


Annex 3

Tourism Industry Perspectives:

Costa Rica Outbound Tour Company Packages



Company Name	Tour Name	Areas visited	Total Price	Price per day	# of activities	Type of activities	# of Days
Natural Habitat (Boulder, CO)	The Jewels of Costa Rica	Monteverde/Tortuguero/Arenal	Aug 2007 - Oct 2008 Fees Regular Season: 3,295.00 Nov 2008 - Oct 2009 Fees Regular Season: 3,595.00	366.11 399.44	8	boat ride, hike, canopy tour, visit family run sugar mill, oxcart ride, volcano viewing, birdwatching, hot springs	8
Natural Habitat (Boulder, CO)	Family Costa Rica Adventure (9 Day Option)	Poas/Sarapiquí/Arenal/Paradisus Playa Conchal	Jun - Sep 2008 Adult: 3,695.00	410.55	7	bat viewing, guided walk, volcano viewing, canoe or boat float trip, canopy tour, hot springs, beach	9
Natural Habitat (Boulder, CO)	Custom 8-12 Day Costa Rica						
*Note: There is also a sailing package from Costa Rica to Panama.							
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Linblad Expeditions (New York, NY)	Monteverde+ Costa Rica and Panama	Depart Miami to San Jose/Monteverde/Herradura/Manuel Antonio/Osa (Corcovado)/Golfo Dulce/Panama destinations: Isla Coiba/Gulf of Panama/Gatun Lake/Panama Canal/Colon	October 2008 Voyage Category 01 Double: 5,120.00	465.45	7	hiking, canopy tour, beach, horseback riding, kayak, snorkeling, birdwatching/wildlife	11
Linblad Expeditions (New York, NY)	Panama to Costa Rica	Depart Miami to Panama City/Colon/Gatun Lake/Panama Canal/Gulf of Panama/Isla Coiba/Golfo Dulce/Osa (Corcovado)/Manuel Antonio/Herradura/Monteverde/Arenal/Sarapiquí/Poas	November 8, 2008 Voyage Category 01 Double: 6,200.00	413.33	9	Volcano viewing, beach, rafting, hiking, horseback riding, kayaking, wildlife, canopy tour, snorkeling	15
Linblad Expeditions (New York, NY)	Panama Canal and Wonders of Costa Rica	Depart Miami to Panama City/Colon/Gatun Lake/Panama Canal/Gulf of Panama/Isla Coiba/Golfo Dulce/Osa (Corcovado)/Manuel Antonio/Herradura	November 1, 2008 Voyage Category 01 Double: 4,240.00	530	6	Kayak, beach, snorkeling, hiking, horseback riding, birdwatching/wildlife	8
*Note: all of these packages are a cruise/sailing trip.							
Source: © 2007 Lindblad Expeditions & National Geographic www.expeditions.com							
Backroads (Berkeley, CA)	Costa Rica Multisport (Family)	Dominical/Savegre/Esterillos	December 21-28 2008 3,998.00 per person double occupancy Internal Air 635.00	666.33	8	Hike, bike, horseback riding, beach, kayak, canopy tour, wildlife, rafting.	6
Backroads (Berkeley, CA)	Costa Rica Biking	Arenal/Osa/Dominical/Golfo Dulce	January 2009 3,398.00 per person double occupancy Internal Air 510.00	566.33	5	biking, hot springs, beach, hike, kayak, wildlife	6
Backroads (Berkeley, CA)	Costa Rica Walking and Hiking	Alajuela/Arenal/Gulf of Nicoya (Playa Tambor)	November 2008 3,198.00 per person double occupancy Internal Air 430.00	533	7	hiking, canopy tour, horseback riding, hot springs, beach, golf, visit small village	6
Backroads (Berkeley, CA)	Costa Rica Insider (Classic)		December 2008 3,998.00 per person double occupancy Intern Air 430.00	666.33	7	beach, hike, local community, hot springs, volcano viewing, rafting, horseback riding	6
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International Expeditions (Helena AL)	Costa Rica: Volcanoes and Rainforests	Monteverde/Arenal/Tortuguero	3,098.00	387.25	7	Guided hike, birdwatching/wildlife, volcano viewing, canopy tour, beach, hot springs, boat cruise	8
International Expeditions (Helena, AL)	New for 2009:10-Day Costa Rica	Monteverde/Arenal/Tortuguero	3,198.00	319.8	7	Birdwatching/wildlife, volcano viewing, canopy tour, hot springs, beach, boat cruise, hike	10
Source: © 2008 International Expeditions ATUI Travel Company www.international-expeditions.com							
Tauk World Discovery (CT)	Costa Rica Adventure	Monteverde/Arenal/Tortuguero/Penas Blancas	2,440.00	305	8	Canopy tour, birdwatching, hiking, volcano viewing, boat cruise, hot springs, rafting, wildlife, beach	8
Tauk World Discovery (CT)	The Panama Canal and Costa Rica-2009	Irazú/La Paz/San Jose/Puerto Caldera/Osa/Coiba Island/Darien Province (Panama)/Panama Canal/San Blas Islands/	5,990.00	544.55	6	Volcano viewing, beach, hiking, city tour, birdwatching/wildlife, visit local community, boat cruise	11
Tauk World Discovery (CT)	Costa Rica: Jungles and Rainforests	You Arrive in Liberia not San Jose/Papagayo/Rincon Vieja/Arenal/Penas Blancas/Tortuguero/San Jose	2,365.00	295.63	11	Volcano viewing, horseback riding, river tubing, mud pools, lake cruise, canopy tour, raft, wildlife, beach, plantation local village visit, explore city	8
*Note: Arrival in Liberia in Costa Rica: Jungles and Rainforests							
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Overseas Adventure Travel/Grand Circle (Boston, MA)	Real Affordable Costa Rica	San Jose/Sarapiquí/Arenal/Caño Negro/Guanacaste/Rincon Vieja/Manuel Antonio/Carara	from 1,795.00+government tax and fees	138.1	14	City tour, plantation, rafting, wildlife/birdwatching, pineapple farm, local community, bat viewing, volcano viewing, hot spring, canopy tour, boat cruise, horseback riding, mud bath, outrigger canoe	13
Overseas Adventure Travel/Grand Circle (Boston, MA)	Costa Rica: Natural Parks and Tropical Forests	Tilarán/Arenal/Guanacaste/Monteverde/Manuel Antonio/San Gerardo de Dota/San Jose	from 1,895.00 to 2,295.00	145.77 to 176.54	16	Coffee plantation, kayak, volcano viewing, hot springs, canopy tour, wildlife/birdwatching, visit local school, spanish lessons, rafting, hiking, horseback riding, bat viewing, boat tour, beach, farm visit, city tour	13

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Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Costa Rica Family Vacation	Arenal/Villa Blanca/Manuel Antonio/Damas Island/San Jose	1,965.00	218.33	13	Volcano viewing, hiking, hot springs, animal/wildlife viewing, canopy tour, beach, kayak, city, (optional)-sport fishing, snorkeling, scuba diving, dolphin & giant sea turtle viewing, horseback riding	9
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Lapa Rios Tropical Adventure	Pacuare/Arenal/Monteverde/Osa/Tilaran	2,695.00	299.44	5	rafting, hiking, beach, wildlife/birdwatching, canopy tour	9
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Multisport Family Adventure	Pacuare/Osa/Cano Island/Corcovado	2,685.00	298.33	10	hiking, rafting, kayak, boat ride, snorkeling, beach, canopy tour, surf lessons, horseback riding, community visit	9
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Costa Rica Honeymoon	Osa/North Pacific	3,100.00	344.44	6	beach, hike, kayak, horseback riding, community visit, plantation	9
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Natural Wonders Family Tour	Tortuguero/Osa/Corcovado/Cano Island/Turrialba/Reventazon River	2,475.00	275	8	Boat ride, beach, hiking, kayak, wildlife/birdwatching, visit local school, snorkeling, rafting	9
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	River and Rainforest Adventure	Corcovado/Salsipuedes/Savegre/Cerro de La Muerta/Pacuare	1,638.00	182	6	Beach, canopy tour, hiking, horseback riding, wildlife/birdwatching, rafting	9
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Costa Rica Connoisseur	Monteverde/Arenal/Tortuguero/San Jose	2,008.00	200.8	10	Canopy tour, wildlife/birdwatching, hiking, volcano viewing, hot springs, boat ride, coffee plantation, beach, city tour, rafting	10
Wildland Adventures (Seattle, WA)	Costa Rica Sports Adventure	Tilajari/Arenal/Tortuguero/Pacuare	1,798.00	256.86	7	biking, volcano viewing, hot springs, boat tour, wildlife/birdwatching, rafting, kayak	7
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Costa Rica Experts	Off The Beaten Path Costa Rica	Dominical/Nosara	1,891.00 per person double occupancy	171.91	1	beach	11
Costa Rica Experts	Classic Costa Rica	Arenal/Monteverde/Manuel Antonio	1,370.00 per person double occupancy	152.22	7	Volcano viewing, wildlife/birdwatching, hiking, canopy tour, horseback riding, kayak, beach	9
Costa Rica Experts	Taste of Costa Rica	Tortuguero/Poas/Monteverde/Tango Mar	2,059.00 per person double occupancy	205.9	9	Hiking, volcano viewing, canopy tour, beach, horseback riding, wildlife/birdwatching, snorkeling, golf, tennis	10
Costa Rica Experts	Family Exploration	Poas/Osa/Golfo Dulce/Manuel Antonio	2,357.00 per person double occupancy	261.89	8	Hiking, volcano viewing, wildlife/birdwatching, beach, fishing, kayak, snorkeling, horseback riding	9
Costa Rica Experts	Quintessential Adventure	Pacuare/Corcovado/Cano Island/Arenal	2,378.00 per person double occupancy	237.8	6	Hiking, biking, volcano viewing, wildlife/birdwatching, rafting, scuba diving	10
*Note: These are just a random sampling of some of the trips Costa Rica Experts offers.							
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Elderhostel (Boston, MA)	Exploring Natural Wonders: The Real Costa Rica	INBIO/Poas/Sarapiquí/Cano Negro/Arenal/Tarcoles/Manuel Antonio/San Gerardo de Dota/Savegre	2,064.00-2,110.00	172-175.83	9	INBIO park, hiking, volcano viewing, wildlife/birdwatching, rafting, pineapple plantation, boat trip, visit local school, canopy tour	13
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Southern Horizons	Hot Sands	Rincon de La Vieja/Tamarindo	Not listed		7	mud bath, hot springs, hike, beach, canopy tour, wildlife, horseback riding	7
Southern Horizons	Discover Costa Rica	Tortuguero/Arenal/Guanacaste/Monteverde/Manuel Antonio	Not listed		12	wildlife/birdwatching, boat ride, hike, beach, shopping, volcano viewing, hot springs, fishing, scuba, horseback riding, snorkeling, surfing	14
Southern Horizons	Ocean to Ocean	Tortuguero/Arenal/Tamarindo	Not listed		4	boat ride, volcano viewing, beach, hot springs	9
Southern Horizons	Natural Wonders	Tortuguero/Arenal/Monteverde/Manuel Antonio	Not listed		4	jungle tour, volcano viewing, boat ride, beach	10
Southern Horizons	Taste of Costa Rica	Arenal/Guanacaste	Not listed		2	beach, volcano viewing	7
Southern Horizons	Pure Adrenaline Rush	Arenal/Tamarindo	Not listed		8	hiking, rafting, volcano viewing, rappelling, horseback riding, wildlife/birdwatching, canopy tour, beach	8
Southern Horizons	Honeymoon in Paradise	Pacuare/Tango Mar	Not listed		4	rafting, beach, horseback riding, candlelight dinner	7
*Note: there are two more similar style honeymoon packages offered.							
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• IPEE Spanish Language School							

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IPEE Spanish Language School		• Costa Rica Tours					
*Note: Offers a plethora of intensive spanish classes, and other various subjects that discuss political, historical, geographical, etc.. material about Costa Rica							
*Source: IPEE Spanish Language School www.ipee.com							
Costa Rica Tours	Costa Rica Nature Adventure	San Jose/Sarapiquí Rainforest/Arenal Volcano/Monte Verde	Option # 1 Double Low Season 609.00	87		Not listed	7
Costa Rica Tours	Coast to Coast Adventure	San Jose/Tortuguero/Arenal/Monte Verde/Manuel Antonio	Option # 1 Double Low Season 969.00	96.9		Not listed	10
Costa Rica Tours	Nature Lovers Tour	Arenal Volcano/Monte Verde/Manuel Antonio	Option # 1 Double Low Season 589.00	84.14		Not listed	7
Costa Rica Tours	Costa Rica Model of the tropics	San José/Osa Peninsula/Arenal/Monte Verde	Option # 1 Double Low Season 1,249.00	138.77		Not listed	9
Costa Rica Tours	Nature Wonder Expeditions	San Jose/Tortuguero/Sarapiquí/Arenal/Guanacaste-Tamarindo	Option # 1 Double Low Season 909.00	101		Not listed	9
Costa Rica Tours	City-Mountain-Beach Tour	San Jose/Monte Verde/Manuel Antonio	Option # 1 Double Low Season 489.00	81.5		Not listed	6
Costa Rica Tours	Birdwatching Journey	San Gerardo-Trogón Lodge/Rancho Naturalista near Turrialba/Carara	Option # 1 Double Low Season 959.00	137		Not listed	7
Costa Rica Tours	Honeymoon Package #1	Xandari Plantation Inn/Villa Caletas-Tropical Victorian Setting near Manuel Antonio	Option # 1 Low Season 919.00 per person	131.29		Not listed	7
Costa Rica Tours	Mountain and Beach Explore	Guanacaste/Northwest Beaches/Monte Verde	Option # 1 Double Low Season 869.00	124.14		Not listed	7
*Note: there was no itinerary listed that gave detailed descriptions of activities.							
*Source: Costa Rica Tours. www.costaricatours.net							

Minimum: 81.5
Maximum: 666.33