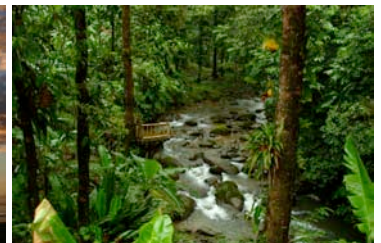




Byron & Melissa
Costa Rica Honeymoon Trip
05/24/11 – 06/11/11



Destination: Costa Rica, Central America

Dates of travel: 05/24/11 – 06/11/11

Departure Date: 05/24/11 (Tuesday)

SJO Return Date: 06/11/11 (Saturday)

Total # of nights: 18 nights / 19 days

Travel Route

By Ground: RED
By Air: BLUE



Byron & Melissa Flight Travel Information

International Flights with TACA Airlines (www.taca.com)



New Airbus A-321

San Francisco (SFO) to San Jose, Costa Rica (SJO)

Flight #s: TA561/TA7671

Departure Date: 05/24/11

SFO Departure Time: 1:22 am

Stop Over and Plane Change in San Salvador

(you don't go through customs – stay in airport terminal)

Costa Rica Arrival Time: 9:40 am

San Jose, Costa Rica (SJO) to San Francisco (SFO)

Flight #s: TA7636/TA564

Return Date: 06/11/11

Costa Rica Departure Time: 12:20 pm

Stop Over and Plane Change in San Salvador

(you don't go through customs – stay in airport terminal)

SFO Arrival Time: 7:50 pm

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| TACA INTL AIRLINES TA 561 A ECONOMY | 24MAY TUESDAY | SAN FRANCIS CA INTL | SAN SALVADOR COMALAPA INTL. | 122A | 752A |
| | | AIRCRAFT: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A320-100/200 SEATS 18A/18C CONFIRMED FLIGHT OPERATED BY /TACA INTL RESERVATION CONFIRMED | | | |
| TACA INTL AIRLINES TA 7671 A ECONOMY | 24MAY TUESDAY | SAN SALVADOR COMALAPA INTL. | SAN JOSE JUAN SANTAMARI | 830A | 940A |
| LR 0671 | | AIRCRAFT: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A321 SEATS 11A/11C CONFIRMED FLIGHT OPERATED BY LR LACSA RESERVATION CONFIRMED | | | |
| TACA INTL AIRLINES TA 7636 A ECONOMY | 11JUN SATURDAY | SAN JOSE JUAN SANTAMARI | SAN SALVADOR COMALAPA INTL. | 1220P | 140P |
| LR 0636 | | AIRCRAFT: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A321 SEATS 11A/11C CONFIRMED FLIGHT OPERATED BY LR LACSA RESERVATION CONFIRMED | | | |
| TACA INTL AIRLINES TA 564 A ECONOMY | 11JUN SATURDAY | SAN SALVADOR COMALAPA INTL. | SAN FRANCIS CA INTL | 255P | 750P |
| | | AIRCRAFT: AIRBUS INDUSTRIE A319 SEATS 10A/10C CONFIRMED FLIGHT OPERATED BY /TACA INTL RESERVATION CONFIRMED | | | |

Travel Itinerary

Destinations/Areas to Visit:

1. Arenal (Volcano/Hot Springs Region)
2. Monteverde (Cloud Forest Region)
3. Playa Hermosa (Central Pacific Coast) - Stay right on the beach
4. Manuel Antonio (Central Pacific Coast) (SPLURGE FIRST TWO NIGHTS)
5. Manuel Antonio (Central Pacific Coast) (ENJOY LIKE A LOCAL)
6. Drakes Bay (Osa Peninsula) (SPLURGE FOR HONEYMOON)
7. Alajuela (Near Airport) (RELAX AT XANDARI SPA)

Summary of Overnights at Destinations:

05/24 – 05/26 (3 nights):

Arenal (At Arenal Springs Resort) (includes breakfast)

Hotel Arenal Springs Resort: www.arenalspringshotel.com

05/27 – 05/28 (2 nights):

Monteverde (At El Establo) (includes breakfast)

El Establo: www.elestablo.com

05/29 – 05/30 (2 nights): (includes breakfast)

Playa Hermosa (At Terraza del Pacifico)

Terraza del Pacifico: www.terrazadelpacifico.com

05/31 - 06/01 (2 nights):

Manuel Antonio (At Arenas del Mar) (includes breakfast)

Arenas del Mar: www.arenasdelmar.com

06/02 – 06/05 (4 nights):

Manuel Antonio (At Hotel Espadilla) (includes breakfast)

Hotel Espadilla: www.espadilla.com

06/06 – 06/09 (4 nights):

Drakes Bay (At Drake Bay Resort) (4 night package includes room, all meals, 3 tours, transfers to/from Sierpe/Drakes Bay port)

Hotel: www.drakebay.com

06/10 (1 night – last night):

Xandari Spa

Hotel: www.xandari.com

06/11:

Travel Day Home

Suggested Money to Bring:

* \$200 US Dollars (new/clean/non-ripped small denominations of \$1s, \$5s, 10s & \$20s)
For tips to drivers, house-keepers, tour guides and airport exit fee (Make sure to keep \$52 for your Costa Rica airport exit tax at the airport before you check-in for your flight)

* One or Two Visa or MasterCard ATM/Bank Debit Cards

For withdrawing Costa Rican Colones at ATMs for spending cash, and to charge any additional tours that where not already paid in advance, etc. Your bank will charge a ATM fee (usually \$3-5 US dollars) and the Costa Rica ATM will charge a currency conversion fee, which is about \$1-\$3 depending on how much you withdraw. Most ATM machines in Costa Rica (and they seem to be popping up everywhere now), accept all the main partners, like PLUS, STAR, Interlink, etc., so you shouldn't have a problem using your ATM / Debit Card to withdraw local currency or make charges at places that accept Visa or MasterCard charges.

* Two (2) Visa or MasterCard Credit Cards

If you plan on using your credit cards for most of your in-country expenses, including withdrawing local currency, bring two cards, to have a back-up in case one doesn't work for some reason. You can use a Credit Card for withdrawing Costa Rican Colones at ATMs for spending cash (as long as you have your login code), and to charge any additional tours, hotels or transfers that where not already paid in advance, etc. Same local ATM conversion fees apply, however, most credit card companies have different policies for Cash Advances from Credit Cards, so please check with your credit card company for any fees that may apply.

Exchange Rate

\$1 US Dollar = ₡500.00 Colones (as of 03/18/11)

Climate/Forecast

Wet Season / Sunshine during the day and light to heavy showers in afternoons
(50% chance of rain in the rainforest and mountains)

See current weather conditions:

<http://www.timeanddate.com/weather/costa-rica/san-jose>

Suggest doing all your activities in the mornings when the sun is out.

Time Zone

Standard time zone: UTC/GMT -6 hours / 1 Hour Ahead of PST Time

See current local time: <http://www.timeanddate.com/worldclock/city.html?n=225>

Contact for MK Connection & Travel Tour Operator in Costa Rica

If you would like to book additional tours while you are in-country, you can contact Karla at MK Connection & Travel, and they will gladly assist you. In addition, in the event that there is a problem or situation with one of the bookings you made through MK Connection & Travel (hotels, transfers and/or tours), please contact Karla or Magaly at MK Connection & Travel (Tour Operator), who will be able to assist you.

MK Connection & Travel

Office #: 506-2430-6841 (Office Hours – 9 am – 5 pm)

Emergencies Only: 8-384-0132 (Karla's mobile) or 8-371-8543 (Magaly's mobile)

Day to Day Travel Itinerary

Summary of Overnights at Destinations:

ARENAL: 3 NIGHTS
MONTEVERDE: 2 NIGHTS
MANUEL ANTONIO: 6 NIGHTS
DRAKES BAY: 1 NIGHT
ALAUUELA: 1 NIGHT

DAY 0: Monday, May 23rd

SPECIAL NOTE: Please make sure to check in for your TACA flight at SFO at 11:00 pm on Monday night, May 23rd! Your flight leaves at 1:22 AM on the calendar date of Tuesday, May 24th, however, you need to check in on the previous night (on May 23rd), since the date changes at midnight.

DAY 1: Tuesday, May 24th

11:00 pm: Check in at the TACA Airlines counter at SFO International Terminal
1:22 am: Depart SFO for SAL on TACA Flight #TA561
7:52 am: Arrive in SAL (San Salvador International) Plane Change
8:30 am: Depart SAL for SJO on TACA Flight #TA7671
9:40 am: Arrive in Costa Rica!!

Airport Instructions: Proceed through Immigration, Baggage Claim and Customs).
When you exit the airport, look for Karla Campos from MK Connection - Tour Operator, who will have a sign with your name on it "BYRON & MELISSA GORDON". She will give you the vouchers for ALL your bookings made through MK Connection and introduce you to your driver Heberth who will drive you to Arenal

~10:30 am: Depart Airport in Private Shuttle Transfer with your Driver Heberth to Arenal (CONF #: MELISSA & BYRON)

Special Note: Lunch? – If you are hungry when you arrive, there is a restaurant called Las Delicias del Maiz near the airport where your driver can stop so you can pick up some food to go (or eat it at the restaurant). The drive to Arenal takes ~3 hours.

~2:30 pm: Check into Hotel Arenal Springs Resort in Arenal (CONF #: 31195)
Suggest spending afternoon at the hotel to relax and unwind
Suggest Dinner at your hotel
Spend 1st night in Arenal

DAY 2: Wednesday, May 25th

Breakfast at hotel (included)
Enjoy your first morning/day relaxing by the pool and Hotel Grounds
Suggest lunch at hotel
3:05 pm: Volcano Arenal Hike with Tabacon Hot Springs and Dinner
(See Tours Summary for details and what to bring)
Return to hotel
Spend 2nd night in Arenal

DAY 3: Thursday, May 26th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

8:20 am: Horseback Riding Tour to La Fortuna Waterfall (See Tours Summary for details)

Return to hotel and spend afternoon/evening relaxing at hotel

Suggest Dinner and Hot springs at Baldi Hot Springs (reserve with your hotel)

Spend 3rd night in Arenal

DAY 4: Friday, May 27th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

7:45 am: Transfer to Monteverde with Shuttle/Boat/Shuttle

Check into El Establo Hotel in Monteverde (CONF #: 28805)

2 – 5 pm: Suggest Afternoon hike through Monteverde National Park

Suggest Dinner at Hotel or a restaurant nearby

Spend 4th night in Monteverde

DAY 5: Saturday, May 28th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

7:50 am: Selvatura Park All-Day Tour (Canopy Zipline, Hanging Bridges, Butterfly farm, etc.)

Lunch at Selvatura (included in your package)

~ 3:00 pm: Return to hotel

Spend afternoon relaxing at the hotel pool or room

Suggest Dinner at Hotel or a restaurant nearby

Spend 5th night in Monteverde

DAY 6: Sunday, May 29th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

8:15 am: Interbus Shuttle Transfer to Playa Hermosa

Check into Terraza del Pacifico Hotel (CONF #: 4301)

Suggest Lunch at Hotel

Spend afternoon relaxing by the pool, beach, etc.

Suggest Dinner at Jungle Surf Café (order Seared Ahi Tuna, with wasabi sauce, mashed potatoes and veggies) – Say hi to Philip the owner for me!

Spend 6th night in Playa Hermosa

DAY 7: Monday, May 30th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Enjoy a day of R&R at Terraza del Pacifico Hotel

Suggest Dinner at LemonZest in Playa Hermosa

Spend 7th night in Playa Hermosa

DAY 8: Tuesday, May 31st

Breakfast at hotel (included)

11:10 am: Schedule Ground Transfer with Interbus Shuttle Service to Manuel Antonio
Check into Arenas del Mar Resort (CONF #: 3538)

Unwind and enjoy some R&R at the hotel pool and grounds

Suggest Dinner at Hotel or Barba Roja with Sunset Deck (walking distance)

Spend 8th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 9: Wednesday, June 1st

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Enjoy a day of R&R at Arenas del Mar Resort

Suggest Dinner at Hotel or Mar Luna (take a taxi from hotel)

Spend 9th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 10: Thursday, June 2nd

Breakfast at hotel (included)

~12:00 noon: Check out of Arenas del Mar (take taxi to Hotel Espadilla)

Check into Hotel Espadilla (CONF #: 10122)

Suggest lunch at Marlin Restaurant (walking distance)

Spend afternoon relaxing by the pool or beach

Suggest Dinner at Vela Bar Restaurant (walking distance)

Spend 10th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 11: Friday, June 3rd

Breakfast at hotel (included)

8:00 am: Savegre River Rafting Tour (See Tours Summary for details)

~ 4:00 pm: Return to hotel

Spend afternoon/evening at the beach or hotel

Suggest Dinner at Café del Mar (walking distance)

Spend 11th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 12: Saturday, June 4th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Suggest visiting Manuel Antonio National Park or a day or R&R at hotel/beach

Suggest Dinner at La Esquina En La Playa (walking distance)

Spend 12th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 13: Sunday, June 5th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Suggest visiting Manuel Antonio National Park or a day or R&R at hotel/beach

Suggest Dinner at Barba Roja Sunset Deck (take public bus or taxi)

Spend 13th night in Manuel Antonio

DAY 14: Monday, June 6th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

8:00 am: Transfer to Drakes Bay Port in Private Shuttle Service (See Transfers Summary for details)

~10:30 am: Transfer to Drake Bay Resort in boat

Check into Drake Bay Resort (CONF #: MELISSA & BYRON)

Afternoon to unwind, relax, take a walk on the beach

Lunch and Dinner at Drake Bay Resort

Spend 14th night in Drakes Bay

DAY 15: Tuesday, June 7th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Guided Tour at Drake Bay Resort (check with the resort for Tour of the day)

Lunch at Drake Bay Resort

Spend afternoon relaxing by the pool or beach

Dinner at Drake Bay Resort

Spend 15th night in Drakes Bay

DAY 16: Wednesday, June 8th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Guided Tour at Drake Bay Resort (check with the resort for Tour of the day)

Lunch at Drake Bay Resort

Spend afternoon relaxing by the pool or beach

Dinner at Drake Bay Resort

Spend 16th night in Drakes Bay

DAY 17: Thursday, June 9th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

Guided Tour at Drake Bay Resort (check with the resort for Tour of the day)

Lunch at Drake Bay Resort

Spend afternoon relaxing by the pool or beach

Dinner at Drake Bay Resort

Spend 17th night in Drakes Bay

DAY 18: Friday, June 10th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

7:30 am: Transfer to Drakes Bay Airport

9:02 am: Depart for SJO on SANSА Flight #1097

~9:50 am: Arrive in SJO and meet Airport taxi at SANSА terminal

Transfer to Xandari Spa with Airport Taxi (See Transfers Summary for details)

Check into Xandari Spa (CONF #: MELISSA & BYRON)

Unwind and enjoy some R&R at the hotel pool and grounds

Suggest Dinner at Xandari Spa (they have great food!)

Spend 18th night in Alajuela

DAY 19: Saturday, June 11th

Breakfast at hotel (included)

9:30 am: Transfer to Airport in Airport Taxi (see Transfers Summary for details)

~10:00 am: Check in for TACA Airlines Flight #671

12:20 pm: Depart for SFO on TACA Airlines

(Layover and Plane Change within same terminal – you don't go through Immigration, Baggage Claim or Customs)

7:50 pm: Arrive in San Francisco!

~ 9:00 pm: Home sweet Home!