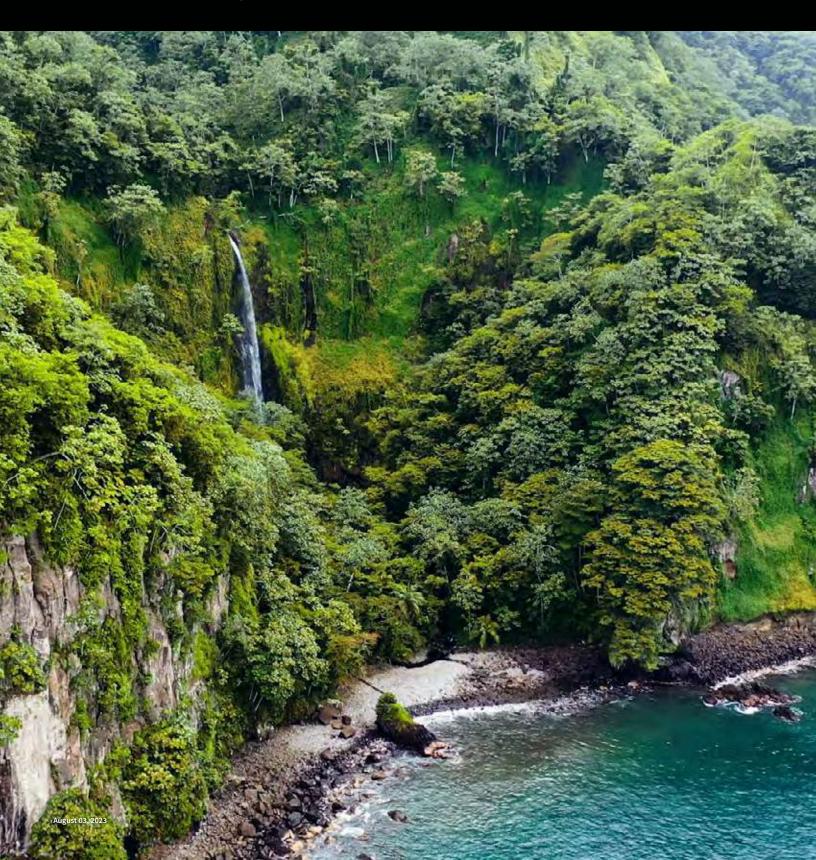




# **OCEAN & RAINFOREST**

Diving Adventure in Costa Rica (North Route)



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## About Costa Rica

# **PURA VIDA!**

You are going to hear this a lot when you join us in Costa Rica. It represents Costa Ricans' relaxed attitude towards life, no matter the circumstance. It's used to say hello, goodbye, to express that everything is okay, and to brush off any negativity. It's a way of life, an attitude, and a reminder to us of how extremely fortunate we are to have gained permission to run liveaboard adventures in this truly natural paradise.

Cocos island of the sharks is legendary and spoken of in hushed whispers among divers. Cocos is awesome of course but there is a lot more to the diving, super eco-consciousness and national parks of Costa Rica and it doesn't take a 30 hour open ocean crossing to get there. Our captain and lead dive guides on expedition 2023 Costa Rica have over 50 years of experience diving this area and more than just a couple of things they want to share with fellow adventuresome spirits!! That in a nutshell is what our oceans and rainforest adventures are all about; venturing off the beaten track with a variety of diving, marine and shoreside adventures, reminiscent of previous expeditions spent exploring Alaska.



## **OCEAN & RAINFOREST**

Experience a unique trip that combines diving and exploring the biodiverse ecosystems of Costa Rican rainforests and national parks. Join our experienced captains, cruise directors, and divemasters on an 8-day, 7-night adventure.

More info Dates & Rates

Rainy season is the peak season for diving in Costa Rica. Best vis. Best animals. Best diving! We encourage you to visit between mid-May to November.

Don't be fooled by the term "rainy season," as it doesn't hinder your adventure. Typically, the days are filled with sunshine until the afternoon, when clouds roll in and rain showers pour for an hour or two, often accompanied by a fantastic lightning display. Afterward, the skies clear up again for the night.



#### Have you considered?

## COCOS COMBO OCEAN & RAINFOREST

13 days, 12 nights | Sept 14 - 26, 2023

The best of 2 awesome adventures. 7 dive days at Cocos Island of the Sharks + 2 days of diving and adventuring around Drake Bay and Caño Island including going ashore in the tropical rainforest with our naturalist.

On special. <del>\$6250</del> **\$4995**. Pp db. Occ.

**Reserve Now** 

## Sample Itinerary 8 Days / 7 Nights (North Route - Aug 16, 2023)

#### Highlights

- Bats and cats. Diving for the bull sharks of Bat Island and exploring the Catalina Islands.
- Cabo Blanco Nature Reserve northern range of the rainforest.
- Peak season for humpback whales.

#### **Bienvenidos a Costa Rica!!**

On arrival at SJO (San José international airport), we recommend checking in to the Marriott Hotel Hacienda Belen to rest, refresh, and head out for some local adventures prior to meeting at our hospitality suite on the day of boarding. Our Cabo based concierges are on standby prior to your trip to assist with pre-trip questions and hotel reservations. SJO gets very busy when the international flights arrive, and while we can prearrange transfers with pleasure, it's generally easier to hire a local taxi outside the arrivals hall.

#### Day 1

4 pm - Meet at our hospitality suite at the Marriott hotel San Jose for transfer to board your ship in Puntarenas with your crew standing by with champagne to welcome you onboard. Cocktail hour. Dinner. Overnight sail north to Guanacaste.

#### Days 2 - 5

Lots of diving and exploring the Catalina and Bat Islands. We expect to see white tip reef sharks, free-swimming eels, giant schools of jacks and grunts, octopus. Loads of puffer fish, sting rays, eagle rays and more along with some very cool topography. The highlight is our search for bull sharks. These are very BIG sharks of course and we are in peak season for them. This is more than just a dive trip and our onboard naturalist will be on the lookout for the best places to go ashore to experience the magic of Costa Rica.

#### Days 6 - 7

Diving Isla Cabo Blanco, Cabo Blanco Nature Reserve, and Curu national park. Diving and water activities of course. But this is when we will spend a lot more ashore. Hiking trails with our naturalist. Beautiful beaches. Gigantic trees draped with vines, exotic flowers, strange seedpods, birds (lots of birds). Butterflies. Eyes open for howler and capuchin monkeys up in the canopy. Coati (racoon like animals), families of white faced monkeys.

We're not allowed to go ashore on Isla Cabo Blanco as it's a bird sanctuary but it's good for panga touring and the topography is very interesting for diving.

Curu is unique in being a privately owned carefully protected wildlife reserve with beautiful beaches, extensive mangroves and hiking trails with commonly seen parrots, herons, egrets, hawks, and 3 species of monkeys. Scarlet macaws have been reintroduced. Present in the area but very lucky to see animals includes ocelots, big cats, coyotes, and ant eaters.

#### Day 8

Breakfast and 7:30 am transfer from Puntarenas to San Jose International Airport in time for most international flights that depart between 11:30 am and 2 pm.

But wait!!! Your option to stay onboard for a second week visiting the <u>South of</u> <u>Costa Rica</u> or stay with us for a trip out to Cocos Island of the sharks.





## WHAT TO BRING

#### What do I need to pack?

Personal toiletries. Dive gear (or travel light and use our rental gear!) Summer wear, noting that nights can sometimes be chilly which makes a sweater or fleece jacket a good addition. Sunscreen (reefsafe sunscreen will be available onboard with our compliments). Towels and bed linen are provided onboard. Good walking shoes are recommended if you want to go ashore.

#### What dive gear do I need to bring?

We provide aluminum 80 cu. ft tanks and weightbelts. Larger steel rental cylinders are available. 5 mm wetsuit recommended to avoid losing body core temp during multiple days of repetitive diving. It's always better to layer down rather than be cold with no options. We have rentals onboard by prior arrangement for almost anything you need. Please make any rental requests as early as possible.

#### **Baggage limitations?**

Pack lightly since you will be dressing for warm tropical weather. At Customs there are no limitations on the personal equipment such as diving, camera and video equipment as well as computers that are for personal use.

#### What kind of safety gear do you provide divers?

Nautilus LifeLines, DiveAlerts and SMB safety sausages.

## TRAVEL DETAILS

#### Do I need a passport and/or visa?

YES and it must be valid six months from entry.

US citizens do not require an entry visa to Costa Rica. However, they must have a return ticket to exit Costa Rica within 90 days. (Either to return to your country or to go to another country).

Guests visiting us from other countries may not require an entry visa also. Please check the requirements for your country.

#### Do I need dive and travel interruption insurance?

Diver medical insurance is required for all diving guests. Non-diving guests need to have medical and evacuation insurance from a recognized provider. We recommend Dive Assure exclusively. They have proven their integrity and coverage many times. **Click here** to purchase.

We highly recommend the optional purchase of trip interruption insurance which covers everything from cancelled flights, weather delays or cancellations, lost baggage to lost vacation time if another guest has a medical emergency. If you decline coverage, please note that we do not issue credits or refunds for anything that is beyond our immediate control.

#### What airport do I fly into?

SJO is the code for the Aeropuerto Internacional Juan Santamaría. Please note there is a San José airport in California so please use the airport code.

#### When should I fly in?

At least one day prior to boarding to avoid any stress from delayed or cancelled airline flights, bad weather at the originating airport, missing luggage, etc.

## DON'T FORGET!

#### What time do we disembark?

07:30 am shuttle transfer to San José International airport or the Marriott if you will be staying in Costa Rica for more adventure. Most international flights depart between 11:30 am and 2 pm so this timing gets you there in good time.

#### Can you accommodate special dietary requests?

YES - with reasonable advance notice. We are pleased to accommodate vegetarian, vegan, lactose intolerance, gluten-free, low sugar, quasi-kosher and quasi-halal. We are likely unable to accommodate more esoteric special dietary requests.

#### What is NOT included in the trip price?

Our ambition is to keep your trip price as low as possible with a la carte options to cater to everyone's personal choices. Crew gratuities are not included. Neither are rentals, nitrox, internet connection, bar charges, and gift shop purchases.

#### What fees do I have to pay?

We keep any extra fees to the bare minimum. 5% tax on your trip fee. That's it!

#### What hotel do you recommend?

Marriott Hotel Hacienda Belen is approx. 6 km from the airport. We will have a hospitably suite and someone from Nautilus at the Marriott from noon onwards to assist you and complete your check-in. We encourage you to leave your luggage with us after you check out of your room. Please keep in mind that there are 2 different Marriott hotels in San José. It's important to book into the correct one.

#### How do I get from SJO to the hotel?

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#### How do I get to the ship?

Your job is to please get to our hospitality suite at the Marriott. Our job is to look after everything following including seamless transfer to your awaiting ship in Puntarenas.

#### What time can I board the ship?

Shortly after your shuttle arrives from the Marriott hotel in San Jose. Typically between 5:30 and 6 pm depending on traffic.

#### What are the sea conditions like? Will it be rough?

There is one night with a short ocean crossing on these trips. That's it and it will be an adventure. It might be smooth and calm. Or sometimes not in which case the captain will adjust the itinerary to give you the smoothest ride possible. The rest of the trip should be in quite calm sheltered waters. The Explorer is our flagship that has sailed through everything, from the current swept chilly waters of Alaska to adventuring down to Clipperton Atoll, just north of the equator. We always recommend the scopolamine "patch" and a cocktail to help relax onboard.

## ABOUT DIVING

#### What dive experience is needed?

We cater to divers of all experience levels, self reliance and physical fitness. Most diving is with our dive guides in which case you need to have the solid skills of an open water certified diver including good buoyancy controls. Experienced and self reliant divers are welcome to "do their own thing". Private or group dive mastering is available by prior request for those who are less comfortable with their open water skills. Please note: that unless a divemaster has been prearranged for, we only provide dive guiding with solid and informative briefings, in-water critter pointing and assistance with navigation. While our dive guides are all certified and experienced instructors, they are not providing "dive mastering".

#### Do I need to dive with a dive guide?

Depends entirely on your experience, self reliance and physical fitness.

#### Are the boats camera friendly?

YES, VERY! Ask about rental cameras and photo pro services.

#### What are your safety protocols?

Safety, excellence in guest experience and happy staff and crew are the cornerstones of our business. Nothing is more important than your safety. At Nautilus, we are proud to be the only dive operation in the world with ISM certification and external annual audit of an SMS (Safety Management System). This is the same certification as the largest cruise ships on the oceans. We operate within written processes, procedures and checklists that our captains and crew are trained into both initially and annually. Every dive starts with a briefing on a white board. We require that all divers carry LifeLines marine rescue GPS, SMBs and dive alerts. We will loan you one of ours if you are missing any of this safety equipment. We carry AEDs and extensive medical kits with a contract medical officer available shoreside via our sophisticated satellite communication system.

#### Is there nitrox onboard?

Yes, and it's highly recommended for all divers. The cost is US\$ 120 per trip.

#### Water temperature?

78-82 °F (27 - 28 °C).

## WHAT TO EXPECT

#### What's the weather like and what clothes should I bring?

Well, it's the rainy season in the tropics!! We recommend casual and cool attire onboard (t-shirt and shorts). It can be drizzly in the afternoons and we recommend bringing a windbreaker and a fleece vest or sweater just in case. Make sure you bring good shoes if you are interested in going ashore for a hike. It's spectacular onshore. Just wait until you see the waterfalls!

#### Is there internet and WhatsApp onboard?

Yes. Internet and WhatsApp connection are available for \$120 per trip. Please keep in mind that a satellite tracking system at sea only gives limited speed internet access. You won't be able to stream Netflix!!

#### Is there a fuel surcharge?

Of course not! We figure that dive boat companies that with fuel, surcharges year-in, year-out are just taking an extra fee onto the trip.

#### What's an appropriate crew tip?

US\$ 250 - \$350.

#### **More questions?**

Contact our concierges. They will be in touch in the regular way pre-trip to assist with logistics, pre and post activities, transfers and so on.

Phone: +1 (604) 241-1918 - Please ask for Anahi or Daniela WhatsApp: +1 (604) 360-9400 Email: concierge@nautilusdive.com.



## Borrowing safety equipment is always complimentary to all our guests

- Nautilus LifeLine Marine Rescue Radio
- SMB
- Dive Alert Signaling Device

## Sample Pricing (USD)

Given the expeditionary nature of these trips, please make any rental requests as early as possible.

Nitrox	\$120	Go-pro Camera	\$99
Steel 95 cf Cylinder	\$36	TG-6	\$185
		TG-6 full load arms and strobes	\$365
Packages			
Wetsuit, BCD, Regulator	\$180	Fins, Booties, Hood/Mask	\$75
BCD, Regulator, Dive computer	\$170	<b>Full Gear</b> (Wetsuite, BCD, Reg, Computer, Booties, Hood, Fins, Snorkel and mask)	\$320
Items			
Wetsuit	\$70	Booties	\$30
BCD	\$70	Hood	\$25
Regulator	\$70	Mask	\$25
Dive Computer	\$50	Snorkel	\$20
Fins	\$30	Hooded Vest	\$25
Zorb	\$5.45 per pound		
Oxygen fills	\$100 / \$20 each additional day more th	an 5 days	
Oxygen Rebreather Cylinder	\$50 / \$10 each additional day	· · · · <b>,</b> ·	
Diluent Rebreather Cylinder	\$30 / \$8 each additional day		

\* Clients are responsible for the cost of repairing any damage except normal wear and tear. Prices subject to change without notice.

## **Excursion Risk**



# We are excited to have you join us, but feel compelled to point out some of the risks involved in going to sea on one of our ships.

On a voyage likes this, we are always at the whim of Mother Ocean. All of our ships are equipped with the latest in satellite technology, full time data links, internet at sea and marine radios. We can't control the weather but we can monitor the forecasts very carefully and our shoreside management team is in constant contact with the ships and available 24/7 in case of emergencies. We need you to be aware that there is always a risk of adverse weather, mechanical breakdown, errors or mistakes made by our crew, medical evacuations or other interruptions to your trip that are beyond our control.

You can be sure that we will do our best to protect the health and safety of our guests and crew including the following core principles; temperature and health monitoring ->> personal hygiene with frequent hand washing, using sanitizer, not touching face, coughing or sneezing into one's elbow ->> social distancing ->> disinfecting with 1 week hold times using fogging machines ->> isolation, quarantine or emergency airvac to shore for possible cases. HOWEVER, we cannot promise that you won't come in contact with someone infected and we cannot promise that you won't potentially get sick.

Guests are responsible for their own dive safety. Our guides are not responsible for teaching primary dive skills or looking after guests who do not have basic buoyancy skills. Diving with marine animals entails risk. Scuba divers risk embolism, dehydration or other medical issues. Guests and crew alike are susceptible to accidents, tripping and falling, sprains or broken bones, heart attacks, stroke or medical conditions such as appendicitis, pancreatitis, diabetic complications, severe infections, abscesses or other emergency conditions.

We sincerely hope that none of our guests will ever have a medical emergency, but in the highly unlikely event that one occurs, we will provide basic first aid and arrange for medical consultation and a medevac. It's vitally important that you have insurance to cover these costs. We cannot cover them ourselves. **Click here** to purchase a policy. The coverage is very reasonably priced.

A sample **liability release and waiver can be viewed here** and requires your acceptance, agreement and signature before boarding your ship.

We wish you an amazing and completely uneventful trip with smooth seas and excellent diving.



## PASSENGER GUEST WAIVER, RELEASE AND INDEMNITY (the "Waiver")

In consideration of you allowing me to participate in your camping and/or whale watching and/ or excursion (the "Excursion"):

I voluntarily waive, release and forever discharge NAUTILUS DIVE ADVENTURES AND/OR all its related entities: ICARUS AVIATION LTD also doing business as "Lever Diving" AND/OR NAUTILUS EXPLORER MEXICO, S. DE R.L DE C.V. AND/OR 3-101-878943 S.A. (collectively the "Company") and its employees, directors, officers, agents and contractors (collectively the "Operators") from any and all liability, including but not limited to liability arising from the negligence (including gross negligence) or fault of the Operators or any of them for personal injury or death, property loss or damage or any other claims of any kind which may occur to me during or in connection with the Excursion and/or the use or misuse of any equipment, vessels or vehicles.

I agree that all agreements made between the Operators and myself (including this Waiver) shall be governed by the laws of Canada and the courts of British Columbia shall have exclusive jurisdiction over any matter relating to the said agreements or this Waiver.

I agree that this Waiver shall be binding upon my heirs, executors, administrators, successors, assigns and my estate and I agree that in the event that a claim is made against the Operators or any one of them in respect of any cause of action relating to me, I will indemnify the Operator(s) for their losses, damage and expenses arising from such claim.

I confirm that I have both read and fully understood the description of the risks involved in participating in the Excursion as set forth in the Company's disclosure information entitled "DIVING EXCURSION RISKS" published on the Company web site (https://nautilusliveaboards.com/diving-excursion-risks/) and in the pre-trip information package provided to me.

I also confirm that I:

- (a) am physically fit; without any health related reasons that would otherwise preclude my;
- (b) have had sufficient instruction, preparation and/or training for; and
- (c) have not been advised by any medical professional to avoid participation in the Excursion.

Finally, I confirm that I read and fully understood this Waiver before signing and, that I had the opportunity

## Please note that you will be required to sign this waiver form upon the arrival at the hospitality suite.

## **Our Responsibilities**

- To ensure your safety.
- To give you the best possible diving experience.
- To treat you with respect and consideration and to provide excellence in service onboard.
- To be responsive to special requests and needs.
- To plan each trip with respect to weather, sea conditions and animal behavior in order to maximize your diving experience.
- To keep our ships in top condition, clean and in good mechanical repair. Please note that each ship has many complex systems and it may be impossible to prevent some maintenance problems during your trip, despite our best efforts.

## **Your Responsibilities**

#### 1. Animals

We love Mother Ocean! Unfortunately, sometimes guests will demonstrate unsafe or irresponsible behavior towards animals that impedes other guest's experiences and/or may cause harm to the animals. It is your responsibility to follow the crew's directions and recommendations with respect to interaction with the animals. In the unlikely event that an individual is impeding other guests and/or causing harm to the animals, the captain will speak to that person and give them a formal warning. If the guest continues the same behavior, the captain has the authority to hold that guest out of the water for the remainder of the trip.

#### 2. Diving Safety

It is your responsibility to attend dive briefings and comply with the principles of safe recreational diving. Deco diving or deliberately "going blue" is not allowed. The captain has the right to revoke the diving privileges of anyone who is diving in an unsafe manner.

#### 3. Alcohol

With over many years of operational experience running charters, we have learned the safest alcohol policy is to restrict guests from bringing their own alcohol on board. We provide a wide selection of beer, wine and alcohol from the ship's bar at reasonable prices. We are also happy to hold your duty-free purchases or local purchases of alcohol in bond in the ship's storage until the end of your trip.

#### 4. Government Rules

You must comply with all Costa Rican government rules and regulations. Please note that government regulations and laws may change without notice. Our contract with you is subject to "force majeure" without compensation.

#### 5. Marijuana

Marijuana is illegal in Costa Rica including medicinal prescription marijuana. We have a zero tolerance policy regarding guests bringing marijuana onboard.

#### 6. Illegal Substances

We maintain a zero tolerance for illegal narcotics or substances on board. We're required under Costa Rican law to report any problems to the Costa Rican Federal Police.

#### 7. Crew

Treating our crew and staff with courtesy and respect.

#### 8. Getting Sick

We sincerely hope that you stay healthy and don't get sick during your trip. Please let the crew know if you are not feeling well so that we can give you extra love and attention and also do our best to prevent anyone else onboard from getting sick.





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I hope we leave you with the feeling that our crew has served you with warmth, good cheer, and has done their very best to provide you with a sense of being safe, along with excellence in guest services. I am very proud of our hard-working and dedicated staff.

Attitudes towards tipping vary in different places around the world. In Costa Rica, it is considered offensive to the crew and staff to not leave a gratuity if the service is deserving. For your guidance, most guests leave a tip of between US\$250 to \$350.

On a personal note, I am always appreciative of any comments or feedback about your experience with us and anything that we can improve on. Comments can be made in confidence from any personal computing device on the nautilusatsea Wi-Fi at https://NautilusExperience/nautilus.

Thank you very much for trusting us with your vacation!

Sincerely,

**Captain Mike** Founder *Nautilus Adventures* 



## Have you considered?

Extend your trip to a 2 week experience with the South route.

## Sample Itinerary 8 Days / 7 Nights (South Route - Aug 23, 2023)

### Highlights

- Quepos (Manuel Antonio National Park)
- Caño Island diving
- Drake Bay beautiful white sand beaches
- Corcovada National Park untamed rainforest
- Humpback whale country

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#### Day 1

4 pm - Meet at our hospitality suite at the Marriott hotel San Jose for transfer to board your ship in Puntarenas with your crew standing by with champagne to welcome you onboard. Cocktail hour. Dinner. Overnight sail south to Quepos.

#### Day 2

Diving and exploring ashore Manuel Antonio national park. Pinnacle diving. Shark caves. Walls and rock ridges. Summer is when the waters at Quepos are nutrient rich making this the best time of the year to see sharks, stingrays, eagle rays, eels and massive schools of jacks and snappers. This is also our first chance to go ashore in the rainforest where we might see white face monkeys, coati, sloths and if we are lucky, scarlett macaws.

#### Days 3 - 5

Caño island and some very good diving. It's possible to see great hammerhead sharks here and sometimes even bull sharks. Mobula and cow nose rays. Southern sting rays. White and black tip reef sharks. Moray eels. Schooling barracuda and loads of reef fish. Coral reefs. Mix of pinnacle, walls and drop-offs.

#### Day 6

Corcovado National Park. This is our day to explore one of the most pristine parks in Costa Rica including beautiful deserted white sand beaches, old growth forests and chance for rarely seen animals. It's wet, rugged and remote. It's the only place in Costa Rica where you can see 4 different species of monkeys including the highly endangered red back squirrel monkey. Our naturalist will be keeping a sharp lookout for wild pigs, tapirs, scarlett macaws, sloth and crocodiles in the largest mangroves in Central America. We won't see them all but there are 40 species of frogs in the park, more than 100 species of butterflies and more than 400 species of birds including 16 species of hummingbirds. This is the fantasy place where we can skiff you in for a hike in the rainforest to emerge on a beautiful sand beach complete with waterfall and your crew waiting with skiff and cold drinks and snacks.

### Day 7

Diving Isla Cabo Blanco, Cabo blanco nature reserve. Diving and water activities of course. But this is when we will spend a lot more ashore. Hiking trails with our naturalist. Beautiful beaches. Gigantic trees draped with vines, exotic flowers, strange seedpods, birds (lots of birds). Butterflies. Eyes open for howler and capuchin monkeys up in the canopy. Coati (racoon like animals), families of white faced monkeys.

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#### Day 8

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## Cocos-Island of the Sharks



- 11 DAYS / 10 NIGHTS / 7 DIVE DAYS. Join us this summer for an unforgettable adventure to Cocos, the Island of the Sharks. This 6,000-acre UNESCO World Heritage site is the only island with a tropical rainforest in the eastern Pacific. It holds great fascination for divers, as it serves as the first landmark encountered by the north equatorial countercurrent and acts as a confluence point for marine currents. This unique combination creates the perfect environment for large migratory pelagic species, including hammerhead and tiger sharks, as well as all the other critters that Cocos is famous for.
- The diving will be led by our Captain Beto, formerly of the Okeanos Aggressor, who boasts 29 years of experience. He has personally hand-picked a crew of Cocos veterans to ensure an exceptional experience. Our trips take place during peak season when the density of hammerhead sharks is at its highest, giving you the best chance to encounter whale sharks, humpback whales, and much more.
- We have gained permission from the Costa Rican authorities to use our 132-foot flagship, the Nautilus Explorer, on our Cocos Island and near-coastal ocean and rainforest adventures. Our beautiful ocean stabilized Explorer features 4 levels of accommodation, huge back deck and camera tables, separate dining room and salon with million-dollar views and of course a fresh water hot tub.





#### More Info

#### **Dates & Rates**





### Socorro Island Giant Mantas & Dolphins November - July

9 Days, 8 Nights



Triple Stateroom pp. dbl occ.

- Socorro is magical. Amazing. Baja Expeditions, our sister company, ran the very first trips ever to Socorro 44 years ago and it's still an amazing destination and oceanic oasis and UNESCO world heritage site. Our Socorro trips were almost completely sold out for the next year until we were able to open up these additional dates. Come and join us!!
- It's a rare opportunity to dive Socorro in November. Expect water temps in the mid 80's and all the normal critters including friendly giant mantas, inquisitive dolphins and loads of sharks. You can expect to see more schooling hammerheads and more whale sharks than normal this time of year.









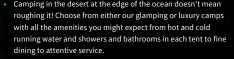




















#### More Info

#### Dates & Rates







- During October to January, a magical event happens in the nutrient rich swirling blue waters off Magdalena Bay where striped marlin gather to hunt on the second largest sardine run in the world. This thrilling underwater action is spectacular.
- There is an excellent chance of also seeing california sea lions, dolphin, wahoo, pelicans, different species of gulls, boobie birds, frigate birds, shearwaters and even the awe inspiring albatross.
- We offer 2 equally excellent ways to experience the fall Mexico Sardine Run at Magdalena bay with special feature of striped marlin.
- Either 5 nights aboard our 45-ft sailing yacht anchored in the calm waters of the bay with land transfers from Cabo. Or 7 nights full liveaboard boarding in Cabo with a 15 hour sail up the coast of Baja for Magdalena Bay.









More Info

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