



Costa Rica

San Jose, Osa Peninsula, Dominical,
Manuel Antonio
June 16 - 26, 2019

Join DeLaSalle High School on an 11-day / 10-night "Biological and Cultural Studies" for-credit tour to Costa Rica. Our trip will take place from June 16 - 26, 2019 and include overnight stays in San Jose, the Osa Peninsula, Dominical, and the Manuel Antonio National Park. Please note - this trip is limited to a maximum of 22 students and DeLaSalle teachers, Paul Szczepanski, Mary Lenz, and Lucienne Nagel.

Sample Itinerary* / Overnight City / Activities

- Sun June 16 **San Jose - Depart Minneapolis / Dallas; Arrive Costa Rica!** - Hotel check-in and dinner
- Mon June 17 **San Jose** - Visit Pre-Columbian Gold Museum, lunch, project with CEDES Don Bosco High School, and dinner
- Tues June 18 **La Tarde / Osa Peninsula** - Depart for Osa Peninsula, lunch en route, lodge check-in, Anthro processing-start field study ideas, and dinner
- Wed June 19 **La Tarde / Osa Peninsula** - Morning hike, lunch, field project planning, dinner, and night walk observing frogs/kinkajous
- Thur June 20 **La Tarde / Osa Peninsula** - Field project work, lunch, hike to Overlook, cultural discussion with host family, and dinner
- Fri June 21 **Hacienda Baru, Wildlife Refuge & Park** - Depart for Dominical, lunch, lodge check-in, orientation hike, 2nd field study ideas, and afternoon free
- Sat June 22 **Hacienda Baru, Wildlife Refuge & Park** - Optional 2nd field study-bird watching, zip-line, tree-climb, and ethnographic field work in Dominical-walk to town
- Sun June 23 **Hacienda Baru - Wildlife Refuge & Park**
- Mon June 24 **Manuel Antonio National Park** - Transfer to the National Park, lunch, and check-in
- Tues June 25 **Manuel Antonio National Park** - Park-based activities
- Wed June 26 **Depart San Jose for Miami / Minneapolis**

*This itinerary, including the cities or the order in which cities are visited, may change to benefit the tour.

Airline Itinerary

- Sun June 16 AA 23 dep Minneapolis 10:55am; Arr Dallas 1:24pm
- Sun June 16 AA 986 dep Dallas 2:40pm; Arr San Jose 5:52pm
- Wed June 26 AA 1238 dep San Jose 10:38am; Arr Miami 3:45pm
- Wed June 26 AA 4674 dep Miami 8:35pm; Arr Minneapolis 11:23pm





SAN JOSE - Our tour destination is to the rugged, beautiful, rainforested, Spanish-speaking country of Costa Rica. With coastlines on the Caribbean and Pacific Oceans, Costa Rica is known for its beaches, volcanoes and immense biodiversity. Roughly a quarter of its area is protected national park lands rich with wildlife. Our trip begins in San José, Costa Rica's capital, located in the Central Valley region with the Talamanca Mountains to the south and volcanoes to the north. The city is distinguished by its Spanish colonial architecture such as the ornate neoclassical National Theatre of Costa Rica located at the Plaza de la Cultura.

OSA PENINSULA – LA TARDE LODGE - The Osa Peninsula is located in southwestern Costa Rica in the Puntarenas Province with the Pacific Ocean to the west and Golfo Dulce to the east. The peninsula is home to at least half of all species living in Costa Rica. Our base will be at Ecoturistico La Tarde, a remote, off-grid Eco-lodge surrounded by primary rainforest, named by National Geographic Magazine as "one of the most biologically intense places on earth." We'll have opportunities to see some of the Peninsula's rarest inhabitants, including jaguar, puma, birds, reptiles, amphibians, and all four of Costa Rica's monkey species.

DOMINICAL – HACIENDA BARU LODGE – Next we will visit Hacienda Baru Lodge, a National Wildlife Refuge. Our two-night stay will include a number of exciting activities. The Lodge is comprised of 815-acres with a fantastic variety of habitats, from wetlands and secondary rainforests in the lowlands to primary rainforests on the highland coastal ridge and supports an equally large variety of wildlife. Miles of walking trails and pristine beaches are here to explore, as well as orchid and butterfly gardens, and we'll have an opportunity to take a Zip-Line Canopy Tour through the rainforest. Hacienda Baru's primary mission is to preserve its natural resources and educate visitors about its biological wealth through ecologically-oriented tours and adventures. We'll also visit the beach-front town of Dominical, well-known for large, year-round waves and a popular venue for surfers.

PARQUE NACIONAL MANUEL ANTONIO - Our final stop is to the country's most-celebrated tourist destination, the Manuel Antonio National Park. Located on Costa Rica's central Pacific coast, the park is renowned for its vast diversity of tropical plants and wildlife, from three-toed sloths and the endangered white-faced capuchin monkeys, to hundreds of bird species.

Tour Package Includes

- Roundtrip airfare between the U.S. and Costa Rica
- All hotel accommodations (double occupancy)
- All ground transportation in Costa Rica
- Full-time licensed Driver-Guide
- All tourist attractions entry fees / active adventures
- Daily hotel breakfast
- 10 additional meals (lunches or dinners), excluding beverages
- Community service opportunities / exchanges with local student groups (per group request)
- Academic activities (per group request)
- All gratuities for your Driver-Guide and hotel staff
- One checked bag, per airline baggage policy

Tour Package Does Not Include

- Passport (required) - Please refer to the U.S. State Department website <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel/en/international-travel/International-Travel-Country-Information-Pages/CostaRica.html>
- Currently, Costa Rica requires that U.S. Citizen's Passport be valid for the duration of your stay in the country.
- Activities and meals not mentioned
- Personal items

Tour Package Price (based on 25 travelers)

- \$3,390 per person, double occupancy
- Single Supplement (single hotel rooms are limited availability - cost and availability confirmed upon request)

Payment Schedule & Terms

- A \$500 per person deposit payment is due to hold your reservation. Space is limited, awarded on a first-come, first-served basis.
- \$1,445 installment payment is due on or before February 16, 2019.
- \$1,445 final payment is due on or before March 16, 2019.
- Deposit payment is fully refundable, less a \$100 per person cancellation fee. All payments thereafter are non-refundable.
- Please remit payments to: Brazilian Travel Adventures
1802 Jonathan Street, North Liberty, IA 52317

Required Passenger Information

- At time of final payment: Name exactly as it appears on Passport, Passport #, Passport Expiration Date, Passport Issuing Country, Date of Birth, Email Address, Cell #, Emergency Contact, Food Allergies, Rooming List.

Hotel Accommodations (We use these hotels and other equivalent quality hotels. Please note that no hotel reservations are currently being held.)

Hotel Paseo Las Damas
3rd Avenue 9 & 11
San Jose

Ecoturistico La Tarde
Peninsula de Osa, Calle de La Tarde
Provincia de Puntarenas
Puerto Jimenez, 606702

Hacienda Baru Lodge
Costanera Sur
Provincia de Puntarenas
Savagre

Manuel Antonio Hotel
Parque Nacional Manuel Antonio
Provincia de Puntarenas
Canton de Acuirre

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