



## LANGUAGE IMMERSION TOURS IN COSTA RICA

*Playa Tamarindo | Average tour: 8-12 days*

### START LIVING THE LANGUAGE

Real language—that heard in streets, subways and songs—changes every day. It hums to the tune of regional lingo and slang, and forces you outside of the textbook and into society. Our programs are designed to naturally guide your students towards these kinds of genuine experiences, and help spark a lifelong love of language along the way.

### A FRESH APPROACH TO LANGUAGE IMMERSION

We work with you to customize the right program for your students' success. Each day is built around a different theme of your choice that ties together daily language classes, cultural activities and interactions with locals. Accredited classes at our EF International Language Schools provide students with the cultural context and relevant vocabulary they'll need to navigate each experiential activity. And through it all, your Language Immersion Tour Director will be with you supporting your students' language learning and highlighting each breakthrough moment.

<b>Daily theme</b>	=	Language lesson	+	Cultural activity	+	Interaction with locals
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*Some of our favorite daily themes*



Art



Cuisine



Film



Athletics



Culture & tradition



Music & dance



History & heritage



Create your own theme

Here are some examples of what a few days on your EF Language Immersion Tour could look like:



### LA CULTURA DE COSTA RICA

*Build your vocabulary as you engage in this vibrant and unique culture.*



#### Morning lesson:

Today you'll discover the true meaning of *¡Pura vida!*—a greeting, a farewell, a response to “How are you?” and so much more. Learn how this phrase embodies a culture as you learn the language for singing, dancing and crafting in Costa Rica.

#### Afternoon activity:

Hike through breathtaking vistas on your way to a nearby village and witness the techniques of craftsmen skilled in the art of indigenous *Chorotega* pottery. Ask them anything about the ancestry of these ceramics before building one yourself under their expert guidance.

#### Evening interaction:

What better way to loosen up and let your Spanish language flow than during the fiery beat of a salsa dance? As you move your hips and swing to the tempo of this rhythmic *baile*, be sure to ask for as many pointers as you can before partnering up with one of the local *ticos*.



### LA ECOLOGÍA Y LA BIODIVERSIDAD

*Learn the language of local conservation through hands-on experience.*



#### Morning lesson:

Since the 1980s, Costa Rica has been setting the standards for environmental responsibility. Discover the language around the history of these efforts, and find the words to describe what happens when an entire country gets together to protect their *ecosistemas*.

#### Afternoon activity:

Kayaking through the mangrove-laden waters of the Tamarindo Estuary will give the term “eco-tourism” a whole new meaning for you. It'll also be hard to forget the names of the floating *tortugas*, chirping *pájaros* and howling *monos* as you drift by them all.

#### Evening interaction:

After experiencing the rare beauty of Costa Rica's natural world, you'll get to interview a local conservation ranger from the *Sistema Nacional de Areas de Conservacion*—which oversees over 160 protected areas—about the daily work involved in maintaining it.

**¡VAMOS A EMPEZAR!**

*Go beyond the flashcards and grammar quizzes, and start living the language.*

**Call your Tour Consultant  
today at 800-637-8222**

### YOUR PARTNER IN GLOBAL EDUCATION

For nearly 50 years, teachers have partnered with EF to provide students with immersive life-changing experiences through educational travel.

#### A global network of local connections

We have 460 schools and offices in over 55 countries. Our global presence provides you with essential local resources—everything from authentic experiences to an endless range of safety and support.

#### A world of support

Your *Tour Consultant* will work with you to create a personalized Language Immersion Tour, and ensure that all flights, transportation, hotels and meals are taken care of beforehand.

Your *Tour Director* will be at your side during the tour, handling all the logistics and providing cultural insight everywhere you go.

#### An accredited educational institution

EF and our International Language Schools are accredited just like your school, and are recognized by six regional, national and international organizations.

#### Free travel for teachers. Guaranteed lowest price for students.

You earn a free spot for yourself and chaperones for every six students enrolled. Your students receive the lowest price guaranteed.