

## COSTA RICA EXAMPLE GOLFING ITINERARY

~2 nights San Jose ~ 2 nights Tortuguero ~ 2 nights Arenal Lodge  
~ 6 nights Tamarindo ~ 2 nights San Jose

**Includes:** All private transportation to and from Golf Courses, 1 round of golf at Valle del Sol including cart, 2 rounds of golf at Hacienda Pinilla including cart, 2 rounds of golf at Garra de Leon including shared cart, 1 round of golf at Cariari Country Club including 1 caddie per player.

### Day 1 SAN JOSE

On arrival into **San Jose** International Airport you will be met by our ground agents and have a private transfer to the **Alta Hotel** for 2 nights BB.

- The Alta Hotel is a luxurious, unique hotel with architecture that combines the colonial style and current trends. It is just 15 minutes away from the airport and downtown San Jose. It is a very comfortable hotel and has a gym, swimming pool & superb views of the central valley.

### Day 2 SAN JOSE / GOLF

After breakfast you will be transferred to the 18 hole **Valle del Sol Golf Course** for a round of golf.

### Day 3 TORTUGUERO

Early morning pick -up to join a small group travelling by road through the coffee and banana plantations and then transferring to river boat to arrive in **Tortuguero** staying at the **Mawamba Lodge** for 2 nights. You are escorted by a guide and a driver, stopping en route at some amazing viewpoints and places of interest. This is a great introduction to Costa Rica and you will learn a lot from your guide.

- Mawamba Lodge is a great lodge with a lovely swimming pool and bar. Full board and regular tours are included. Tours include is an early morning bird watching tour, trek to the Butterfly farm and Tortuguero Hill, the night-time nesting turtle tour along the beach (extra \$10 charge).

### Day 4 TORTUGUERO

Full day for tours you wish to take or relax by the pool.

### Day 5 ARENAL VOLCANO

After breakfast you will be transferred by river boat to the local airfield to take a short **flight back to San Jose**. On arrival you will be met by your private transfer guide / driver and driven to the **Arenal Volcano** area for 2 nights at the **Arenal Kioro Hotel** BB. Arenal Volcano is the most spectacular sight in all of Costa Rica. It erupts at least once every hour, it is mesmerising at any time of day, but it is especially magical at night, when a river of red-hot magma flows down its northern slopes. The Tabacon Hot Springs Resort is a very special place, there are 10 pools of thermo mineral waters heated naturally by the volcano, with temperatures ranging from 23°C to 40°C. The pools are reputed to cure any number of maladies. Most people spend at least half a day and evening here, relaxing in the pools whilst drinking a cocktail watching the lava flowing from the volcano, having massage treatments or dining in the excellent restaurant. Also in this area is Arenal Lake, which offers lots of activities, including fishing and water sports.

- **Arenal Kioro Hotel** is located in the most perfect location to view and actually be able to hear the volcano. This is one of the newest hotels and offers excellent facilities with each room having direct views of the volcano and each room has it's own private Jacuzzi bath, also with volcano views. The hotel has a wonderful restaurant and pool.

#### Day 6 ARENAL VOLCANO

Open day to take optional tours, relax and visit the Hot Springs resort.

#### Day 7 TAMARINDO

After breakfast you will be collected by your private transfer guide/driver and driven to the **Tamarindo Bay area** for 6 nights at the **Capitan Suizo Hotel BB** or the **Hacienda Pinilla Hotel BB**. Tamarindo is a beautiful beach area which also offers plenty of activities, including sport fishing, windsurfing, scuba diving, golf, horse riding, jungle boat tours, snorkelling etc.. The town of Tamarindo has much to offer with several bars, restaurants and a couple of night-clubs, where you can practise the merengue. Most hotels in this area allow you to walk out of your hotel straight onto a lovely beach.

- The **Captain Suizo Hotel** is located directly on Tamarindos' 2 mile white sandy beach. It has 30 large rooms, which are beautifully decorated and extremely comfortable. This is a very friendly hotel with a very popular restaurant; the swimming pool is surrounded by tropical gardens all of which guarantees you a very relaxing and enjoyable stay. They also have their own stables and can arrange for guests to play golf at the nearby golf course, fishing and scuba diving.
- Slightly south of Tamarindo you will find the **Hacienda Pinilla**. This property stretches 4,500 acres along the Pacific Coast, surrounded by strikingly beautiful rolling hills, open ranges and fresh water lakes. There is 3 miles of pristine beach, 2 rivers and a vast tropical dry forest teeming with birds, monkeys and other wildlife. The luxury hotel is the ideal base for those wishing to play on the properties immaculate golf course.

#### Day 8 TAMARINDO / GOLF

Breakfast at hotel before visiting the superb **Hacienda Pinilla Golf Course** for a round of golf.

#### Day 9 TAMARINDO / GOLF

Breakfast at your hotel followed by a round of golf at the beautiful **Garra de Leon Golf Course**.

#### Day 10 TAMARINDO

Open day at your hotel to relax, take a local tour or more golf can be arranged.

#### Day 11 TAMARINDO / GOLF

Breakfast at your hotel followed by a return visit to the **Hacienda Pinilla Golf Course** for another round of golf.

#### Day 12 TAMARINDO / GOLF

Breakfast at your hotel followed by another round of golf at the **Garra de Leon Golf Course**.

#### Day 13 SAN JOSE

After breakfast you will be transferred to the local airport to take a **flight back to San Jose**. On arrival you will be met and taken to the **Melia Cariari Hotel** for 2 nights in a superior room BB. Melia Cariari Golf

Resort is situated on 134 acres of lavishly landscaped grounds and gardens, 10 minutes from San Jose International Airport and 15 minutes from the centre of the city. The hotel has 222 oversized deluxe rooms as well as 24 suites, a 18 hole championship golf course, freeform swimming pool, casino, health club, Olympic sized swimming pool, shops and tennis courts.

**Day 14**      **SAN JOSE / GOLF**

Breakfast followed by a **round of golf** at the hotels championship golf course.

**Day 15**

Private transfer to the airport to check -in for your return flights to the UK.