

ATTACHMENT IX-C

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Suggested Motion: Move to approve the Spanish trip to Costa Rica
Recommended Action: Approve as presented

Students and chaperones will travel to Costa Rica in June 2015 to experience their culture. EF tours will coordinate the trip, including flight and charter bus. Students will have two years to raise their own funds. The trip will be limited to 18 students.

Overnight Field Trip Request

(Requests must be made 60 days in advance.)

Class / Organization: Spanish School: NBHS

Date(s) of the trip: June 2015

Destination: Costa Rica

Number of students attending: 12? Male: TBD Female: TBD

Chaperones (list each name): Erin Pauli (one free chaperone per 6 students travels free)

Mode of transportation: flight, bus (charter), bus (school)
provided by EF

Overnight Accommodations: hotels - will be set 60 days prior to departure

Explain how costs are being met: Students will have 2 years to raise their own funds.

Is a trip planner being used: yes If yes, give name and experience: EF Tours, 45 years of experience

Please attach a detailed itinerary / objectives for visiting each sight: (Use additional paper if needed)
attached itinerary

Signature: [Signature] Date: 8/19/13

Principal's approval: [Signature] Date: 10/8/13

Superintendent's approval: _____ Date: _____

Board approval: _____ Date: _____

**Please attach any necessary information for clarification purposes.
This form may be more restrictive than policy.**



Educational Tours

9 days | Costa Rica

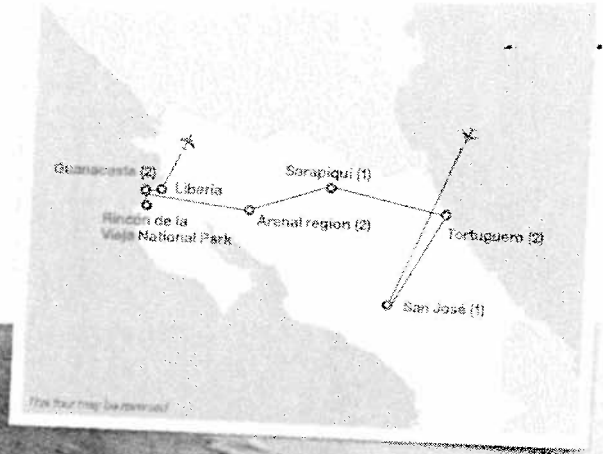
COSTA RICA: COAST TO COAST



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Costa Rica's incredibly diverse ecology makes it truly unique on our planet. In Tortuguero—nesting ground of sea turtles—discover 11 different habitats. In Arenal, discover a beautiful lake, a powerful waterfall, hot springs and a looming volcano. And in Guanacaste, find an amazing collection of plants and animals against a backdrop of beaches and forested bluffs.



Costa Rican wildlife

Day 1: Fly to Costa Rica

- Meet your Tour Director at the airport

Day 2: San José | Tortuguero

- Travel to Braulio Carrillo National Park
- Visit a banana plantation
- Travel by boat to Tortuguero
- Free time in Tortuguero Village

Day 3: Tortuguero

- Enjoy a boat tour through the Tortuguero canals
- Visit Tortuguero National Park

Day 4: Sarapiquí

- Travel to the Sarapiquí region
- Time to explore on your own or
 - ☑ Enjoy a canopy tour

Day 5: Arenal region

- Time to explore on your own or
 - ☑ Enjoy whitewater rafting
- Travel to the Arenal region
- Enjoy the hot springs

Day 6: Arenal region

- Take a kayaking trip along Lake Arenal
- Hike to La Fortuna Waterfall

Day 7: Guanacaste

- Visit Rincón de la Vieja National Park
- Continue on to Guanacaste

Day 8: Guanacaste

- Enjoy a free day on the beach

Day 9: Depart for home

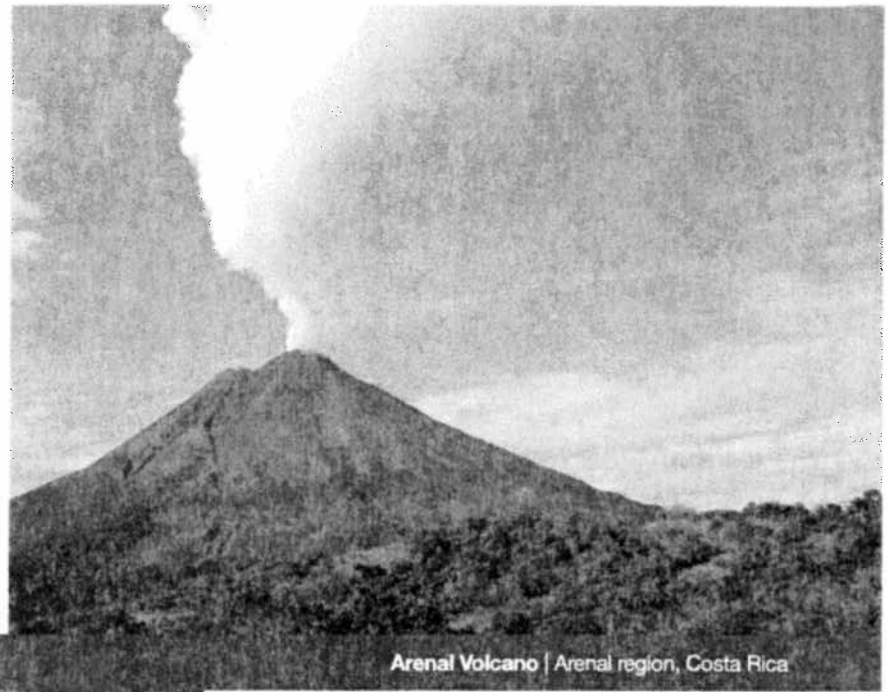
Everything you get:

- ✈ Round-trip flights on major carriers
- 👤 Full-time Tour Director
- 🚌 Comfortable motorcoach
- 🏠 8 overnight stays in hotels with private bathrooms
- 🍽 3 meals daily (Days 2-8):
Dinner on arrival day;
Breakfast on departure day
- 📷 Comprehensive sightseeing of natural attractions
- 🎫 **Entrances**
Tortuguero canals boat tour; Hot springs; Lake Arenal kayaking; La Fortuna Waterfall; Rincón de la Vieja National Park

☑ **Customize this tour** by adding excursions.

Arenal

Get ready for an adventure to remember in Costa Rica's Arenal region. Behold the perfect conical shape that emerges from the green hills of Atajuela: this is the fascinating Arenal Volcano. Overlooking the San Carlos plain and the Pacific lowlands, this mile-high volcano has been active for the past 7,000 years. You'll see the volcano from a different angle on your kayaking excursion. Not only does the volcano serve as a watershed for the lake, but it also provides thermal energy for the nearby hot springs. Relax in these naturally heated pools; then, walk to the bottom of the spectacular La Fortuna Waterfall.



Arenal Volcano | Arenal region, Costa Rica



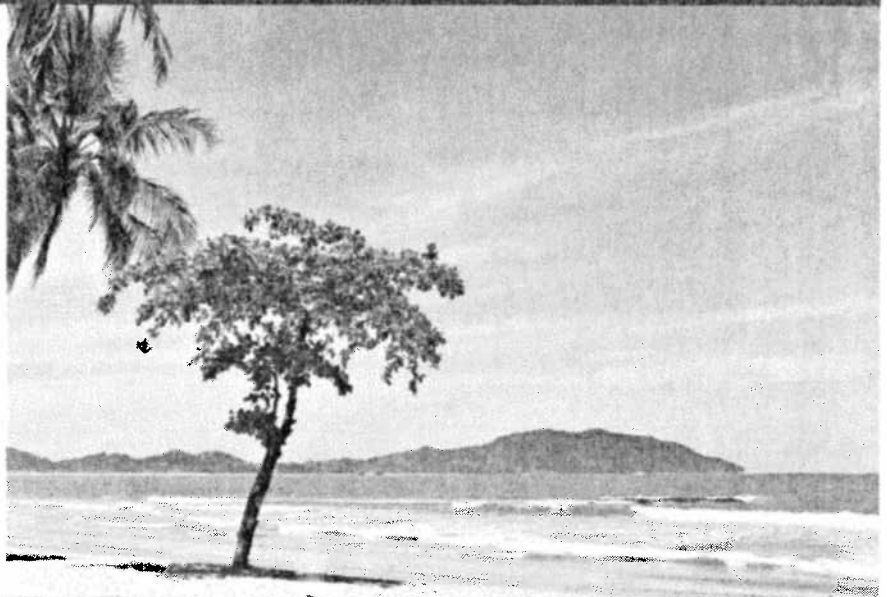
Green sea turtle | Tortuguero, Costa Rica

Tortuguero

Visit Tortuguero National Park—the most important Caribbean breeding ground for the green sea turtles, who have lived here for more than 100 million years. Begin your visit in Tortuguero Village, gateway to the Tortuguero National Park. Founded in the 1930s by Colombians exporting sea turtles and coconuts, Tortuguero Village today is accessible only by boat and home to just 700 residents. Next, explore the twists and turns of the Tortuguero Canals on a boat excursion. High rainfall and convergence of freshwater and the Caribbean sea make the beaches, canals, lagoons and wetlands of Tortuguero areas of exceptional biodiversity. See if you can spot a howler monkey, toucan or maybe even a caiman.

Guanacaste

Feel your toes in the sand as you experience firsthand the natural wonderland of Guanacaste. The emerald Pacific glimmers alongside miles of beaches—an ideal setting for divers, surfers and boaters. Take in the craggy bluffs cloaked in forests stretching tall above you and encounter local cattle ranchers driving oxen carts farther inland. Learn about Guanacaste's remarkable array of plant and animal life when you explore Rincón de la Vieja National Park. Located high in the mountains, this rain/cloud forest boasts numerous geothermal hot springs.



Guanacaste beach | Guanacaste, Costa Rica

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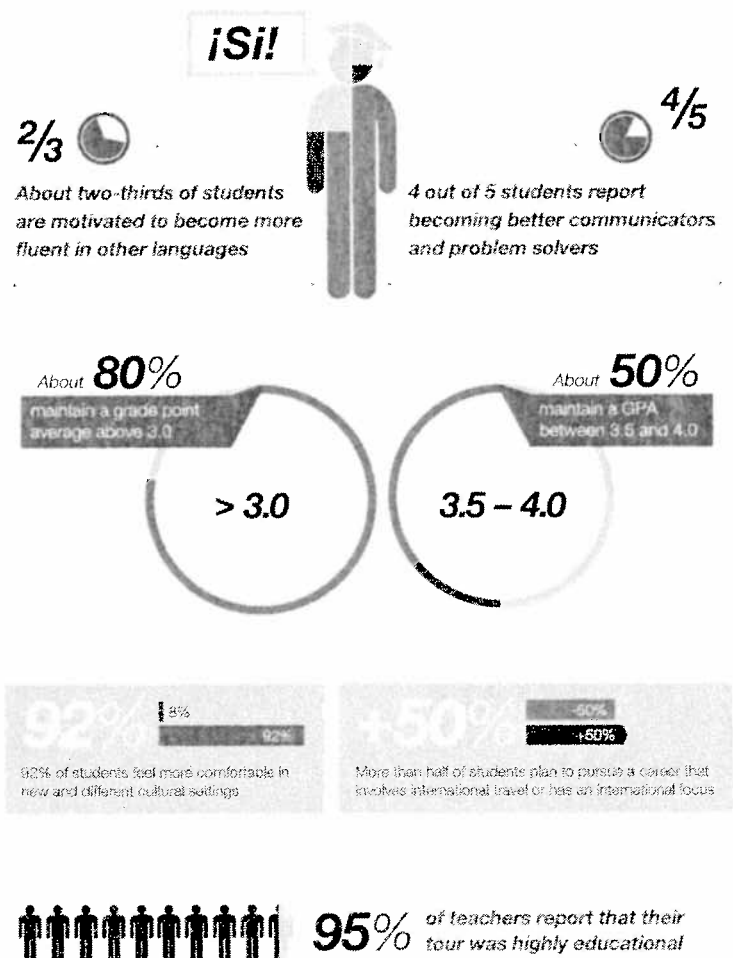
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