

## PROVIDENCIA CLOUD FOREST SERVICE TRIP



### **ATENAS & THE CENTRAL VALLEY (1 night)**

Arrive in the central valley of Costa Rica, home to 80% of the country's population and surrounded by mountains. This area boasts fantastic vistas and a perfect climate. You will spend your first night in a comfortable country setting and have a chance to get acquainted with your guides.



### **PROVIDENCIA (3 nights)**

Depart the central valley and head up into the hills. The highest points in the Costa Rican landscape are found in this mountain range as well as lush cloud forest home to an astonishing array of biological diversity. On your way, tour a family run berry and coffee farm. Spend three nights in the small community of Providencia. Here, participate in a variety of community activities as well as a full day of service work for the community.



### **PACUARE OUTDOOR CENTER (1 night)**

From the hills, head down to the rainforest and spend a night at the Pacuare Outdoor Center. You will arrive at the center via raft and enjoy ziplining as well as other adventure activities during your stay.



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End the trip right back where you started--in the Central Valley. This is the night to celebrate your accomplishments and reflect on your experiences.

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**The price includes:**

- Naturalist guide(s)
- Private in-country transportation
- Accommodations (price is based on triple and quads)
- Meals as outlined
- Activities, Entrance fees, and related tips
- Purified water available on the bus
- Post-departure travel insurance

**The price does NOT include:**

- Optional cancellation insurance coverage
- Expenses of a personal nature
- Tips for guide and driver  
(recommended \$10/day for guide and driver to split)

AREA	DAY	LODGING & MEALS	MAJOR ACTIVITIES
Atenas	Day 1	Francisco's Lodge Meals included: snack	Arrive Costa Rica Drive to lodge
Providencia	Day 2	Providencia dorms Meals included: BLD	Drive to Providencia Enroute stop for an interactive agriculture tour Introduction to Community
Providencia	Day 3	Providencia dorms Meals included: BLD	Cultural activities and service project
Providencia	Day 4	Providencia dorms Meals included: BLD	
Pacuare	Day 5	Pacuare Outdoor Center Meals included: BLD	Raft to Pacuare Outdoor Center Ziplines and other adventure activities
Atenas	Day 6	Francisco's Cabins Meals included: BLD	Choice of Tubing, Rafting (class II & III) or float trip down the Sarapiquí River Return to Atenas for dinner and trip debrief
Depart	Day 7	Meals included: B	Transfer to airport

# PROVIDENCIA TRIP INFORMATION

**AVAILABLE DATES:** Year round

**GROUP SIZE:**

Minimum group size is 10 participants (including group leaders)

Maximum group size is 24 participants (including group leaders)

We may be able to accommodate larger or smaller groups— please contact us for more information.

**PROGRAM FEE:**

**The price includes:**

- Bilingual Naturalist Guide
- Accommodations (based on triples and quads)
- Private in-country transportation
- Meals as stated in the itinerary
- Purified water available on the bus
- Activity & entrance fees, and associated tips
- Post departure travel insurance

**The price does NOT include:**

- Tips to your EcoTeach guides and driver
- Cancellation insurance
- Expenses of a personal nature both prior to departure as well as during the trip

**TRIP LEADER COSTS:**

One trip leader travels free (including air) with 10 full paying participants.

Trip leader cost (including air) will be pro-rated if the total number of full paying participants is not a multiple of 10.

**FAMILY MEMBER DISCOUNT:**

For groups with 10+ full paying participants, a trip leader may bring along a family member at a discount of \$500 off the trip price. For groups with 20+ full paying participants, trip leaders may bring along two family members each at a discount of \$500 off the trip price.

Discounted family members do not count as full paying participants in calculating trip leader costs.

**FLIGHTS:**

EcoTeach will automatically arrange flights for your group. However, you are welcome to work with your own travel agent or directly with the airline group desk. Just let us know if you would like to make your own group travel arrangements.

For groups booking flights through EcoTeach, a \$25 per ticket service fee will be assessed. Occasionally, EcoTeach will purchase several blocks of tickets for a group at different prices and charge the averaged amount to the participants. Also, please be aware that taxes and fees (fuel surcharges, security costs, etc.) imposed by the airlines and/or the US Government are subject to change until the tickets are purchased approximately two months prior to your departure date. Such changes are outside of EcoTeach's control.