

Bridgewater State University
Travel Course: Geography of Coffee in Costa Rica
Winter 2020

(subject to change)

Friday, January 3	<p>Depart Boston Arrive in San Jose in the evening Welcome and introduction meeting by tour guide Overnight stay: Hotel near Alajuela, Central Valley area</p>
Saturday, January 4	<p>Travel up to Poas volcano. Visit Doka Estate coffee farm Lunch at farm Visit National Park volcano Poas, including 1 hour hike in forest Afternoon lecture Overnight stay: Hotel in the Valle Occidental coffee region</p>
Sunday, January 5	<p>Visit to the Valle of Sarchi. The Co-op Coopronaranjo and a small local farm Lunch at Canas Dulce Visit the village of Sarchi Brief tour of an old oxcart factory Overnight stay: Hotel in the Valle Occidental coffee region</p>
Monday, January 6	<p>Brief visit at AKI café Travel up into the mountains of the Tarrazu and Dota coffee region Walk around town of Santa Maria de Dota and visit the Coopedota Lecture w/ professor Overnight stay: Cedrela Lodge at Copey de Dota</p>
Tuesday, January 7	<p>Visit coffee farm Overnight stay: Cedrela Lodge at Copey de Dota</p>
Wednesday, January 8	<p>Drive towards the Turrialba Stop at the coffee region of Orosu for a hike and farm visit Arriving at Turrialba, group will split up in their homestays for two nights Dinner and breakfast will be taken individually at home stays and lunches will be with the whole group</p>
Thursday, January 9	<p>Free time to walk around Turrialba After regrouping visit at CATIE (the famous Agricultural Research and education center</p>
Friday, January 10	<p>Drive down to the Costa Rican lowlands stopping at banana and pineapple plantations Afternoon time in town and Caribbean beach of Cahuita Dinner and cultural evening with local live calypso music Overnight stay: Posada Rural Casa Calateas, Cahuita</p>
Saturday, January 11	<p>Full day tour in the area of the Bri Bri's Farm visit Lunch in community Hike Overnight stay: In lodge in the Bri Bri community of Yorkin</p>

Sunday, January 12	Cultural activity Spend evening in village of Puerto Viejo de Talamanca Overnight stay: Posada Rural Casa Calateas, Cahuita
Monday, January 13	Hike Drive towards Central Valley and San Jose, walk in capital Farewell dinner Overnight stay: Hotel in San Jose
Tuesday, January 14	Depart for airport
Wednesday, January 15	Flight back to USA