

### Costa Rica: Explorica Volunteer Trip March 3-10,2024

# Why Explorica?



#### **Proven experience**

- 55 years of safe travel experiences
- More than 1 million travelers
- Tours to 75 countries on all 7 continents



#### **Excellent value**

- Fully inclusive
- Quality hotels, meals & activities
- Guaranteed best prices



#### **Incredible Tour Directors**

- Professionally trained, multilingual Tour Directors
- Specialized in student travel
- Local experts bring the destination to life
- With group 24/7



#### Exceptional safety record

- Proven systems in place at all levels of operations
- Worldwide network of support
- Local staff and partnerships
- Proactive risk management
- 24/7 On-Call Support Team
- Unmatched in industry



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# Where we're going

And why...

- March 3-10, 2024
- 8 days

On this 8-day unforgettable adventure, you'll discover breathtaking volcanoes, serene lakes and what it means to change people's lives forever. From San José to Coastal Puntarenas, your experience will leave a mark on both the locals you'll encounter, as well as on yourself.

 $\begin{array}{c} \text{Next up} \\ \text{Our itinerary day by day} \end{array}$ 

### **Tour Itinerary**

### DAY 1 Hola San José (groups flying from the west coast may be required to depart day 0)

• Meet your tour director and check into hotel

#### DAY 2 | San José--Arenal

- Breakfast
- Coffee Plantation tour
- Travel to Arenal

### DAY 3 | Arenal landmarks

- Lake Arenal kayaking tour
- Hot springs visit
- Volunteer activities

### DAY 4 | Arenal--Monteverde

- Travel to Monteverde
- Canopy zip line tour





### **Tour Itinerary**

### DAY 5 | Monteverde--Coastal Puntarenas

- Travel to Coastal Puntarenas
- Volunteer activities

### DAY 6 | Coastal Puntarenas--San José

- Travel to San José via Sarchí
- Sarchí craft village visit
- Optional folklore evening \$35

### DAY 7 | San José volunteer project

- Breakfast
- Volunteer activities

### DAY 8 End tour

• Breakfast





## What's included

Almost everything!



**Round-trip airfare** 



All on-tour transportation



Accommodation in triple or quad rooms with private bathrooms



Full breakfast and lunch daily



Hearty, authentic dinner daily





**Entrance fees to attractions per itinerary** 



Guided sightseeing tours and city walks per itinerary



Full-time, professional tour director



Online Tour Diary<sup>™</sup>, so you can follow our journey from home



24-hour emergency service



### Your responsibilities

These costs vary and are not included in the tour fee:



Acquiring a passport and visa (if applicable)

Travel to and from the airport, for departure and arrival back home

Tips for our tour director and bus driver (unless included). Spending money for optional excursions, freetime activities, lunches, beverages/snacks, and souvenirs

## Your responsibilities

Optional travel protection



### **Travel Protection Plan**

\$16/day

### This plan covers your child for:

- A traveler's injury, sickness, or death of a family member
- Theft of passport or visas
- Flight cancellations due to strike or bad weather
- Loss of luggage and personal effects
- Trip cancellation or trip interruption due to covered reasons such as a covered sickness, illness, or injury
- Trip cancellation or trip interruption due to terrorist acts, as defined



### Travel Protection Plan PLUS

### \$24/day

### This plan covers your child for:

- Everything in the standard plan
- Plus Explorica's exclusive "Cancel for Any Reason" protection:
  - If you cancel your trip 48 hours (2 days) or more before your scheduled departure date, you will be reimbursed for 75% of the non-refundable cancellation fees, less the deposit and insurance premium

Cost of plan is due in full at the time it is selected. This plan must be selected within 14 days of trip enrollment.

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All travelers are responsible for securing the necessary documentation for travel. These pieces of documentation may include a passport and visa.



#### **Passports**

- Passports are needed 3 months prior to your departure date.
- The application process takes 8-12 weeks, so plan accordingly.



#### Visas

 Since requirements vary for each nationality, we recommend all travelers verify the individual requirements for their nationality with the local consulate for all the countries to be visited, or VisaCentral, Explorica's partner for travel visas.

## Easy ways to pay

Making it possible for every student to travel

### Pay in full at enrollment

Entire trip paid upon registration No remaining balance Payment rendered manually

# Automatic monthly payment plan

\$50 deposit paid upon registration Balance divided into equal monthly installments Payments charged automatically

### Manual payment plan

\$99 deposit paid upon registrationBalance divided into 4 installmentsPayments rendered manually



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### **Fundraising support**

- Personal fundraising page on explorica.com
- Easily request and accept credit card donations from friends and family



#### Financial assistance

- Need-based support for qualifying families
- Confidential application





### How to enroll

You can enroll your child through any of the following methods:

- Online at <u>www.explorica.com/ISICR-</u> 2024 (most popular!)
- By phone at 1-888-310-7121
- By mail when you complete the paper application and send it to:

Explorica

P.O. Box 9033

Charlottesville, VA 22906-9033





## Thanks for joining us!

Enroll online at: www.explorica.com/TCID

**Questions? Please contact:** Mr. Bruford



We look forward to traveling with you!

