



Sample Customized Itinerary Costa Rica, *[Your Travel Dates]*

[Summary of Itinerary] Susan and John, thanks for letting us help you plan your trip to Costa Rica. We've created the itinerary below based on the information you've provided. This itinerary will show you the best of Costa Rica's beaches, tropical forests, waterfalls, and nightlife, at destinations that are not too far from each other and that have restaurants and activities within walking distance. If you have any questions or need more help, please let us know.

Monday, Jan. 1: Arrive San Jose @ 10:00 p.m. Overnight in San Jose area.

Overview: *[Overview of first destination; in this case, clients spent first night in San Jose.]* Stay overnight in San Jose since you'll be getting in so late and then you can head to *[Destination A]* the next morning.

Accommodations

- *[San Jose Hotel Recommendation Based on Client Preferences]*- Larger hotel about 20 minutes from the airport. We enjoyed our stay here a couple of months ago- we were leaving early one morning, too early for breakfast, and they gave us to go bags. Clean, simple rooms. Free shuttle to the airport. \$63-78, includes breakfast.
- *[San Jose Hotel Recommendation Based on Client Preferences]*- Mid-size hotel (34 rooms) between airport and downtown San Jose (about 10 minutes from airport). Nice pool area, gym, bar. \$110, includes airport shuttle and breakfast.
- *[San Jose Hotel Recommendation Based on Client Preferences]*- Mid-size hotel (24 rooms), comfortable rooms, pool, 5 minutes from airport. Because it's so close to the airport, the area isn't very scenic but since you're getting in late anyway, it's a good option. \$95, includes airport shuttle and breakfast.

Tuesday, Jan. 2: San Jose to *[Destination A]* on S. Nicoya Peninsula. 4 nights in *[Destination A]*, Jan. 2-5.

Overview: *[Overview of next destination- where it is and what it offers.]* *[Destination A]* is a laid back beach town nestled in the rainforest on the southern Nicoya Peninsula/Pacific Coast with lots of restaurants and bars. Most businesses are located on the main strip along the beach within walking distance of hotels. The town attracts a younger crowd and there is nightlife. The area beaches are beautiful, gray sand and stretch for miles. They're good for sunbathing and decent for swimming though, like many beaches in Costa Rica, there can be rip-currents.

Getting There: *[Overview of transportation options based on client preferences.]* You have 2 options: (1) Fly on a small plane for not much money and get very close to *[Destination A]* in a half-hour. You can fly direct from San Jose, which is just north of *[Destination A]*. Car rentals

are available in *[Destination A]*; or (2) Take a shuttle to Puntarenas then a ferry/car combo for the rest of the trip to *[Destination A]*. This would take much longer (about half a day) but the ferry ride across the bay is nice. Here are some more specifics:

Flying: There are 2 local small plane carriers in Costa Rica, Nature Air and Sansa. Both are good but we usually fly Nature Air. **Flight Options:** *[Description of domestic flights to Destination A, including times, prices, and links.]*

Shuttle/Ferry Combo- *[Description of shuttle option, including times, prices, and links.]*

Accommodations in [Destination A]

- *[Hotel Recommendation Based on Client Preferences]*- Cute hotel a little outside of town (10 minute walk) so will be quieter than the places right in town. On the river that goes to the waterfalls- very close to the falls. 9 rooms (\$90-130/double occupancy), most have private verandas, and 2 villas for larger groups. Nice property right on the ocean. The beach near the property is rocky but very picturesque. Restaurant on-site.
- *[Hotel]*- Good location right on beach and close to town (on quieter end of town). 12 rooms as well as casitas. Big pool. Standard room, \$85; casita, \$140, includes breakfast.
- *[Hotel]*- A little outside of town (5 minute drive), set in the hill overlooking the ocean. You would need a car because the walk up is steep. 4 contemporary villas with a kitchen and terrace. Rates start at \$130 (5 night minimum).
- *[Hotel]*- A short walk to town (5-10 minutes), the beach, and the waterfall. Simple rooms (\$75 for private room) and rustic wooden cabins (\$90). Pool.

Activities

- *[List and Description of Several Area Activities and Attractions Based on Client Preferences]*

**Saturday, Jan. 6: *[Destination A]* to Central Pacific Coast.
Spend 5 nights in *[Destination B]*, Jan. 6-10.**

[Itinerary continues in same format for each leg of the trip, with Overview, Getting There, Accommodations, and Activities.]