



## Puntarenas, Costa Rica

To Spanish explorers, the rumors of gold and vast riches could only mean that this section of Central America was the costa rica - the "rich coast."

Hailed as the Switzerland of the Americas, Costa Rica occupies a unique position, lying between two oceans and two continents. On both coasts, tropical rainforests rise to the mountains of the interior, many of which soar over 13,000 feet above sea level. In the west, a seemingly endless succession of white-sand beaches forms the nation's Pacific coast. Puntarenas is your gateway to Costa Rica's wonders--and to its capital city of San Jose.

### 1 San Jose

Costa Rica's vibrant capital city is home to the Gold Museum, the spectacular Metropolitan Cathedral and the historic National Museum, the scene of fighting during the 1948 civil war.

### 2 National Theater

The National Theater is considered to be Costa Rica's most beautiful building. It features ornate 19th-century, neo-Classical architecture, elaborate murals, and gilded baroque fixtures.

### 3 Coffee Plantation

Coffee production has always played a key role in the country's history and is important for the economy. Tour their sprawling plantations to discover how coffee is produced, from bean to cup.

### 4 Poas Volcano

The Poas Volcano, Costa Rica's natural wonder, sits at 8,500 feet above sea level. It is one of the few active craters in the Americas, and is famed for its geyser-like eruptions of gas and ash.

### 5 Sarchi

Sarchi, a friendly rural village, is famous for its talented local artists who paint and decorate traditional oxcarts in intricate, vivid designs. It is also home to the largest oxcart in the world.

### 6 Monteverde

The Monteverde Cloud Forest is a stunning conservation center. Home to hundreds of species of wild birds and mammals, it also boasts a mini vintage train ride through the clouds.

### 7 Arenal Volcano/Thermal Springs

Set near glorious Lake Arenal, this incredible volcano is one of the ten most active volcanoes in the world, and is also famous for its natural mineral hot springs and exuberant vegetation.

### 8 Canopy Tour

The Original Canopy Tour ® is a super-fun zip-line adventure through the stunning forest canopy, and a unique way to discover Costa Rica's spectacular jungle and incredible wildlife.

## Nature & Wildlife



### Costa Rica's Favorites With Lunch

PA4-105 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Experience Costa Rica's lush rainforest canopy up-close on a breath-taking open-air gondola ride, followed by a jungle cruise along the magnificent Tarcoles River, home to Central America's largest crocodile colony.

Points of Interest information not available for this excursion

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### Pacific Aerial Tram With Lunch

PA4-202 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

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**Poas Volcano & Sarchi With Lunch**  
PA4-320 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Travel to an active volcano in the cloud forest some 8,300 feet above sea level, explore the wild landscape, then enjoy a traditional Costa Rican lunch, before visiting the charming artisan community of Sarchi.



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**Carara National Park & Lunch - New!**  
PA4-360 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Discover the beauty of Costa Rica at Carara National Park, a favorite destination for bird-watchers, on this fascinating guided nature walk through the lush forest, before enjoying a delicious lunch at a scenic mountain retreat.

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from **\$99**  
approx. **7 hours**



**Monteverde Cloud Forest with Lunch**  
PA4-362 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Take a guided walk through the clouds on a thrilling day excursion to the breath-taking Monteverde Cloud Forest, then visit a delightful hummingbird garden and insect museum before enjoying lunch in the sky.



from **\$129**  
approx. **9 hours**



**Forest Sky Walk & Pura Vida Gardens**  
PA4-365 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Immerse yourself in the charm of Costa Rica on a visit to a private tropical forest preserve where you will walk across suspension bridges through the forest canopy. Then enjoy lunch at the beautifully manicured Pura Vida Gardens. |

Points of Interest information not available for this excursion

from **\$119**  
approx. **8 hours**



**Tropical Train Ride & Nature Cruise**  
PA4-600 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Travel back in time on the historic Pacific Railroad, once used to transport Costa Rica's valuable coffee harvests, then enjoy a stunning nature cruise on the wonderfully vibrant Tarcoles River.

Points of Interest information not available for this excursion

from **\$69**  
approx. **5 hours**



**Monteverde Cloud Forest Train Ride**  
PA4-605 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Travel in comfort through the breath-taking jungle of the Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve aboard one of Costa Rica's newest attractions - a custom-built locomotive, reminiscent of the Old West. |



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PA4-610 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Board a boat at the mouth of the Tarcoles River for a gentle cruise through the beautiful Guacalillo Estuary, a world-renowned site for exotic birds and crocodile spotting. |

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**Sightseeing & City Tours**



**Scenic Drive to San Jose with Lunch**  
PA4-100 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Discover Costa Rica's beautiful landscape on this day-long excursion featuring a scenic drive through the vibrant capital city, tours of the famed National Theater and National Museum, plus a delicious traditional lunch.



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**Discover Costa Rica with Lunch**  
PA4-107 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

This fascinating day trip includes a visit to Costa Rica's famous Palmares church and the Doka Estate coffee plantation, before a tasty lunch and a tour of the magnificent botanical gardens at La Garita. |



from **\$74**

approx. **8 hours**



**Panoramic Scenic Drive**  
PA4-110 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

This tour is designed for those who wish to experience the beautiful Costa Rican countryside with minimal walking, including visits to the Orotina fruit market and Esparza, a rural town where you will enjoy a traditional dance performance. |

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from **\$39 (AUD)**

approx. **3 hours**



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**Panoramic Scenic Drive - Accessible**  
PA4-111 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

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**Activities & Adventures**



**Arenal Volcano, Hot Springs & Lunch**  
PA4-295 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Tour the beautiful lake that surrounds the active yet serene Arenal Volcano, before relaxing at a nearby hot springs resort, where thermal pools are warmed by the mountain.



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**The Original CanopyTour® Zipline**  
PA4-400 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

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approx. **4.5 hours**

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### Corobici River-Raft Float With Lunch

PA4-738 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

Travel to the breath-taking Guanacaste Province for a super-fun, laid-back raft trip down the magnificent Rio Corobici, home to a wide variety of wildlife, including otters, monkeys, anteaters and iguanas.

Points of Interest information not available for this excursion



from \$79

approx. 7 hours

### Special Interests



### Countryside & Coffee Tour

PA4-210 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

No trip to Costa Rica would be complete without a cultural coffee tour. Travel through the countryside to the stunning Espiritu Santo plantation and explore the coffee-making process from bean to cup.



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approx. 5.5 hours



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PA4-240 | Puntarenas, Costa Rica

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