

Upon your arrival in San José, a certified naturalist guide leads you and your group through an unforgettable adventure filled with cultural encounters and the ever-changing beauty of Costa Rica. From zip-lining in the rainforest to lying on the beach, you'll be amazed and delighted. Keep your eye out for monkeys! Then, meet your host family for six nights of pura vida in Costa Rica.

Program in Costa Rica

Trip Overview 14 DAYS GUIDED WITH FAMILY STAY Trip Overview GUIDED FROM \$3,199 DETROIT



Features & Inclusions

- **✗** ROUND-TRIP AIRFARE
- IN-COUNTRY
 TRANSPORTATION
- INSURANCE
- LOCAL BILINGUAL GUIDE

What Others Are Saying

"My family was so welcoming, and I learned so much being included in the small activities of their daily life. I miss them already!" — Katherine S., Brookfield, WI

"I loved how this trip seemed to open my son's eyes to different cultures and gave him a sense of accomplishment with his use of his language skills."

- Laura M., Granby, CO

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Trip Itinerary

DAY 1 | San José

Upon arrival, transfer to your hotel.

DAY 2 | Arenal

Start the day off by exploring the local mercado, where you can feast your eyes on all of the colorful fruits and vegetables while practicing your Spanish skills. On your way to Arenal, stop in Sarchí, a town which is home to the largest oxcart in the world! During a workshop, get inspired as you paint a small wheel of a carreta! Later you will have a blast splashing in the warm, thermal waters of the nearby hot springs.

DAY 3 | Arenal

Begin your day visiting a local waterfall where you'll hike down to the refreshing pool below. Next, visit a local school where you will meet and connect with students just like you! Afterwards, make your way to an organic tropical farm where you will get to meet with local farmers. Learn about tropical crops, milk cows, squeeze sugar cane juice and more. Jobs are based on the current needs of the farm at the time of travel, B L D

DAY 4 | Monteverde

Enjoy a morning hike with Arenal Volcano as your backdrop. Cross Laguna de Arenal by boat to Monteverde, famous for its cloud forest.

DAY 5 | Monteverde

Tour Monteverde Reserve. For an awesome and unforgettable adventure, zip line through the clouds. B D

DAY 6 | Manuel Antonio

Head toward the Pacific coast and its gorgeous beaches. Keep your eyes peeled for sloths, crocodiles and colorful parrots along the way!

DAY 7 | Manuel Antonio

Tour Manuel Antonio National Park, and enjoy free time for fun at the beach. You'll love its unique mix of beaches, tropical forest and abundant wildlife. Here you will have up-close views of white-faced capuchin and squirrel monkeys, sloths and black iguanas. B

DAYS 8-13 | Family Stay

All aboard as now the real adventure begins! Make your way to the family stay community where you and your classmates will spend the next 6 nights with a Costa Rican family! ¡Pura vida! B L D

DAY 14 Return

Bid adios to your tico host family as you depart for the U.S. with a lifetime of invaluable memories!

B Breakfast | L Lunch | D Dinner







The Family Stay Experience

We believe that living with a family, speaking their language and participating in their customs is the best and most authentic way to experience another culture. It's also what makes our programs different from any other travel experience. After more than 40 years of arranging family stays, we're no longer surprised when our participants say that living with a family was the best part of their experience!



Xperitas is a nonprofit educational organization dedicated to promoting global citizenship through authentic immersion experiences. We have more than 40 years of experience organizing programs that embody true language and cultural immersion, inspire personal connections with diverse individuals and communities worldwide and provide transformational experiences for our participants.





