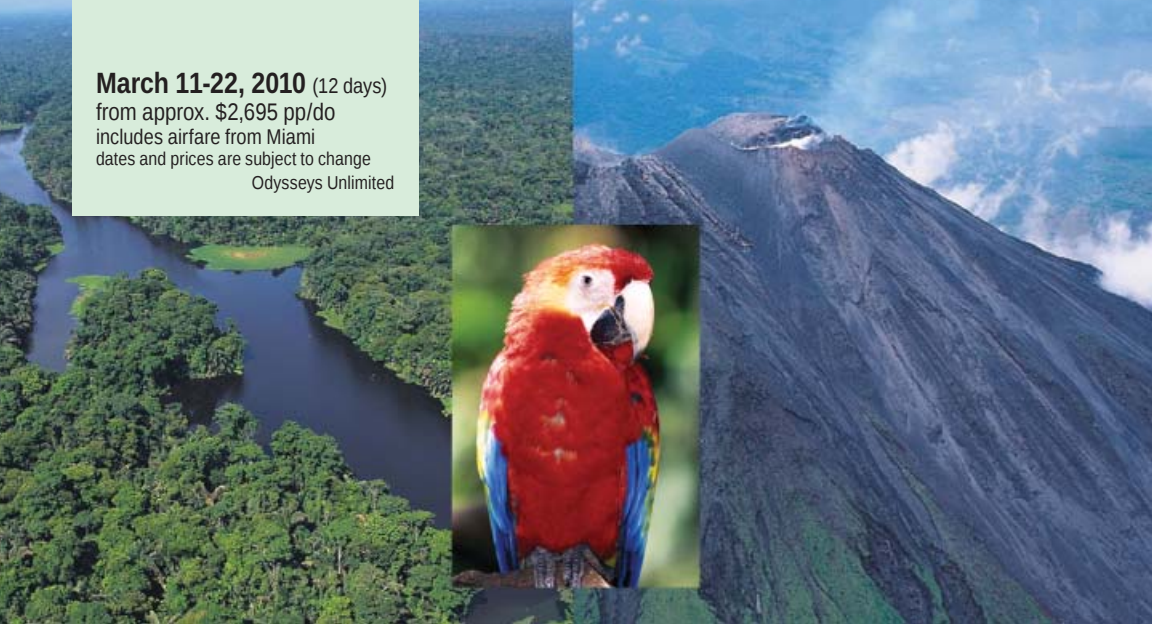


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Walk in the Valley, Climb into the Clouds

Explore Costa Rica's Natural Heritage

Discover the natural beauty of Costa Rica as you travel from cloud forest to rain forest, through the Central Valley to the Pacific Coast. Your educational journey begins in cosmopolitan San José. Embark on an excursion through the Central Valley to Irazú Volcano before continuing on to the important archaeological site of Guayabo, located in a protected rainforest. Visit the Espíritu Santo Coffee Plantation, and learn about Costa Rica's most important export. After visiting the local marketplace in unspoiled Ciudad Quesada, enjoy the magnificent vistas of Arenal Volcano from your lodge. Visit children at a local elementary school and enjoy an excursion to the lush Luna Nueva private rain forest reserve. Take guided walks through the Monteverde Cloud Forest Biological Reserve to learn about the amazing biodiversity in this relatively small area, and skim the treetops at the Hanging Bridges Sky Walk. Float along the Tempisque River to view abundant birds and wildlife. End your tropical journey at a secluded Pacific beach resort. Towering volcanoes, exotic flora and fauna, and stunning sunsets make this natural voyage a trip to remember! A four-day, three-night optional post-tour extension and guided tour in Tortuguero National Park offers a chance to learn more about Costa Rica's biodiversity.

Daily Itinerary

- 1 depart for San José, Costa Rica, and check in to the Hotel Bougainvillea. Spend the afternoon and evening at leisure.

- 2 visit Irazú Volcano and Guayabo. Attend the welcome dinner.

- 3 tour Espíritu Santo Coffee Plantation en route to the Arenal Region.

- 4 visit the Luna Nueva private rain forest reserve.

- 5 see the Monteverde Cloud Forest and check in to the Hotel Belmar.

- 6-7 tour the Monteverde Cloud Forest Biological Reserve. Spend the afternoon at leisure.

- 8 visit Guanacaste province. Check in to the Casa Conde del Mar.

- 9 enjoy a floating safari on the Tempisque River and see Palo Verde National Park.

- 10 spend a day at leisure. Enjoy the beach or optional activities.

- 11 return to San José and the Hotel Bougainvillea.

- 12 return home.

