

COSTA RICA & PANAMA - LUXURY RAFTING AT THE PACUARE LODGE



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DURATION

5 Days

LOCATIONS

Costa Rica



INTRODUCTION

The Pacuare Lodge's eco-friendly bungalows are surrounded by exuberant tropical foliage, nestled between the river and a private nature reserve, which conserves 300 hectares (740 acres) of primary rainforest. At the Pacuare Lodge, you can bird watch, hike, swim, fish, explore the rainforest canopy, visit a traditional indigenous community, or simply relax

ITINERARY

DAY 1: Arrival transfer in San Jose

On arrival, please make your way through to the Arrivals Hall where our representative will be waiting for you to transfer you to your hotel. He/she will be holding a sign with your name on it. Should you not be able to locate them, please refer to the front of your itinerary for emergency contact details of our representative office.



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DAY 1: San Jose

San Jose, the capital and largest city of Costa Rica, sits in the Central Valley region overlooked by volcanoes to the north and the Talamanca Mountains to the south. It is the cultural capital of Costa Rica, offering many museums including the Pre-Columbian Gold Museum that displays hundreds of gold artefacts. In the historic neighbourhoods of San Jose, Spanish colonial mansions have been converted into galleries, boutique hotels and restaurants.



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DAY 2: Transfer San José to Pacuare

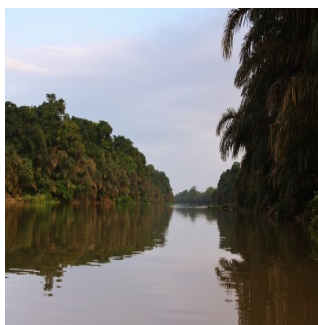
6:00 -7:00 am: Early morning pick-up from your hotel in San Jose. Transportation service (approximately 2½ hours) to our Pacuare River put-in including a typical Costa Rican breakfast in route. Exciting 1-1½ hour river rafting tour to the Pacuare Lodge (class II-III rapids) where you will enjoy a two night stay at Costa Rica's premier eco-lodge. Arrival to the Pacuare Lodge between 12:00 - 1:00 pm. Free afternoon to take an optional canopy tour (not included in package price), to hike to a pristine waterfall or simply relax in your private bungalow. Dine on gourmet delicacies by candlelight and then visit the upstairs lounge for a cocktail or refreshment before leaving to a restful night's sleep.



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DAY 3: Pacuare Free Day

Day at leisure to enjoy Pacuare area, take optional tours, stay and take advantage of the facilities of the hotel.



DAY 4: Transfer Pacuare to San José

Departure between 9:00-10:00 am. In the morning you will depart by raft for an even more fun-filled day of white water rating excitement (approximately 3½ hours over class III-IV rapids), including a delicious picnic lunch along the river. At our river take-out, you will have a chance to change before being transferred by private minibus back to your hotel. Arrival back in San Jose between 5:30-6:30 pm.



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DAY 5: Departure transfer

You will be collected from your hotel at the appropriate time and transferred to the airport for your onward flight.



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INCLUSIONS & DETAILS

Accommodation	Standard
Inclusions	Guided Tours Pacuare river rafting tour with guides Accommodation Transport All meals
Difficulty Rating	1 (easy)
Single Surcharge	Available upon request
Notes	Contact us for more details
Price Dependent upon	Season and availability

SUSTAINABILITY

Chimu Adventures undertakes a number of sustainability measures within its operations including:

- 1) Only using local guides and office staff to both maximise local employment opportunities and minimise carbon footprints. Local guides also ensure you benefit from the intimate knowledge, passion and culture of the country you’re visiting.
- 2) Where possible, using locally owned and operated boutique hotels to maximise the return to the local community.
- 3) Chimu’s “Pass it on” programme has provided funding to hundreds of local community projects in Latin America. Our aim is to empower local communities, helping them to

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develop their own infrastructure for the future. Since 2006, we have been working with Kiva (a well-known Non-Governmental Organisation), providing hundreds of loans to local businesses all over South America.

4) In our pre tour information we provide a range of tips and advice on how to minimise your impact on both local environments and communities.

5) Chimu Adventures’ offices also take a number of sustainability measures including carbon offsets for company vehicles and most staff travel. Chimu Adventure’s internal processes are also structures to create a paperless office and to reduce waste. There are also internal programmes to help staff minimise their carbon footprint such as our staff bike purchase assistance plan which encourages office staff to commute to work via

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