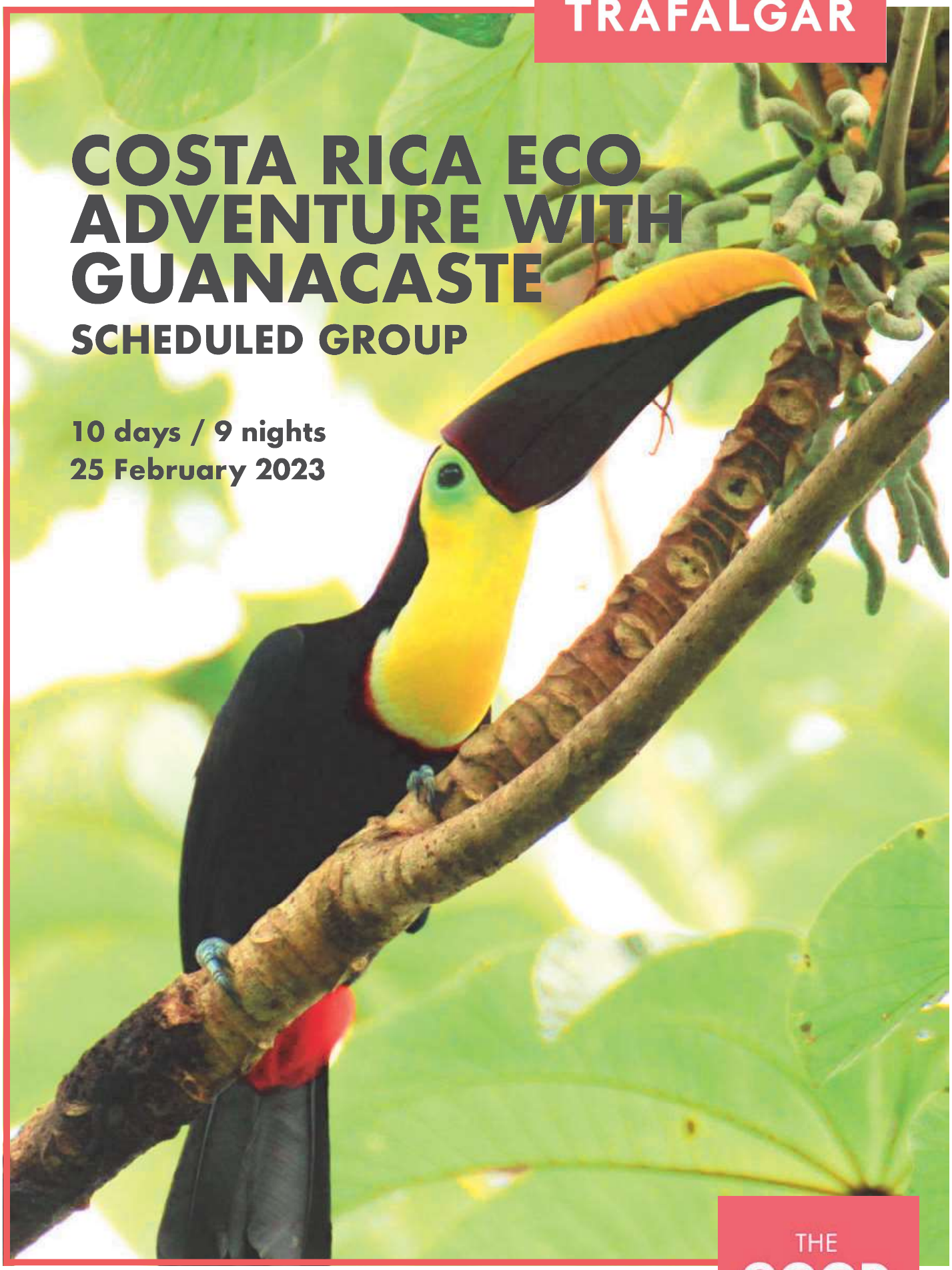
TRAFALGAR

COSTA RICA ECO ADVENTURE WITH GUANACASTE

SCHEDULED GROUP

10 days / 9 nights
25 February 2023



THE GOOD LIFE

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prepared for – Bob Buser and Friends

INCLUDED

* Roundtrip airfare from/to BWI

- Dining Highlights
  - 1 Farewell Dinner
  - 1 Welcome Reception
  - 2 Be My Guests
  - 3 Dinners
  - 3 Lunches
  - 9 Breakfasts
- First class travel Highlights
  - All hotel tips, charges and local taxes
  - Cherry-picked hotels, all tried and trusted
  - All porterage and restaurant gratuities
  - An expert Travel Director and professional Driver
  - Breakfast daily and up to half of your evening meals
  - Must-see sightseeing and surprise extras
  - Audio headsets for flexible sightseeing
  - All transport and transfers shown
  - Luxury air-conditioned coach with Wi-Fi in most countries or alternative transportation (such as rail journeys)
  - Optional Experiences and free time

TRIP GLOSSARY

visit – In-depth sightseeing with a Local Specialist or your Travel Director, includes fast track entry (where applicable).

view – A brief stop to take in the sight and capture photos.

see – See the sight while driving by on the coach.

- WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED
  - No early check in/late checkout included.
  - Travel insurance, visas and items of a personal nature.
  - Gratuities to Travel Director, Coach Drivers and local Experts.
  - A Wellbeing Director.
  - Expense of any required PCR or Antigen tests.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Sightseeing Highlights
  - Visit Tortuguero National Park, Sarapiqui, Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve
  - View Arenal Volcano
  - Connect with Locals Visit a local Tico family's palm plantation to learn about and taste the delicate heart of palm.Visit the Quintana family's Hacienda Pozo Azul and discover how they reduce their carbon footprint and support the local community.Tonight you'll enjoy some time with the owners of your hotel, providing a unique experience, as they prepare a special BBQ meal just for you.
  - Dive Into Culture Meet master chocolatiers, Julio Fernandez and George Soriano, to learn about the history of chocolate and how it is produced at this small workshop.
  - MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® The Sea Turtle Conservancy Tortuguero Visitor Center is an educational center located in the heart of Tortuguero National Park, one of the most important sea turtle nesting sites in the world for green turtles.

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DAY 1 : 25 February 2023
Welcome to San José
Learn the secrets of Pura Vida – Costa Rica's inimitable zest for life that will linger throughout your effortlessly delivered encounter with a land that boasts no artificial ingredients. This evening, join your Travel Director and fellow expeditioners for a Welcome Reception.
Meal(s):Welcome Reception
Hotel(s): Sheraton San Jose

DAY 2 : 26 February 2023
Discover the natural beauty of Tortuguero National Park
Journey to San Isidro de Heredia, where we'll Dive into Culture with master chocolatiers, Julio Fernandez and George Soriano, to learn about the history of chocolate and how it is produced at this small workshop. Then, it's on to Siquirres where we'll embark on a river journey with a Local Specialist through protected wetlands to secluded Tortuguero. Enjoy a MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience in the heart of Tortuguero with a visit to the Sea Turtle Conservancy Tortuguero Visitor Center. Later, we enjoy dinner at our hotel this evening accompanied by the enchanting sounds of resident cicadas and tree frogs.
Meal(s):Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner
Hotel(s): Laguna Lodge Tortuguero

DAY 3 : 27 February 2023
Visit the wildlife of Tortuguero National Park
Cruise the canals and streams of the park today with a Local Specialist as howler monkeys watch from the treetops, toucans and egrets fly through the air and crocodiles ply the cool waters. Visit the Village of Tortuguero. If you are here between July and September, take an optional tour to see the sea turtles laying eggs on the beach.
Meal(s):Breakfast, Lunch, Dinner

DAY 4 : 28 February 2023
Sample heart of palm in Sarapiquí
Bid adiós to Tortuguero and head back to the mainland where we'll enjoy lunch before meeting the Tico family for a Connect With Locals experience at their palm plantation. There you'll learn about and sample the delicate heart of palm. Tonight you'll enjoy a Be My Guest with the owners of your hotel, providing a Connect With Locals experience, as they prepare a special BBQ meal just for you.
Meal(s):Breakfast, Lunch, Be My Guest
Hotel(s): La Quinta Sarapiqui Lodge

DAY 5 : 01 March 2023
Mingle with Locals in Saripiqui
Rise with the sun to get up close and personal with Costa Rica's exquisite nature during a leisurely hike. Keep a lookout for the endangered great green macaw and connect with your beautiful natural surroundings. Embark on an optional rafting trip^ later this morning. We Connect With Locals this afternoon, enjoying a Be My Guest lunch at an eco-friendly hacienda built by the Quintana family as a retirement project. Today, it is home to an organic farm and related eco-adventures. Learn how your MAKE TRAVEL MATTER® Experience contributes to the local community. Our journey continues to Arenal Volcano, on whose slopes we spend the afternoon relaxing in our resort's beautifully landscaped thermal pools.
Meal(s):Breakfast, Be My Guest
Hotel(s): Arenal Paraiso Resort and Spa

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DAY 6 : 02 March 2023
Immerse in the stories of Monteverde Cloud Forest
Our soul-stirring encounter with Costa Rica's natural wonders continues after a morning at leisure. Straddle the Continental Divide and touch the sky in Monteverde Cloud Forest, where you'll have an opportunity to explore this biodiverse sanctuary, renowned for its collection of orchid species – more than in any other single place. Tonight, you will Connect With Locals as you meet a native Quaker, and Local Specialist, who will share stories of Old Town Monteverde and delve into the history of the American Quakers who settled in the area in the 1950s. This evening, relish some of the best views as you enjoy dinner.
Meal(s):Breakfast, Dinner
Hotel(s): El Establo Mountain

DAY 7 : 03 March 2023
Wander the Monteverde Cloud Forest
This morning, join your Local Specialist guide for an excursion through the lush rainforests of Monteverde Cloud Forest Reserve. We ascend to the treetops high above the jungle floor below, treading lightly along the Sky Walk^ suspension bridges amongst the wildlife that find sanctuary in the boughs of the surrounding canopy. As our epic eco-adventure nears its end, we share stories with newfound friends at a Farewell Dinner.
Meal(s):Breakfast, Farewell Dinner

DAY 8 : 04 March 2023
On the shores of Guanacaste
Check in to your seaside resort in the Guanacaste surfing town of Tamarindo Beach.
Meal(s):Breakfast
Hotel(s): Tamarindo Diria Beach Resort

DAY 9 : 05 March 2023
Surf and play in Guanacaste
Settle in for a day at leisure. Relax on the beach, learn how to surf or go shopping in the nearby Tamarindo Village.
Meal(s):Breakfast

DAY 10 : 06 March 2023
Depart Liberia
Transfer to Liberia International Airport for your flight or consider extending your stay to soak up the sun-kissed shores of Costa Rica.
Meal(s):Breakfast

Per Person Pricing:
$3579.00 double occupancy
$4609.00 single occupancy

Deposit Due:
$200.00 per person

Cancel Policy (per person):
Up to Dec 27, 2022 – $200.00
Dec 28, 2022 – Feb 9, 2023 – 30% penalty
Feb 10 – 17, 2023 – 50% penalty
Feb 18 – 24, 2023 – 90% penalty
Feb 25, 2023 – No show – 100%

Final Payment Due:
November 28, 2022

Travel Insurance:
Highly recommended - ask for details

Valid U.S. passport with at least 6 months validity from scheduled return date is required per person

** Vaccination Requirements and Other Rules: We have no responsibility for COVID-19-related requirements that travel suppliers and governments may impose from time to time, such as required vaccinations, health affidavit forms, COVID-19 screenings prior to departure or upon arrival, face coverings, or quarantines. For the latest COVID-19 government travel regulations, we recommend going to IATA's website at https://www.iatatravelcentre.com/international-travel-document-news/1580226297.htm. For the latest travel supplier requirements, check the website of each supplier, and keep checking because these rules are constantly changing, and we are not responsible for those changes.

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