



Costa Rica Real Estate Discovery Trip, Buenaventura Open House & Eco-Adventure Rainforest Retreat

Dates: Jan 16th, 2010 - Jan 21st, 2010
(4 day/3 Night Optional Pacific Coast excursion Jan 21st - Jan 24th)

Join an exploratory (and fun eco-adventure) group trip (10 pax max) with your host and bilingual guide Harlow Salvador to survey properties for sale in the River Division Valley, including 5 river-front lots in Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village... and spend a few days retreating from the Winter Cold to Activate, Rejuvenate and Immerse Yourself at Buenaventura and along the Central Pacific Coastline of Costa Rica!

Overview of Nights:

January 16th - 21st, 2010 (at Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village located River Division Valley)

January 21st - 24th, 2010 (optional beach excursion to Dominical, Matapalo, Manuel Antonio and Playa Hermosa/Jaco)

Lodging:

In River Division Valley (5 nights):

At Buenaventura: See Lodging Options at: www.buenaventuracr.com/rooms

In Manuel Antonio (2 nights):

At Hotel Verde Mar (www.verdemar.com) or Hotel Karahe (www.karahe.com)

In Playa Hermosa/Jaco (1 night):

At Hotel Terraza del Pacifico (www.terrazadelpacifico.com) or Hotel Cocal (www.hotelcocalandcasino.com)

Day to Day Travel Itinerary:

If traveling from SF, LA or NYC, we suggest taking TACA Airlines red-eye flights for best flight times and schedule.

DAY 1: 01/16 (Saturday) - Pick up group at San Jose Airport or nearby hotels at 10:30 am / Transfer to San Isidro in Private Shuttle Bus (3 hour drive) / Stop for lunch at La Georgina Restaurant (overlooking Cerro de La Muerte) / Transfer in 4x4 SUVs to Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village/Buenaventura (1 hour drive) / Check in / Group Dinner / Stay 1st night in Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village

DAY 2: 01/17 (Sunday) - Breakfast at Tres Semillas / Orientation Day of Buenaventura, Tres Semillas Organic Farm and Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village / Stay 2nd night in Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village

DAY 3: 01/18 (Monday) - Real Estate Discovery Day / Visit & Survey River-front lots for sale in the area / Spend afternoon hanging out at the river / Stay 3rd night in Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village

DAY 4: 01/19 (Tuesday) - Las Pilas Hiking Tour with guides Harlow and Gerardo (Swimming pools and natural water slides in the rainforest) / Afternoon Downtime to relax in a hammock or by the river / Stay 4th night in Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village

DAY 5: 01/20 (Wednesday) - Free Day (Tour properties and homes for sale in El Llano or spend the day relaxing and hanging out at the river or volunteer for a few hours helping a poor family paint their home (paints/materials are provided through our 5% Local Community fund) / Stay 5th night in Buenaventura's Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village

DAY 6: 01/21 (Thursday) – Travel Day Home / Depart Buenaventura in the morning in 4x4 taxis / Option to attend 1 hour presentation from local realty and legal partners / Transfer from San Isidro to San Jose / Check in for late afternoon flight (suggest TACA flight back to SF, NYC, LA, etc.) / Arrive back in U.S. in late evening

OPTIONAL 4 Day/3 Night Pacific Coast Excursion:

DAY 6: 01/21 (Thursday) – Transfer to San Isidro / Option to attend 1 hour presentation from local realty and legal partners / Transfer to Manuel Antonio / Check into Hotel Karahe or Hotel Verde Mar / Spend Afternoon hanging out at the beach (downtime) / Group dinner at Café del Mar Restaurant / Spend 6th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 7: 01/22 (Friday) – Option to visit properties and homes for sale with local realty companies (or Canopy Zipline with Canopy Safari) / Spend Afternoon hanging out at the beach (downtime) / Group dinner at Blue Marlin / Spend 7th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 8: 01/23 (Saturday) – Transfer to Jaco / Check into Hotel Cocal or Terraza del Pacifico / Option to visit properties and condos/homes for sale with local realty companies or Spend Afternoon hanging out at the beach (downtime) / Group dinner in Jaco / Dancing & Bar hoping / Spend 8th night in Jaco

DAY 9: 01/24 (Sunday) – Travel Day Home / Transfer to San Jose airport / Check in for afternoon flight (suggest TACA flight back to SF, NYC, LA, etc.) / Arrive back in US in late evening

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Explore Costa Rica's Real Estate & Investment Opportunities...

+ Learn about Owning Real Estate and Investment Opportunities in the River Division Valley of Costa Rica with your trip guide and Buenaventura host and proprietor Harlow Salvador, who owns 10 properties in the area including Buenaventura, his eco-lodge project on 180 acres of river-front rainforest property

+ View and Tour 5 river-front eco-lots for sale located in Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village, as well as other Properties in the River Division Valley that are for sale ranging from Small Lots with Homes along the River, to Small and Large Farms and Properties with Fertile Soil, Fresh Water Springs, Fruit Trees and Hardwoods, Waterfalls, Creeks, Rivers, Mountains, and Old-Growth Rainforest & Jungle...

+ Option to attend a short 1 hour presentation with BuenaTierra's local realty partner, Chirripo Realty and local legal partner, Vargas Abogados Law Firm about Owning Real Estate or Short and Long Term Living & Retirement Opportunities in Costa Rica

+ Option to scout and view properties for sale along the Pacific Coast, including in Dominical, Matapalo, Manuel Antonio, Esterillos and Playa Hermosa/Jaco.

Open House at Buenaventura for Group Leaders...

+ If you're interested in hosting a group retreat, wedding, event or festival at Buenaventura, this is an opportunity to survey and visit the Buenaventura grounds

Activate Your Adventurous Spirit and Physical Body to...

+ Trek through Buenaventura's 180 acre Eco-Adventure Rainforest Park & Private Wildlife Reserve bordering the Los Santos Forest Reserve

+ Spot Toucans and Hundreds of other Colorful & Tropical Birds around Buenaventura

+ Jump in the River and Soak and Slide at Las Pilas Creek's Waterfalls, Swimming Holes & Natural Water Slides

Rejuvenate Your Body, Mind & Spirit...

- + Practice Yoga and Meditation in True Serenity
- + Paint Your Dream on Buenaventura's Dream Wall
- + Refresh Yourself and Massage Your Body under the BuenaFortuna & Las Pilas Waterfalls surrounded in the Rainforest
- + Rejuvenate Your Skin with "Do-It-Yourself Natural Spa Treatments" using Natural and Pure Organic Clays found along Pavas Creek for Pure Facial Cleanses and Full Body Exfoliations
- + Zen Out on a Rock while Listening to the Symphonic and Healing Sounds of the Rainforest Around You
- + Breathe in Fresh & Pure Oxygen & Drink Fresh Spring Water that has Healing & Long-term Living Qualities
- + Nourish Yourself with Healthy & Fresh Home-Grown Organic Meals and Fresh Natural Fruit Juices
- + Learn How to Milk A Cow and Make Fresh Cheese and other Organic Natural Dairy Products
- + Harvest Your Meal from the Buenaventura Organic Crop Fields, Herb & Salad Gardens & Tropical Fruit Orchards
- + Plant A Tree or Lend A Helping Hand in the Nursery
- + Harvest and Press Sugar Cane to Make Fresh Sugar Cane Juice and "Tapa de Dulce" (Crude Sugar used as a natural sweetener)

Immerse Yourself in Costa Rican Culture...

- + Visit Small Rural Towns and Communities where Local "Ticos" Live in a Mountainous Valley of Rolling-Open Hills and dense Tropical Rainforest and Wilderness
- + Connect with Local "Ticos" and meet the Newton-Saenz Bi-Cultural Family that runs Buenaventura
- + Learn Spanish and Popular Costa Rican Words, Cultural & Urban Phrases & Humorous Slang
- + Experience Costa Rican Farm & Country Living "Where the Country Meets the Rainforest" at Buenaventura
- + Option to Volunteer for a couple hours helping paint the Elementary School or Teaching an English Class in El Llano, a Small Rural Town & Community near Buenaventura

... and Have Fun along the way with Good Tunes and Good Times, while Minimizing our Travel Eco-Footprint and Supporting & Patronizing Locally-owned Businesses and Communities and Respecting our Visit to the People and Land of Pura Vida!

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Costa Rica Real Estate Discovery Trip, Buenaventura Open House & Eco-Adventure Rainforest Retreat Packages*:

Trip Packages include 5 Nights Lodging at Buenaventura, Ground Transfers, Tours, Meals, etc.**		
Type of Accommodation	Double Occupancy	Single Occupancy
Posada de Sueños Package	\$ 1,530.00	\$ 765.00
Cabina del Rio Package	\$ 1,505.00	\$ 940.00
Casita Milagro Package	\$ 1,630.00	\$ 1,065.00
SalvaDanta Package	\$ 1,630.00	\$ 1,065.00

*Not Including Airfare (see below for what's not included)

** See below for complete list of "What's Included in Trip Packages"

With Optional 4 Day/3 Night Pacific Ocean Excursion

Buenaventura (5 Nights) + 4day/3 Night Excursion Packages		
Type of Accommodation	Double Occupancy	Single Occupancy
Posada de Sueños Package	\$ 2,430.00	\$ 1,395.00
Cabina del Rio Package	\$ 2,405.00	\$ 1,570.00
Casita Milagro Package	\$ 2,530.00	\$ 1,695.00
Casita SalvaDanta Package	\$ 2,530.00	\$ 1,695.00

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PACKAGES:

All Packages include the following:

- * Lodging in Pueblo Nuevo Eco-Village (choice of staying in the Posada, Cabina, or Casitas)
- * Lodging at Hotels during the Optional 4 Day/3 Night Pacific Coast excursion (Hotel Karahe or Verde Mar in Manuel Antonio and Hotel Terraza del Pacifico or Hotel Cocal in Jaco/Hermosa)
- * Round-Trip Ground Transfers to/from Buenaventura from San Jose Airport and Ground Transfers for Optional Pacific Coast Excursion from San Isidro to San Jose Airport
- * 3 Organic Home-Grown and Home-Cooked Costa Rican country-style Meals served Family Buffet Style during your stay at Buenaventura only
- * Unlimited Fresh Tropical Fruit Juices, Café, Tea, and Rainforest Fruit & Nut Snacks during your stay at Buenaventura only
- * Two Guided Eco-Activities with Buenaventura Guide (Orientation & Farm Tour of Buenaventura and Las Pilas Waterfalls/Swimming Pools Rainforest Hiking Tour)
- * Entrance Pass to Buenaventura's 180 acre Eco-Adventure Park & Wildlife Rainforest Reserve
- * Tips for drivers, local guides, housekeeping, cooks, etc.
- * All Travel Arrangements by Tico Guide Travel (air, ground, lodging, activities, etc.)
- * In-country Travel Facilitator and Real Estate Trip Guide (Harlow Salvador)
- * Large Deck/Platform available to do Yoga, Meditation, Lounging, etc.
- * Lots of Free Activities!

WHAT'S NOT INCLUDED IN THE TRIP PACKAGE COST:

* International Airfare to Costa Rica (Suggest TACA Airlines flights from SFO, LAX or JFK) Fares are \$650.00 right now for roundtrip flights from SFO to SJO on Jan 16th – Jan 24th

(You can find cheaper flights on other carriers, but their flight times aren't as good as TACA's, and you might have to overnight on your first or last night near the airport, which will cost anywhere from \$40-\$100 and you'll have to either arrive one day early or leave one day later. If you have United Miles, TACA is affiliated with United, so you might be able to use your miles for these flight dates. Please check with United directly).

* All meals & drinks during Optional Pacific Coast excursion (~\$100-\$150)

* Any Additional Tours and Activities in Manuel Antonio (~\$70-\$100)

* Laundry & Gifts (~\$50)

* \$26 Airport Exit Tax

* Travel Medical and Trip Cancellation Insurance (Required - ~\$125 for 7 day trip)

ESTIMATED* TOTAL FOR COSTS NOT INCLUDED IN TRIP PACKAGES:

\$850.00 per person (5 Nights at Buenaventura)

\$1,100.00 per person (5 Nights at Buenaventura and 4 Day/3 Night Pacific Coast Excursion)

(*Estimate depends on the cost of your International Airfare to/from Costa Rica)

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ESTIMATED GRAND TOTAL FOR 5 NIGHTS AT BUENAVENTURA:

\$1,600.00 - \$1,700.00 per person (based on Double Occupancy)

\$1,815.00 - \$1,915.00 for Single Occupancy

ESTIMATED GRAND TOTAL WITH 3 NIGHT EXCURSION INCLUDED:

\$2,300.00 - \$2,400.00 per person (based on Double Occupancy)

\$2,700.00 - \$2,800.00 for Single Occupancy

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** To keep our prices reasonable and low for our clients and guests, we prefer to receive the Trip Package payment by check or cash payable to Tico Guide Travel. If you wish to pay by credit card via our PayPal payment gateway, please add a 3% surcharge to cover credit card processing banking fees.

A \$300.00 Non-Refundable Deposit per traveler is required by no later than November 15th to secure placement, and the balance is due by no later than December 15th, 2009.

STAY AT BUENAVENTURA FOR FREE!

SIMPLY INVITE AT LEAST 5 OF YOUR FRIENDS OR FAMILY TO JOIN YOU ON THIS GROUP TRIP, AND YOUR LODGING, FOOD AND ACTIVITIES AT BUENAVENTURA ARE FREE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO JOIN THIS GROUP, PLEASE CONTACT HARLOW SALVADOR AT TICO GUIDE TRAVEL AT harlow@ticoguidetravel.com or call 415-970-0794 (office) or 415-215-4933 (mobile)

Buenaventura

Eco-Adventure Lodge & Rainforest Retreat

About Buenaventura:

www.buenaventuracr.com

Buenaventura is an Eco-Adventure Mountain Lodge, Rainforest Rejuvenation Retreat & Wellness Center, and Nature Park & Wildlife Refuge Reserve located in the Rio Division Valley of Costa Rica.

Buenaventura welcomes groups, couples, families and individuals seeking a remote, private and isolated destination for eco-adventure activities, rainforest retreats, and to experience Costa Rica's local culture & rural county living.

Nourish yourself with home-grown organic meals, fresh spring water, solitude, serenity and the comforts for ultimate relaxation and rejuvenation.

With almost a mile of riverfront, Buenaventura's 180 acres of mountainous rainforest property are located along the north side of Rio Division, with 40% of the property within the southern border of the Los Santos Forest Reserve, an area north of Buenaventura with over 300,000 acres of protected primary and secondary Tropical Cloud Forests and Humid Rain Forests and where many endangered animals (like Jaguars, Tapirs, Sloths, etc.) and plant species live on the western valleys and foothills of the Talamanca Corridor.

Buenaventura currently offers lodging in Buenaventura's "Pueblo Nuevo River-side Eco-Village" located in an isolated and remote valley, between dense rainforest mountains in the valley of River Division.

Pueblo Nuevo is set between the river and a back-country dirt road that dead-ends 2 miles downriver in the town of El Brujo (The Wizard), and leads back out to the city of San Isidro about a 1.5 hour drive away.

For more information on Buenaventura's Accommodations, please visit:

www.buenaventura-ecoadventurelodge.com/rooms

Buenaventura's Triple Bottom Line Approach to Business (People, Planet, Profits)

*** Local Community/Educational Support:**

Buenaventura donates 2.5% of its Net Profit to the Rio Division Local Communities Fund (funds are used to support local elementary schools, local soccer teams, fund initiatives, etc.)

*** Environmental/Wildlife Protection & Preservation:**

Buenaventura donates 2.5% of its Net Profit to the Buenaventura Private Wildlife Refuge and Rainforest Reserve Fund (funds are used for tree planting, protect the 180 acre+ reserve, employ rangers, etc.)