



Intercultural Student Experiences

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Dear Parent/Teacher/Student

Thank you for inquiring about a travel program with ISE. We have an exciting experience in Costa Rica for your group. Welcome to the ultimate educational travel adventure.

For 40 years, ISE has helped students enjoy exciting, enriching, safe experiences all over the world with our travel groups. Your travels to Costa Rica with ISE are designed and organized to immerse students in a new and different culture, give them a new perspective, and open up new possibilities in their lives.

You arrive in the capitol of San Jose, and a world of wonder begins to unfold. A certified naturalist guide shows you the way: artisan workshops, a volcano, and the awesome cloud forest of Monteverde. Wander the beaches of Manuel Antonio National Park. Then students meet their host families for some *pura vida, Costa Rica*. An expert in Spanish language and Costa Rican culture serves as guide throughout the program.

Here's a sample of your schedule. Your actual itinerary may vary slightly; it will be assigned by ISE in accordance with the family stay community. Daily activities will be chosen by the group leader(s).

You can find additional information on our website, www.isemn.org

We say that ISE programs are "where language matters." That's because we share your passion for language and culture. And it's the reason why language skills are an essential component of any ISE travel experience. Not all travel programs place this kind of emphasis on language, but we think it makes the entire experience abroad richer and more meaningful for students.

Once again, thank you for your interest in ISE. We look forward to working with you.

Here is a sample itinerary: 2013 ME ENCANTA COSTA RICA 14-day guided itinerary

Day 1 Depart for Costa Rica, Arrive in San Jose

Day 2 Arrive in Arenal, begin exploring! (B,L,D)

Day 3 Arenal, visit hot springs! (B,D)

Day 4 Journey to Monteverde (B,D)

Day 5 Monteverde, try the zipline! (B,D)

Day 6 Head to Manuel Antonio (B)

Day 7 Manuel Antonio (B)

Day 8 Being your Family Stay (Meals at home)

Day 9 Family Stay (Meals at home)

Day 10 Family Stay (Meals at home)

Day 11 Family Stay (Meals at home)

Day 12 Family Stay (Meals at home)

Day 13 Last night in the Family Stay (Meals at home)

Day 14 Return to the U.S. (B)

STUDENT TESTIMONIAL

"My family stay was amazing. I had a wonderful time with them and we got along very well. My family was very good about making sure I understood what they were saying and that I had everything I needed."

SPANISH STUDENT, MA



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2013 ME ENCANTA COSTA RICA

Save \$200 when you enroll by June 15!	Spring Departures Feb., March, April	Summer Departures After 5/16
Chicago	\$2825	\$2825
Boston	\$2825	\$2825
Dallas	\$2825	\$2825
Denver	\$2825	\$2825
Detroit	\$2875	\$2875
Kansas City	\$2875	\$2875
Minneapolis	\$2875	\$2875
Portland	\$2925	\$2925
St. Louis	\$2825	\$2825
Seattle	\$2925	\$2925

Additional gateway cities are available; contact ISE for pricing.

PROGRAM INCLUSIONS

- » Round-trip airfare from cities listed
- » Airline fuel surcharge
- » In-country transportation (air, motorcoach, van, as applicable)
- » All overnight accommodations
- » Meals as indicated on the itinerary: B: Breakfast, L: Lunch, D: Dinner
- » ISE Family Stay
- » Meals at home during the family
- » Activities per itinerary
- » Insurance (trip cancellation & medical)

PROGRAM EXCLUSIONS

- » Airline baggage fees
- » Increase in air cost due to requests for specific travel dates or airline
- » Small-group supplement
- » Passport, visa or other document costs
- » Transportation to/from U.S. departure city
- » Any meals not indicated on itineraries
- » Activities listed as optional
- » Tips for guide and/or driver
- » Spending money and gifts

Payment Schedule

Spring Programs: March, April

June 15 (Early Bird)
 October 15 (Final)

November 15 \$900
 January 10 Balance

Summer Programs: June, July

June 15 (Early Bird)
 November 1 (Final)

December 15 \$800
 February 1 \$900
 March 15 Balance

Visit www.isemn.org/registration for more information about:

- » Financial Aid
- » Alternate payment schedules for departures in February and May
- » Making credit card payments online (after the initial deposit)
- » Insurance coverage
- » Alternate travel arrangements
- » Late fees
- » Cancellation Schedule

HOW TO APPLY

Applications may be downloaded from our website if not included with this itinerary. Submit the following by the Early Bird (June 15) or Final Deadline (Oct. 15 / Nov. 1):

- » a complete Program & Family Stay Application
- » a \$350 deposit (check or money order)
- » a "Dear Family" letter with two photos

After the initial deposit, all future payments may be made online with a credit card. Login instructions are mailed to all participants upon enrollment.