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COSTA RICA QUESTIONS

What is the cost of living in Costa Rica?

Regardless of where you settle down, the overall cost of living is relatively low when compared to the United States and much of Europe. Most single expats in Costa Rica can live comfortably on USD\$1,500 to \$2,000 per month. A family of four may be able to live comfortably on USD\$3,000 to \$3500.

How is the health care system in Costa Rica?

Costa Rica has the best health system in Latin America and some of the best medical care in the modern world. The healthcare system in Costa Rica is frequently cited as one of the best.

The country is ranked 36th in the world by the World Health Organization, above the United States, Cuba, and New Zealand. Meanwhile, the United Nations places healthcare in Costa Rica within the top 20 in the world.

What is the major airport?

Juan Santamaria International Airport is the main airport in Costa Rica. It is located in the city of San Jose at a distance of 18 km from the center of the capital. This air terminal has a modern infrastructure where an average of 4.4 million passengers pass annually. It is considered the third best airport in the Latin American and Caribbean region.

It is located 127 km from Parrita, 2 hours driving.

What languages are spoken in Costa Rica?

Spanish is the main language. But English is widely spoken throughout the country.

Is it worth buying a car in Costa Rica?

Definitely yes. Keep in mind that, if you are going to want to move around the country and get to know it, you are going to need a car and this is going to give you incredible freedom. In addition, you can buy it as a foreigner and when you leave, sell it for practically the same price.

If you are going to buy a car, make sure it is a 4x4 car, since, at some point during your stay, you will surely need to go on more wild roads. You also have the option of renting a car in Costa Rica, but the prices can be high at times. If you want it for a few days in particular, that's fine, but if you want it for a long time, it's best to buy.

There is also public transportation, which is much cheaper and is safe.

Can a non-resident buy property outright in Costa Rica?

Yes; non-residents can buy private land directly in Costa Rica and there are no restrictions.

How much can I expect to pay in closing costs?

Closing costs in Costa Rica are approx 3.3 percent of the property's purchase price, which includes: Land Transfer (1.5 percent of purchase price), National Registry Stamps (0.8 percent of purchase price), and Notary and Attorney's fees (approximately 1 percent of purchase price).

Are there property taxes in Costa Rica?

Yes; The Costa Rican property tax is low compared to the international standard. The annual tax base is 0.25 percent of the value of the property.

Owners must pay annual property tax, payable quarterly. Most municipalities will give you a discount if you pay all year in advance. The tax is 0.25 percent of the registered value of your property in the municipality (not in the National Registry), as regulated by Law 7509.

How is the Education System?

Costa Rica has the best education system in Latin America, it's literacy rate is 97.7%

It boast a significant number of internationally recognized private schools and its public school system have a solid Reputation. The universities are highly recognized in Latin America and many students from neighboring countries come to study at the universities in Costa Rica.

The best part of the Costa Rican education system is that your child will have the opportunity to experience the outdoors that few places on earth can offer. Whether it be the ocean, jungle, mountains, volcanoes, waterfalls or any other natural amenities Costa Rica has the best biodiversity the planet can offer.

How safe is Costa Rica?

Costa Rica is, one of the safest countries in Latin America. In the 2020 Global Peace Index, Costa Rica is ranked 32 out of 163 countries when it comes to overall peace. In Central America and The Caribbean overall, Costa Rica is ranked the number one most peaceful country in the region out of 12.

Can foreigners legally work in Costa Rica?

In order to legally work in Costa Rica, you must either be a citizen of the country or have legal permanent residence. Generally, to obtain permanent residence you must have held temporary residence for at least three years before applying.

Permanent residence or citizenship are the only two immigration statuses that carry no restrictions. Other residence options (rentista, pensionado, etc.) are considered temporary. With these visa options you can own a business but you cannot work in that business. Your responsibilities must be limited to the management of the business.

How is the food and nutrition in Costa Rica?

Costa Rica has so many different climates and altitudes, and that means an abundance of fruits and vegetables.

From passion fruit and dragon fruit to bananas and strawberries, there are almost as many types of fruit in Costa Rica as there are places to visit. When you live here you will have the ability to improve your health, skin and mood with the better food quality and healthier options.

Parrita Main Facts

Founded: July 5, 1971

Province: Puntarenas

Average Temp: 29.1 C 84.5F

Average Sunrise: 5:25 AM

Average Sunset: 6:02 PM

Elevation: 4 m (13 ft)

Neighborhoods: La Ligia, El INVU, Sitradique, Julieta

Main Economy: Agriculture of African Palm Tree

The nearby Damas estuary mangrove forest is home to a wide variety of animals, crocodiles, pumas, the coatimundi and Costa Rica's treasured monkey species. Parrita River is another terrific destination for nature-loving tourists, as the Class II and III rapids are a fun adventure for all members of the family.

These rapids are ideal for those just learning how to whitewater raft, and can be an exciting way to view some of the marine wildlife and birds in the area, including the giant cranes, ibis, storks and egrets. Sport fishing is another popular activity for visitors to Parrita, as tuna, marlin, wahoo and snook can all be found in bunches in the nearby Pacific Ocean.

FAQ of Parrita

Where is Parrita Located?

Parrita is a canton and its only district in the Puntarenas province of Costa Rica. It's only 41 minutes from the famous Jaco and 40 minutes from Manuel Antonio National Park.

What is Parrita Like?

The little town of Parrita is on the way to the famous Manuel Antonio while sitting in the middle of an African oil palm farm. The canton itself is surrounded by a number of rivers, including the Damas, Picaritos, Palo Seco, Jicote, Chires and the Parrita.

The people are very friendly and the atmosphere is laid back. This is a place to escape but still close to world-class locations.

What Tourism Activities Are Available?

Parrita and its surrounding areas are an excellent place to visit for any traveler looking to partake in ecotourism.



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