

# COSTA RICA 2012

**\$1699 + everything included**

**Saturday February 18, 2012 – Sunday February 26, 2012**

Offered through: **Dellecave Educational Institute.**

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**Eco-tour participants seeking In-Service Credits register for credits through Dellecave.**

Course work is to be submitted to Eric Powers, who will report to Dellecave.

Obtain either 3 **In-service credits** or 3 Graduate Credits:

- **3 In-Service Credits** for doing the trip, including:
  - National Zoo: (San Jose): Study the layers of a rainforest and the importance of bio-diversity.
  - Osa Botanical Gardens: Examine unique plant species.
  - Tropical Ecosystem: Consider European impacts on people and wildlife.
  - Mountain Areas: Understand speciation on these unique hilltops.
  - Volcanic zones: Record the geology of this tropical beltway.
  - National Parks: Explain how ecotourism is saving wildlife in CR.
  - Tico Culture: Past to present cultural changes.

## **PLUS**

- **3 Graduate Credits** for completing all of the following work:
  - Keeping a daily photo/word journal of trip.
  - **Pre-trip** - assigned readings/viewings (do 4 of the 6 items)
    - “Nature of the Rainforest: Costa Rica and Beyond” – Adrian Forsyth
      - “Costa Rica: A Journey through Nature” – Adrian Hepworth
      - “Costa Rican Wildlife: An Introduction to Familiar Species” (A Pocket Guide)
      - “Tropical Nature: Life and Death in the Rainforests of Central and South America” – Adrian Forsyth
      - “The Omnivore’s Dilemma: A Natural History of Four Meals” – Michael Pollan
      - DVD’s:
        - ◆ The Blue Butterfly
        - ◆ The Jeff Corwin Experience: Costa Rica: The Arribatta & The Amazon
  - **Post-Trip Preparation** of a week-long lesson plan on trip themes, such as:
    - Bio-diversity.
    - Unique flora/fauna.
    - Geology of Central America.
    - Latin culture, climate & seasons...”Pura Vida”
- **Tax options: Don’t forget to ask your accountant about claiming the trip (or part) as an educational expense.**