior to departure: 25% of trip cost

46-60 days prior to departure: 50% of trip cost

45 days or less: 100% of trip cost

*Please note that this differs from our regular catalog departures.

TRAVEL INSURANCE

We highly recommend you purchase travel insurance. You can take advantage of a comprehensive Travel Protection Plan designed for Wilderness Travel by Travelex, or purchase other insurance on your own. See our website for details: www.wildernesstravel.com/insurance

Arrival & Departure

ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE

Upon confirming your trip reservation, we will send you a Welcome Packet that includes a list of documents (passport, visas, etc.) required for your trip. Please feel free to call if you would like this information before making your air arrangements.

San Jose, Costa Rica, is the starting and ending point for this program. Airport transfers are provided for arrival at the airport on Day 1 and for your departing flight home on Day 8. Our Arrival & Departure Logistics memo, included in your confirmation packet, has details.

FLIGHT ARRANGEMENTS

Trip members are responsible for making their own arrangements for air transportation. Please do not purchase your airline tickets until you are confirmed on the trip and have reviewed your proposed air schedule with our office. Once your tickets have been purchased, please send us a copy of your airline schedule so that we can send it on to the local guide (make sure to include your Trip Name and Trip Dates on it). Note: The name on your airline ticket must match the name on your passport exactly; otherwise you may be denied boarding. Please remember this when reserving your flights. In addition, your passport must be valid for at least six months after your date of return to the US (in most cases).

Trip Details

WHAT THE TRIP IS LIKE

This trip is Level 2, Easy to Moderate. Although the overall pace of this trip is relaxed and you are free to choose the activities you like, this is an active vacation. The shape you're in will be an important factor in your enjoyment.

WEATHER

April to May are generally the hottest months, and December to February generally are the coolest months. In San Jose and in the highlands, the weather is eternally spring-like with average temperatures in the 70s. In the Manuel Antonio area, temperatures average in the 80s with cooling sea breezes. Most parts of Costa Rica have a rainy season (May to November) and a dry season (December through April), although tropical showers are possible even in the dry season.

GUIDED SERVICES

You will have a private guide with you from Days 2-5, and a local guide on Day 6.

CHOOSING THE RIGHT TRIP

Adventure travel often involves exotic destinations, unusual levels of physical exertion, or activities you may not have participated in previously. We work hard to help you choose the right trip for you, paying attention to your individual interests, abilities, and needs. If you have questions about the level of comfort or any of the activities described in this itinerary, please call Wilderness Travel at 1-800-368-2794 and ask for the Latin America Manager or email us at latinamerica@wildernesstravel.com.

REFERENCES

We'd be happy to put you in touch with a past client that has traveled with us on this or a similar trip.

ABOUT PRIVATE JOURNEYS

Wilderness Travel Private Journeys are designed for people who want to travel with their own small private group, but who still want to experience the same superb itinerary design, great accommodations, and signature quality of Wilderness Travel's escorted group trips. These Private Journeys allow you to choose your own dates and your traveling companions—even if it's just the two of you—yet still enjoy a guided adventure.

TOUCAN CLUB

Please note that Toucan Club discounts do not apply for our Private Journeys. However, your participation on these trips will count toward your Toucan discount on future departures of Wilderness Travel's regular expeditions. For more information regarding our Toucan Club bonus program, please visit our website at www.wildernesstravel.com/toucan.

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Extension: Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve (Pre-Trip)

Explore Monteverde, one of the outstanding nature reserves in the New World tropics, with its complex forest canopy and distinct ecological communities. More than 400 species of birds—including toucans, tanagers, barbets, hummingbirds, and bellbirds—have been recorded here, and this is the place to see the resplendent quetzal, the venerated bird of early Central American mythology.

DAY 1 SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA

Arrive in San Jose, where you are met and transferred to the Hotel Grano de Oro (this hotel night is part of your Private Journey itinerary)...meals on your own

DAY 2 MONTEVERDE / EL REFUGIO RESERVE

Morning transfer to Monteverde, a world-famous reserve set at 4,600 feet in the Tiláran Mountains straddling the Continental Divide. Monteverde was founded in 1951 by a small group of Quakers from Alabama, attracted to Costa Rica by its lack of an army and its peaceful policies that matched Quaker philosophy. They bought land and brought dairy farming and cheese production to the region (today, Monteverde's cheese is sold throughout the country). They preserved about a third of the land they purchased to protect the watershed above Monteverde, and in 1972, after visiting biologists noted the richness of the flora and fauna, the Quakers turned it into Monteverde Biological Cloudforest Reserve, owned and operated by the Tropical Science Center of San Jose. After settling into the Monteverde Lodge, explore the grounds with your guide. The gardens are teeming with plants like tree ferns, bromeliads, and anthuriums, as well as several varieties of orchids, agapanthus, and hydrangeas. In addition to butterflies and hummingbirds, it's not uncommon to see mammals like white-nose coatis, agoutis, and white-faced capuchin monkeys. On a night tour this evening, you'll head to the nearby El Refugio Reserve to walk along the trails with a naturalist who will point out sleeping birds and nocturnal animals. Wildlife is unpredictable, but with your well-versed guide you may spot armadillos, scorpions, two-toed sloths, porcupine, bats, frogs, and many others. Regardless of what you see, the experience of walking in the forest after dark is unique. Overnight at Monteverde Lodge...BLD

DAY 3 MONTEVERDE CLOUD FOREST RESERVE

In the cloud forest of Monteverde, the forest floor is carpeted in fern, mosses, and shade-loving plants, while high above is a thick, green canopy made by the branches of tall trees reaching for sunlight. In addition to the more than 400 species of birds, there are also more than 100 species of mammals, including howler and capuchin monkeys, deer, tapirs, sloths, and five species of cats. Enjoy a morning walking tour with your private guide and visit the reserve's butterfly garden (the Jardin de las Mariposas), with its gardens, greenhouses, and netted flyway. The nearby Saint Elena Forest Reserve, which you can visit on your own, is home to quetzals, ocelots, howler and capuchin monkeys, and spider monkeys. Overnight at Monteverde Lodge...BLD

DAY 4 TO ARENAL

A scenic 3.5-hour journey brings you down the mountain road by 4WD vehicle to beautiful Lake Arenal. Boarding a boat, enjoy a 30-minute ride across the lake and begin your Private Journey itinerary in Arenal on Day 2...B

2023 EXTENSION COST

Prices valid through December 15, 2023
\$2025 per person, double occupancy
Single supplement: \$525

Call for December holiday pricing or peak season rates, which are quoted separately: December 15, 2023-January 2, 2024. Pricing is reduced for larger groups.

Extension Cost Includes: 2 nights at Monteverde Lodge, private English-speaking guide, tours, transfers to and from San Jose, meals as noted (BLD) in the itinerary.

Does Not Include: Gratuities for guide and driver, drinks during meals, meals not specified (BLD), items of a personal nature (telephone calls, laundry, room service, etc).

Pacuare Lodge & River Rafting Extension

The perfect extension to your adventure in Costa Rica—a stay at Pacuare Lodge, a wonderfully remote eco-hotel set on the banks of the Rio Pacuare, one of Costa Rica’s top whitewater rivers. And what better way to arrive there? By raft, of course! The Rio Pacuare courses through a beautiful granite canyon lined with cascading waterfalls and lush rainforest vegetation. With exhilarating rapids and spectacular scenery, it’s a rollicking ride and offers tons of excitement for the adventurous traveler (not to worry—previous rafting experience is not necessary). Once at the lodge, take your pick of a variety of exciting nature- and cultural-based excursions, from guided birdwatching tours and waterfall hikes to zip lining through the tropical rainforest canopy.

DAY 1

SAN JOSE / RIO PACUARE RAFTING

After an early morning pickup from your hotel in San Jose, drive toward the town of Turrialba, with a typical Costa Rican breakfast en route. Once at the put-in on the Pacuare, a rafting orientation with your river guides sets you up for a couple of hours of unbelievable fun. Side creeks cascade into quiet pools of the river while iridescent blue morpho butterflies whirl around you, their wings winking in the sunlight. You’ll paddle, splash and float your way on Class I-III rapids to Pacuare Lodge, where more fun experiences await you. Accommodations are in Garden Suites, which include a private terrace with hammock and sitting area, king size or two full size canopy beds, and en suite bathroom with indoor and outdoor showers. Dinner and overnight at Pacuare Lodge...BLD

Note: Minimum age for rafting is 12. Arrival by land (via 4WD vehicle) or helicopter (at additional expense) is also available if you don’t wish to raft. Call us for the details.



DAY 2

PACUARE LODGE

The lodge offers a variety of optional activities, including—but not limited to!—the following (note: minimum age is 12 for most excursions, 9 for easier activities):

- Early morning guided birdwatching tours, right on the lodge’s grounds. Enjoy a cup of coffee before you head out, then return to the lodge for breakfast afterwards.
- A variety of hikes, from a moderately challenging hike to visit a clan of the indigenous Cabécar people (4-5 hours) to an easy loop hike (1.5 hours) that ends with a refreshing splash in a local waterfall.
- Most of the action in the rainforest is up in the treetops! Experience it all with a zip line offering dramatic views, exotic birdlife, rappelling down trees, and sliding on cables from tree to tree (2 hours).
- Feeling fit and adventurous? Try canyoning, combining rock climbing, rappelling a rock face, descending a waterfall—all in the lush environment of the rainforest (2.5 hours).
- Or just take it easy—relax at the lodge’s infinity pool or indulge in a soothing spa treatment.

Overnight at Pacuare Lodge...BLD

DAY 3

RETURN TO SAN JOSE

Once again, board rafts and head through the Pacuare’s Class III-IV rapids to the town of Siquirres (this is a more challenging part of the river). You can return to San Jose by vehicle if you do not choose to raft this harder section, arriving at your hotel around 6:00 pm. End of services...BL

2023 EXTENSION COST (2-night, 3-day program)

\$1625 per person, double occupancy (Garden Suite*)

Single Supplement: \$425

Call for December holiday pricing or peak season rates, which are quoted separately: December 15, 2023-January 5, 2024. *Room upgrades at additional cost. Call for details.

Extension Cost Includes: Accommodations at Pacuare Lodge, meals as specified, transfer by 4x4 vehicle or rafting to lodge, afternoon coffee with homemade pastry, choice of up to 8 excursions at Pacuare Lodge, rafting out of lodge or ground transfer back to San Jose hotel. **Does Not Include:** Alcoholic beverages and non-alcoholic mixed drinks, spa treatments, optional tours, suite upgrade costs, incidentals, and additional hotel overnights as needed in San Jose.

Lodging

DAY 1 (1 NIGHT): SAN JOSE, COSTA RICA



GRANO DE ORO

A great place to stay for your first or last night in Costa Rica! This historic and elegant 35-room hotel was created from a former Victorian mansion. Rooms are furnished in tropical Victorian style, with wrought-iron beds and handcrafted furnishings. The upscale yet unpretentious restaurant adjoining the garden courtyard is one of San Jose's finest, and was chosen by the "Junta Asesora Gourmet Centroamericana" as one of the top 25 restaurants in Costa Rica. Be sure to take a soak in the rooftop Jacuzzi.

DAY 2 (1 NIGHT): ARENAL VOLCANO, COSTA RICA



LOST IGUANA RESORT AND SPA

This wonderful resort is like an oasis in the middle of nowhere. While the rooms are not luxurious, they are very comfortable and private, and feature balconies with fantastic views of Arenal Volcano (assuming clear weather). An open-air restaurant serves delicious meals (try the ceviche and tilapia dishes) and the free in-room Wi-Fi is a plus. There are also beautiful gardens, a spectacular double pool with swim-up bar, and if you have some extra time, treat yourself to a soothing spa treatment.



NAYARA GARDENS (OPTIONAL UPGRADE)

This laidback rainforest retreat is legendary "Pura Vida" at its best and offers a magical experience. Immersed among lush tropical gardens of heliconia and bougainvillea, it's laced by quiet paths leading past ponds of colorful koi. Enjoy a soak in one of the seven mineral hot-springs pools (fed straight from Arenal Volcano), take a dip in the swimming pool with its swim-up bar, a perfect place to sip a sundowner, or opt for a relaxing treatment at the award-winning spa. Choose between a freestanding casita, with its sweeping view of the volcano or jungle canopy and a garden with an outdoor shower, or opt for a secluded (and romantic!) Rainforest Pool Villa or Springs Villa.

DAYS 3 TO 4 (2 NIGHTS): TORTUGUERO NATIONAL PARK, COSTA RICA



TORTUGA LODGE

Surrounded by acres of landscaped gardens and dense forest, Tortuga Lodge offers 27 spacious and comfortable rooms with private bathrooms and screened windows. Its airy bar-restaurant is right on the river, as is the swimming pool. The lodge is located right next to Tortuguero National Park, but there's plenty of wildlife on the grounds, too—take a walk on the trails behind the lodge and see what you can find! Solar energy is used at the lodge, which earned Tortuga ecotourism awards from Travel & Leisure and Condé Nast Traveler. The lodge supports the local community through sustainable development, hires local staff, and supports local conservation projects.

DAYS 5 TO 7 (3 NIGHTS): MANUEL ANTONIO NATIONAL PARK, COSTA RICA



PARADOR RESORT AND SPA

Set atop a majestic bluff overlooking the Pacific and surrounded by 400 acres of tropical rainforest, the Parador Resort and Spa is a bit larger than what we normally like, but the location cannot be beat—you are within minutes of Manuel Antonio National Park. A complimentary shuttle to the park is available throughout the day, though you don't need to stray from the hotel to see wildlife (birds, monkeys, sloths). Guest rooms are clean and comfortable, with balconies offering views of either the rainforest or the ocean. The hotel features three swimming pools with great ocean views, swim-up bar, spa, tennis court—even a mini golf course. From the hotel, a trail leads to a secluded beach. There are two restaurants and an excellent complimentary breakfast buffet is served on the terraces.



ARENAS DEL MAR BEACH AND NATURE RESORT (OPTIONAL UPGRADE)

This 11-acre luxurious beachfront resort has a spectacular setting adjacent to Manuel Antonio National Park. Beautifully furnished Ocean Breeze Suites feature an air-conditioned bedroom with king size bed, a spacious deck with Jacuzzi, and a large living area with ceiling fans, sofa, mini-bar, and bathroom. Facilities include a spa, restaurants, and two swimming pools. The hotel was listed on Condé Nast Traveler's Hot List for 2008.

These are our signature accommodations for this trip. Although it is highly unlikely, we may make substitutions when necessary. To see more photos and descriptions, please visit our *Costa Rica Private Journey* webpage and click on the "Lodging" tab.



WILDERNESS TRAVEL HAS BEEN AWARDED:

- World's Best Tour Operators:** *Travel + Leisure*, 2022, 11-time winner
- Best Travel Specialists in the World:** *Conde Nast Traveller*, 2022, 3 years in a row
- Best Wildlife, Hiking & Walking Trips:** *AFAR Magazine*, 3 years in a row
- Best Adventure Travel Companies:** *USA Today*
- Trip of the Year:** *Outside Magazine*, 9-time winner
- 50 Tours of a Lifetime:** *National Geographic Traveler*, 9 years in a row
- Best Adventure Travel Companies:** *National Geographic Adventure*, 3-time winner

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