



# Costa Rica Holidays

**C**osta Rica is probably best known for two facts: no standing army and a progressively eco-friendly government. The country became the first in the world to constitutionally abolish its military in 1948. A progressively eco-friendly government made the decision to dedicate 25% of the country's land to national parks as it is today. Costa Rica became a pioneer of eco-tourism in the 1980s and continues to benefit from the preservation and tourism promotion of these vast resources. In addition to protecting wildlife and their habitats, the government has stated a goal to reach carbon neutrality as a nation by 2021.

It makes plenty of sense to preserve Costa Rica's natural resource, as the tiny Central American nation is home to over 5% of the world's biodiversity. This includes 13 thousand plant species, 4,500 butterfly species, 163 varieties of amphibians, 220 types of reptiles, 1,600 species of fresh and salt water fish, and

870 types of birds. The nation is also fortunate to be home to a wide diversity of landscapes, climates and natural wonders such as waterfalls, volcanoes, caves, islands and of course, stunning tropical beaches.

Scarlet macaws, resplendent quetzals, humming birds, monkeys, jaguars, whales and dolphins: Costa Rica has more wildlife per square mile than any other country, making it a unique hidden gem and bio-diverse holiday location.

## YOUR TRAVEL PERSONALITY

Costa Rica Holiday is a locally based travel agency with a different approach to holiday planning. The agency does not offer 'one-size-fits-all' holiday packages. Instead, the team of British, in-country travel experts take great care to get to know your needs so your holiday can be tailor made exactly to your specifications. Whether that is exploring the Osa Peninsula

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for jaguars, watching leather-back turtles lay their eggs in Tortuguero, searching for the resplendent quetzal in the central highlands of Costa Rica, exploring tropical cloud/rainforests, or just relaxing on golden sanded beaches with the crystal clear waters right on the door step. *National Geographic* has even stated that the Osa Peninsula is "One of the most bio-intense places on earth". Let Costa Rica Holiday discover your 'travel personality' and create a unique holiday for you.

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CLOCKWISE FROM TOP  
LEFT: OCELOT AT PEACE  
LODGE; RIO CELESTE  
WATERFALL; BABY TURTLE  
IN TORTUGUERO