

## **INSIGHT** © GUIDES

### Personalized Experience for:

# Tropical Fruit Tour of Costa Rica (12 days / 11 nights)

September 4 through 15, 2017

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## (Upala - Fortuna - Sarapiqui - Guapiles - Turrialba - Heredia)





#### DAY 1. Monday, 04 Sep 17

#### Transfer In from Liberia International Airport

**(D)** Arrival at Liberia's Daniel Oduber International Airport. After passing through Immigration you will be met by a representative of our company who will welcome you and the group to Costa Rica and review the itinerary. You will be transferred to your hotel.

Overnight at: La Anita Rainforest Ranch

Room Type: Standard Room - Full American Plan Included.

Staying Dates: In: Monday 04-Sep-2017 Out: Wednesday 06-Sep-2017 / 2 Nights

DAY 2. Tuesday, 05 Sep 17

#### Farm day Tour

**(B, L & D)** At La Anita they grow a wide variety of products: cocoa, heart of palm, cardamom, tropical fruits and vegetables, medicinal plants and a nice variety of exotic tropical flowers. During the Farm Day Tour they will show you how they grow and harvest the crops and they will share with you some of the traditional recipes of Costa Rica! News to gourmets: the taste of our delicious local cuisine is prepared exclusively with fresh and high quality ingredients! On the menu: heart of palm ceviche, Gallo pinto, Sea bass fish with La Anita's Pesto, Pork chops with Caribbean style sauce, homemade jam, taro chips, among others.

It will be a pleasure to share with you their commitment to work in harmony with the four pillars: Agriculture, Environment, Tourism and Community. They believe in equitable and holistic development of these four pillars to achieve a fair balance which they consider their greatest responsibility.



DAY 3. Wednesday, 06 Sep 17

#### La Anita Rainforest Chocolate Tour

(B, L & D) La Anita Rainforest Chocolate Tour brings out the best of the cacao bean for you to enjoy in harmony with the surrounding rainforest. As the only farm in Costa Rica owned by a Costa Rican family that produce their own organic cacao, only La Anita provides the authentic opportunity to discover the magic behind the sweet flavor of chocolate. This tour will take you straight to the cacao pods of Upala, the region where La Anita is located, and guide you through the process to the ending product – fine morsels of dark chocolate for you to savor. Known as the Cacao Canton of Costa Rica, Upala also offers a rare, unique climate that allows several varieties of cacao to grow in the midst of rainforest and volcanoes. Sign up for this tour, and you'll enjoy a rare glimpse into one of Costa Rica's tastiest traditions in the way it was meant to be enjoyed – In a paradisal setting, with producers committed to sustainable practices, straight from the source.

This is a very enriching experience that helps our guests to more deeply understand and delight in our Costa Rican culture!

- -Journey into a diversified cacao orchard to see the cacao trees and witness the exciting first postharvest process, fermentation, and drying.
- -In the processing plant, you will see cacao transformed from dry beans to paste to artisan chocolate.-
- -Witness the final magical transformation of chocolate paste to fine dark chocolate. Savor the final product, and you'll know in the midst of a Costa Rican rainforest why this is known as the "Food of the Gods"





After lunch the group will depart to La Fortuna.

Overnight at: Casa Luna Hotel & Spa

Room Type: Standard Deluxe Room - Breakfast and dinner Included.

Staying Dates: In: Wednesday 06-Sep-2017 Out: Friday 08-Sep-2017 / 2 Nights

DAY 4. Thursday, 07 Sep 17

**(B, L & D)** Today will be an active day. You will visit several attractions of the area, first your friendly neighbour the Arenal Volcano to learn a bit of the colossus, then you will visit a local farm and to end the day a visit to local hotsprings to relax after this active day.

#### Arenal Volcano National Park

Located around 150kms/93miles from San José (around a 3 hour drive), Arenal Volcano National Park is one of Costa Rica's main natural attractions. The park seems to have it all: incredible hiking, panoramic views, abundant wildlife, lush vegetation, and the country's most active volcano. It encompasses around 12000ha/30000acres of protected land, including 8 different life zones.

The bird watching and wildlife spotting at this national park is superb. Of the 850 bird species that inhabit Costa Rica, almost all of them can be found in this region (including the endangered and sublime quetzal). Visitors should keep their eyes open since it is common to spot monkeys, deer, coatis, snakes (such as the infamous fer-de-lance), and even the occasional jaquar.

Nonetheless, the park's main feature is, undoubtedly, Arenal Volcano. Its activity consists mainly of smouldering cinder-blocks as well as vibrant lava emissions down its sides. Although it is safe to be in the vicinity, park officials will not hesitate to close the park if conditions become dangerous (visitor safety is top priority).

The diversity of plant life you will be able to observe while exploring the park is staggering; you will find several species of palms, orchids, heliconias, ferns, strangler figs, bromeliads, and much more. One of the most popular hikes within the park takes visitors through the rainforest, crossing old lava beds, and leading them on a climb to nearby

Cerro Chato, an extinct volcano. Its ancient crater now houses a lagoon and at its peak (1100mts/3609ft. above sea level) you will be privy to some spectacular views.





#### Don Juan Farm Tour with Lunch

This one-hectare farm is located at the foot of Volcán Arenal. A strategically planned system incorporates the natural ecosystem with agriculture. More than 50 different crops are cultivated by hand using organic techniques. Dairy cows, pigs, hens, and tilapia are used as sources of food, fertilizer, and methane gas production. Don Juan Farm's kitchen proudly prepares traditional Costa Rican meals using produce from the farm.

Touring the *finca* is an agriculturally educational experience. Participants learn how methane gas and compost are produced from organic products on the farm. They can also help harvest ingredients for their meal to strengthen their learning process. Visitors have the opportunity to taste tropical crops and discover organic cultivation methods. The finale of the tour is the *troja* (sugar cane press), a place where participants can process sugar cane in a manual press. In addition to enjoying fresh sugar cane juice, sugar cane products are sampled in the form of a candy called *sobado* and *guaro* liquor.

Visitors will enjoy a traditional Costa Rican meal (prepared using a wood stove) in an open-air dining room that borders the forest and river. Guests will find inspiration to incorporate simple organic methods into their gardens and kitchens. Per our request the tour will focus more on the fruits they have on site.

Being a local project, they are open to focus their tour more into the fruits they have at the farm, and the different organic ways they use to cultivate their crops.





#### Ecotermales Fortuna with dinner

Enjoy a healthy and relaxing soak at Ecotermales! Your visit is guaranteed to be unforgettable from the moment you arrive, immersing you in the energy generated by the natural beauty of the surrounding rainforest and the natural volcanic thermal springs. Ecotermales has created 6 elegant areas, with pools of differing temperature (37°C/99°F to 108°F/41°C) and one fresh water cascade. These combine to create a natural spa of endless comfort. You will feel all your worries and stress disappear.





DAY 5. Friday, 08 Sep 17

(B, L & D) This morning before continuing to Sarapiqui you will make a hike, to admire the rainforest from above.

#### Mistico Arenal Hanging Bridges Park

This tour will take you on a guided visit to the splendid forests of the area, famous for their biodiversity. In the company of specialized guide, you will make your way down the trail and learn all about the natural history of the surrounding jungle. Because these forests are located between lowlands and mountains, they are home to species that live in both habitats. They also serve as a biological corridor that allows for the movement of large mammals, including pumas, jaguars, and tapirs. As a result, Puentes del Bosque is a strip of transitional vegetation that gives visitors splendid wildlife spotting opportunities. The bridges on the path offer a special element to the visit, allowing guests to observe the rainforest canopy and its lively activity up close. Up here you will be able to observe different wildlife to what you can usually spot on the rainforest floor, including numerous bird and butterfly species.

Apart from offering a closer look at the local fauna, the bridges also offer a better glimpse of the surrounding flora (including over 700 plant species). This walk makes for a great opportunity for appreciating the shape of trees and their flowers, and particular plant structures that rise above the canopy. Because of its proximity to Arenal Volcano, the vegetation here has been affected by acid rain and ash, giving it particular characteristics (for example, special flower modifications and lithophyte plants – plants that grow only on rock).





#### Becoming a Costa Rican Farmer – Green Lagoon Wellbeing Resort

We start it by picking up most of the ingredients for a delicious Plant-based lunch from our organic gardens. Then, we continue to the kitchen where we get some cooking classes from the Chef, while all together help to prepare the food and have fun. After this, lunch is served.

Then, we'll have a dynamic lecture at the Garden of Eden Farm and Medicinal Plants, given by our local guide. This is the best way to learn about the mysteries of plants and their relation with human health. At the end, we walk through the farm in order to learn, first hand from our specialized workers, how to plant and maintain an organic garden, by using nature stuff only.

Duration: 2 1/2 hours

What to bring: Light clothes, hiking shoes or sneakers, hat, camera, and sunblock.

**Includes:** Lunch, bilingual guide, and a bottle of water.





#### Sarapiqui

Overnight at: Selva Verde Lodge

Room Type: Bungalow – Half board Plan Included

Staying Dates: In: Friday 08-Sep-2017 Out: Saturday 09-Sep-2017 / 1 Night

DAY 6. Saturday, 09 Sep 17

Rainforest Hike (2 hours) - Regular Tour

**(B & D)** Experience first-hand the wonder of exploring a tropical rainforest. Enjoy a personalized and leisurely ramble through Selva Verde's 500 acre private reserve in the company of a knowledgeable naturalist guide. Learn more than just the names of rainforest plants and animals - discover their secret lives and fascinating natural histories. Be on the lookout for monkeys, mot-mots, toucans, and poison dart frogs, and remember to bring your camera!

Caribbean (North)

Overnight at: EARTH University

Room Type: Standard Room at Las Posadas. - All meals Included (B, L & D)

Staying Dates: In: Saturday 09-Sep-2017 Out: Monday 11-Sep-2017 / 2 Nights

DAY 7. Friday, 10 Sep 17

**(B, L & D)** \*Please find on the word document (Earth Uni. Itinerary) the itinerary while you are staying at Earth University.

(B, L & D) Today the group will depart with destination to Turrialba, on the way they will have a stop at:

#### 3 in 1 Tour: Macadamia Nuts, Sugar Cane and coffee

Discover one of the most spectacular valleys in Costa Rica and learn about its ancient traditions. You will get taste of the tropical flavours of sugar cane, coffee, and macadamia nuts. This unique tour demonstrates Costa Rica's history and culture, bringing it to life before your eyes and providing visitors with a profound experience. Enjoy it all: the lovely colonial log house, the beautiful XIX century church (perfectly reconstructed with wonderful stained glass windows), the dream gardens, the aromatic herb garden, the capricious stone labyrinth, the pond, and the mysterious pre-Colombian stone spheres.

Your visit will change your concept of a typical working day out in the fields; you will be immersed in the agricultural aspects of macadamia nut plantations. You will learn about the macadamia nut's process and get the chance to taste its different flavours.

Afterwards, you can leisurely walk around the gardens. The philosophy of protecting the traditions and architectural legacy of Hacienda Sitio de Mata allows guests to admire structures that are more than a century old. During a delicious gourmet Costa Rican lunch, you will enjoy gourmet coffee, delicious macadamia nuts, and the excellent organic sugar, produced at Hacienda Sitio de Mata.

#### **Turrialba**

Overnight at: CATIE (Botanical Garden)

Room Type: Standard Room.

Staying Dates: In: Monday 11-Sep-2017 Out: Wednesday 13-Sep-2017 / 2 Nights

Once at CATIE, similar as Earth University, they will do an introduction of the Center, they work and research.

As welcome activity, you will visit a module where they are experimenting with agriculture on small spaces, this as a tool to cultivate with organic substrates, and reused materials

DAY 9. Tuesday, 12 Sep 17 - CATIE

#### 3 combined tours

**(B, L & D)** The Tropical Agricultural Center for Research and Higher Education (CATIE) has become the prominent regional research and higher education institution in the fields of agriculture, agro forestry and natural resource management. Its integrated approach is renowned for its combination of research, education, training, and technical assistance, all are used as tools to develop and boost the rural sector.

During their visit, you will visit the International Germplasm Collection tour and the Campus guided tour; both of these are combined with the guided Botanical Garden tour.

Among the attractions visitors can find at CATIE, they will be able to enjoy the following collections:

**Coffee Collection:** ranked as the largest coffee collection in all of Latin America and the second most important collection in the world for *Coffea arabica*: 12 species and 1,992 specimens of genetic material. See plants from Ethiopia, Kenya, Tanzania, Colombia, Brazil, Mexico, Guatemala and other countries in America, Africa, and Asia. Learn about the new F1 hybrid, developed from germplasm at CATIE, hybrid that increases production in some instances by as much as 150%.

**Exotic Tree Collection:** more than 95 native and non-native species of trees that provide timber, medicine, fruits, nuts and are used as ornamentals. Discover more than 160 specimens of genetic material from different parts of the tropical world, representing 30 families.

Peach Palm Collection: more than 600 accessions from Costa Rica, Panama, Brazil, Colombia, Peru and Bolivia.

See the brightly colored fruits, ranging from yellow to orange and red to purple—highly esteemed for their nutritive value. Peach palm is the source of heart of palm, which is consumed locally and exported. The technique for producing heart of palm from peach palm was developed by CATIE in the 1970s and spread to the rest of the Americas.

**Achiote or Annatto Collection:** some 100 accessions from Central and South America. The reddish-orange color obtained from the seeds is used as a natural colorant in foods and by the cosmetic and dermatologic industry.

**Guava Collection:** 66 accessions from Brazil, Mesoamerica, and South America. Find out how these fruits are used—fruits that have a high amount of carbohydrates and are rich in carotene, niacin, and ascorbic acid.

The CATIE Campus tour consists of a visit to the Wallace Building, where you will open a window to CATIE's history and learn of its mission while grasping the international scope of its works. In the 1940s, its walls contained classrooms, a dormitory, library, dining room and offices – all under the same roof. Today the Wallace Building is an administrative center for upper management and some of the scientific programs; it includes a bank, travel agency, post office, and a gift shop. Additionally, you can spend time at CATIE's lagoon, where you can observe the varied birdlife found there at close range. CATIE's bird-list indicates that more than 300 species can be spotted on the grounds.

The Botanical Garden is a place where birdsong and the whisper of the gigantic Guanacaste and 100-year-old ceiba trees harmonize with a peace that is palpable. Participants will find delight in the bromeliads and miniature orchids, robust bamboo stands, and a multicolored array of flowering bougainvilleas, heliconias, and gingers.

**Includes** a bilingual specialist guide.

DAY 10. Wednesday, 13 Sep 17

#### Lankester Botanical Garden

(B & D)Named after the British botanist Charles Lankester, this 11ha (27acres) botanical garden harbours over 3000 plant species. Maintained by the University of Costa Rica, conservation and education projects are some of the primary aims of the centre. There are well-maintained trails through the garden, perfect for strolling, and allowing visitors to explore the different micro habitats found within. You will also find secondary pre-montane forest, greenhouses, bromeliads, heliconias, bamboo, cacti, and palms. Additionally, its epiphytes collection is recognized at an international level. Lankester Garden's main feature, though, is its orchid collection; over 1400 orchid species can be found here.

In Cartago, you will make a stop at the local market to see the local products offered in the place.

Then, if the time allow it, you will stop also at Heredia Central Market.

#### Heredia

Overnight at: Bougainvillea Hotel

Room Type: Standard Room - Mountain View - Breakfast and Dinner Included.

Staying Dates: In: Wednesday 13-Sep-2017 Out: Friday 15-Sep-2017/ 2 Nights

DAY 11. Thursday, 14 Sep 17

(B & D) In the Central Valley you will visit Poas Volcano National Park, Corso Lecheria and San José Central Market.

#### Poas Volcano National Park

Poas Volcano National Park is, unsurprisingly, one of Costa Rica's most popular parks. With its volcanic lagoons, fumaroles, and impressive crater, it attracts around 175000 visitors a year. It is located in the province of Alajuela, around 44kms/27miles from San José (approximately an hour long drive). It is one of the most accessible volcanoes in the world, with wheel chair access up the edge of one of its craters.

Poas boasts the second-largest crater in the world (1.3kms/0.8mile in diameter) with a green/yellow lagoon at its centre. At a depth of 305mts/1000ft, it is the largest and most acidic volcanic lagoon on the planet. The trail that leads up to the main crater's overlook is a 750mts/2460ft. long paved path. You will be able to stand at its very edge and admire the magnificent natural display before you.

The volcano also possesses an additional crater where you will find Botos Lagoon; its waters flow down the mountain and feed the Sarapiquí River (one of Costa Rica's main waterways). Arriving at this other crater involves a 0.8kms/0.5mile hike through steep terrain on a path that forks off near the main crater's overlook point. While walking you will find yourself immersed in the amazing forested landscape of the park. Botos Lagoon is surrounded by verdant cloud forest, giant ferns, poor man's umbrella plants, and wildflowers. The end of the trails is a perfect place to enjoy a picnic.

An additional path, the Escalonia Trail, begins near the main picnic area and winds its way across the mountain. With fewer hikers, it is the park's quietest trail and offers more wildlife spotting opportunities.

Poas Volcano National Park is the home of more than 80 bird species; these include sooty robins, black guans, the resplendent quetzal, toucans, flame-throated warblers, squirrel cuckoos, great curassows, purple-throated mountain gems, golden-hooded tanagers, and hummingbirds. Although they are less commonly spotted, Baird's tapirs, coyotes, squirrels, rabbits, and bats also reside within the park's boundaries.

Early morning is the best time, although clouds tend to pass intermittently during the day. A warm jacket or sweater is advised since temperatures can drop to 10°C/50°F.

#### Corso Lecheria tour

This tour takes about two hours, on a walk through the farm boundaries with incredible views and rural landscapes. You will start at the first of 10 stations called: **Rural settings**, where you will a small over view of the site and project, in addition to an explanation about the rural customs and traditions, as well as an overview of local and farm activity. This station is the perfect welcome for all the information offered and for the amazing view of the project. The tour continue at the **Viewpoint of the Colossus**, a wonderful vantage point of Poas Volcano.

Then the tour becomes more ecological, as the station, called **House of the Birds**, is the ideal place for observing and listening to birds. It is also the prelude to discuss the nature of the area as it connects with the station **Forest Trail**, which invites you to enter a path of 300 meters on a secondary cloud forest patch, where you can admire trees species, tree ferns and birds.

Continuing with the hike, we will have a small break at: The Lake of the Grandfather, a small lake surrounded forest.

Afterwards, the most awaited station: The Strawberries Tour. People are amazed walking among strawberry fields, collecting and eating, while the local guide explains every detail of this well- known fruit.

After eating strawberries, what better way to continue the journey than herding cows from their barns to the **Milking Stalls**. Each person will be able to touch and milk the cows. After milking, you will have the cheese tour in the **Factory of Artisan Cheese**, an opportunity to see the entire process and learn more about the culture of cheese. It includes tasting and tries of all the products.





In San José, you will make a stop at the Central market to see the local products offered in the place.

#### DAY 12. Friday, 15 Sep 17

**(B)** At the prearranged time you will be transferred to the Juan Santamaría international airport to take your flight back home.

Approximate driving time: 25 minutes. Distance: 17 Km (11 Miles) Note: Estimated time & distance from a hotel in San Jose.

#### \*\*\*End of the itinerary\*\*\*

**IMPORTANT NOTE:** We are pleased to be sending this proposal to you. At this stage we have confirmed the availability and pricing of this program with the various hotels, but we have not booked or contracted it. As a result until the program is booked, availability and pricing is subject to change without prior notice. The chances of a change(s) increases over time from the date of the proposal. In the event that the original program was not available at the time of booking, Camino would endeavor to maintain the same standard, order, pricing and quality of the hotels originally proposed, but the same cannot be guaranteed.



#### **CAMINO TRAVEL RATES PER PERSON**

Occupancy	10 pax.	12 pax.	14 pax.	16 pax.
Double / Twin	USD 2.456.00	USD 2.338.00	USD 2.244.00	USD 2.176.00

<sup>\*</sup>Valid for the dates mentioned on the program.

Single supplement: USD 401 per person

#### What is included in the program?

#### Hotels:

- La Anita Rainforest Ranch Upala (Standard Room)
- Casa Luna Hotel Arenal (Standard Room)
- Selva Verde Lodge- Sarapiqui (Bungalow)
- Earth University Guapiles (Standard Room)
- CATIE Turrialba (Standard room)
- Bougainvillea Heredia (Standard Mountain View)

#### **Private Transportation:**

Private transportation from Day 1 to Day 12 including airport arrival and departure transfer





#### **Fully Guided Expedition:**

- Transfer in and out English speaking guide.
- Specialist English-speaking guides from day 1 to day 12
- This is a 12 hrs service only per day.

#### **Activities or Tours**

- Farm day tour
- Chocolate tour
- Arenal Volcano National Park Tour
- Don Juan Organic Farm Tour
- Ecotermales Hotsprings
- Hanging Bridges
- Becoming a Costa Rican Farmer
- Rainforest Hike
- Day Tour at Earth University
- Macadamia, Sugar cane and Coffee
- Day tour at CATIE University
- Lankaster Botanic Garden
- Cartago Local Market.
- Poas Volcano National Park Tour
- Corso Lecheria Tour
- San José Central Market.

#### Meals:

All included as mention on the itinerary

- B: Breakfast
- L: Lunch
- D: Dinner

#### **Others**

- Meet & Greet at the airport
- Information package

#### Not Included:

- Personal Spending Money
- Meals where not listed
- Drinks
- International Flights
- Travel Insurance
- Airport departure taxes
- Border taxes or fees
- Departure taxes \$29.00

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#### **CAMINO TRAVEL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

#### **PAYMENT TERMS**

Upon approval of the proposed itinerary or services by the client, a written confirmation must be submitted to Camino Travel, please note that otherwise stated, availability and pricing is subject to change until written confirmation from the suppliers is received by Camino Travel.

In the event that the original program is not available at the time of booking, Camino Travel would endeavor to maintain the same standard, order, pricing and quality of the hotels originally proposed, but the same cannot be guaranteed until the services are confirmed.

- 1. 25% deposit needed at the time of reservation
- 2. Full payment must be done 35 days prior arrival
- 3. For peak season full payment must be completed by September 1st
- 4. Certain hotels may require additional deposits to guarantee space, especially during the high & peak season. Camino Travel will advise the client if any additional amount is required.
- 5. Important: a copy of the deposit with the client's invoice or reservation number must be sent by email so that Camino Travel knows the deposit has been processed.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

- 1. Any cancellations must be made at least 30 days prior to the arrival date stated in the reservation. It must be made via email (using the same email address used for making the reservation). The cancellation becomes effective on the date the written notice is received, by email, at our Reservations Office. All cancellations must be confirmed as received by Camino Travel for them to be considered valid. If a refund is applicable and adheres to the policies, the corresponding amount will be refunded.
- 2. The refund will show up on your bank account or credit card statement as a transaction by Viajes Camino del Sol S.A (doing business as Camino Travel).
- 3. The following policies apply when making a cancellation:
  - 45 days prior to arrival date: your deposit will be refunded minus a \$320USD handling fee.
  - 44 to 30 days prior to arrival: 30% of the amount is subject to forfeiture.
  - 29 to 15 days prior to arrival, 50% of the amount is subject to forfeiture.
  - 14 days prior to arrival, 100% of the total amount is subject to forfeiture.
- 4. If Camino Travel receives any cancellation charges on part of Paypal, VISA or MASTER CARD credit card companies, this will be deducted on top of the \$150USD handling fee stated above.
- 5. Some hotels, tour coordinators and service providers charge a guarantee deposit in advance when making a reservation. If this charge applies, it will be deduced from your deposit on top of the \$150USD handling fee.
- 6. Certain hotels and transportation providers have severely strict cancellation and refund policies. These vary according to the hotel and depending on each cancellation circumstance and the time of year. Our account executives will inform you directly in regards to any special conditions or peak season cancellation policies, any air transfer cancellation policies and/or modification policies. Some suppliers do not make any refunds.
- 7. Peak Season takes place from December 19th through to January 5th and Easter Week. High Season takes place from November 15th to December 18th, January 06th through to April 30th and July 1st to August 31st. Green Season takes place from May 1st through June 30th and September 01st to November 14th.
- 8. Camino Travel will not authorize, under any circumstances, any refunds for late cancellations, unused portions of packages or no shows.
- 9. Camino Travel strongly recommends for clients to purchase trip cancellation insurances.

#### CLIENT'S CLAIMS

Any possible discounts or deductions due to complaints or claims from clients must be established by mutual agreement between the supplier of the activity y and the direct client on site.

#### IMPOSSIBILITY OF PERFORMANCE

It is agreed that Viajes Camino del Sol S.A. (D.B.A Camino Travel) will be relieved of its obligations in the event of natural disasters, fire, strike lockout, order of government authorities or any reasonable circumstances beyond its control.

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Viajes Camino del Sol S.A. (D.B.A Camino Travel) will maintain any information received on part of any client or guest completely private; said information will only be used in our facilities. The information that is shared or given on the website will not be provided to any other source. This information will be used solely by Viajes Camino del Sol S.A. under penalty of applicable law.

#### RESPONSIBILITY

Our responsibility in regards to all our trips:

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Camino Travel and/or its agents accept no responsibility for losses or additional expenses due to delays or changes in flight schedules, loss of (or damage to) baggage or any article belonging to the passengers, sickness, personal health, weather, strikes, roads and trails' conditions, river levels, delays in transportation, wars, accidents, chance, force major or other reasons. Such losses or expenses will be borne by the passenger, as tour rates provide for arrangements only for the time stated. Many of the activities involved in the tours may be inappropriate for those people with severe health problems or physical disabilities. It is the passenger's responsibility to judge the appropriateness of these activities considering his or her physical capabilities.

**NOTE:** Camino Travel is an inbound tour operator that organizes ground operations. Therefore it does not take responsibility for matters relating to entry requirements into Costa Rica (such as visas, health clearances or immigration regulations) or international flight arrangements (such as delays, connection times, cancelations or detours to other countries). The clients are responsible for all of these matters. In the event that there are any changes to a client's international travel arrangements, the client must inform Camino Travel of any such changes. In the event of a cancellation or delay the cancellation policies set out elsewhere in these Terms and Conditions will apply. Please consider that, regardless the particular time of year your trip is to be done, expected weather can change, and Camino Travel does not hold responsibility for any nature conditions or wildlife sightings.

#### Trip members' responsibilities:

Trip members are responsible to select a program appropriate to their abilities and interests. In order to assist you with the suitable itinerary we are happy to discuss the program, and provide you with the experience granted by our professionalism of the program you are interested in. Trip members are held responsible for being in good health to undertake the trip and also for preparing for the trip by studying the itinerary and pre-departure information packages, for bringing the appropriate clothing, equipment and personal documentation as advised therein, such as: required visas, immunization, vaccinations, etc., which vary according to the origin and/or nationality of the participant and the area to visit.