



ADVENTURE COSTA RICA

This November, join us for a hands-on 10 day adventure with Camel Trophy veterans. Experience the rainforest, mountains and beaches of Costa Rica with exclusive access to private estates, remote camps and handpicked luxury lodges.

Monday, October 31st to Wednesday, November 9th, 2016

Come and join 7P International on an all inclusive 600 km (370 mile) trek through Northern Costa Rica's mountains, rainforests and dry forests. Go places the typical tourist would never dare to explore while being accompanied with a cadre of guides with a unique set of talents, expertise and skills in global off-road travel and instruction.

7P has access like no one else in Costa Rica. We'll travel on "Trochas" (primitive jungle tracks) that haven't been driven in decades except by a teams of oxen working nearby fields. These private estates and roads are not traveled by everyday tourists. 7P has access to multiple private ranches and "fincas", or farms, in excess of 30,000 acres.

The best adventures are experienced in your own vehicle and 7P offers our own no hassle concierge shipping service from Florida to Costa Rica. Alternatively, fantastic rental vehicles can be arranged.

Accommodation includes the best luxury lodges available, and we write the book on five star camping!

October 31 - After arriving in San Jose guests are greeted by 7P staff at the airport to be privately shuttled to the hotel. All guests are encouraged to arrive as early as possible on the 23rd to enjoy the amenities at our nearby boutique hotel. Evening cocktail party and opening banquet followed by dinner and presentation of expedition details.

November 1 - Group Breakfast, followed by briefing on receiving vehicles from the customs authorities. Drivers only need to receive vehicles. Non-drivers are

welcome to stay and enjoy the hotel facilities. 7P has partnered with Land Rover San Jose and arranged a highly secure location to receive vehicles, in their private warehouse. Customs procedures will take up the morning of the 24th. After returning to the hotel in convoy, the rest of the day is devoted to last minute vehicle preparation and packing. 7P guides will be available to help with vehicles. Finally, we'll have a route briefing, and retire for an early departure tomorrow.

November 2 - Group breakfast and departure. The day starts with some pavement miles to get out of the city then "Lastrete" dirt roads to the cloud forest of Monte Verde. Driving is relatively easy, including mountainous shelf roads and some wonderful valley river crossings. A good first day to get your feet wet in Costa Rica. After six to seven hours of driving, we'll arrive at the Hotel El Establo.

November 3 - The first challenge for our guests with a signature "7P Experience" day! Based on years of Camel Trophy experience, this day will be filled with driving, navigation, pioneering, bridge building, river crossings, and technical winching - pretty much whatever it takes to get through the 25 km section that we will re-open for standard, local vehicle travel. We'll fill the entire day with around 70 km of driving with two major river crossings. This will be as close as you can get to a typical day on Camel Trophy, except we'll be staying at the lovely Hotel La Mansion on Lake Arenal. Depending on the weather, this will take six to seven hours.

November 4 - A spectacular day in Costa Rica's National Parks. After breakfast we depart for Guanacaste. We'll travel through the volcano region of Tenorio and Mira Valley and stop by Rio Celeste and its crystal clear blue water - unparalleled in the world.

Again, we will encounter river crossings, jungle track and just about every type of Central American bridge you can imagine. We'll skirt along the Rincon de la Vieja National Park and work our way down to the Pan American Highway for a short 10 km, then off to Hotel Borenquin Mountain Resort and Spa. Mud baths, hot springs and amazing Costa Rican hospitality. Borenquin is truly a place to come back to.

November 5 - After a leisurely, late departure from the Hotel Borenquin we will work our way to the Santa Rosa National Park. Uniquely, we have special permission to exit through their private 30,000 acre ranch. From there we enter the Santa Rosa National Park and head to the beach Playa Blanca; where we

will have a private picnic lunch and be able to enjoy the Pacific ocean by ourselves.

From Playa Blanca we will travel north to the town of La Cruz and our first camping night on a private Hacienda on the beach, again by ourselves.

November 6 and 7 - We break camp and head to the Hacienda to have a wonderful breakfast before departing for Sarapiquí and the central valley. This valley is home to our local guide David, owner and operator of the Sarapiquí Outdoor Center. After about a 3 hours we will arrive at Finca Dona Duina where we will camp exclusively on a private farm by the Pozo Azul waterfall. Arriving at Dona Duina's ranch, we will again challenge the drivers whilst accessing to our camping location. We will stay for the next two nights and be able to enjoy different activities that the Sarapiquí river valley has to offer. While camping on the Pozo Azul river we'll be able to swim and enjoy the pristine waterfalls and river all to ourselves. River Rafting, National Parks, Bird Watching and adventuring are some of the activities to offer. Or sit back, relax and do nothing.

And there's always the opportunity for more technical four-wheel driving.

This evenings meal will be a traditional Costa Rican barbecue.

November 8 - Leaving Dona Duina ranch may be exciting - winching is often necessary - unless we can commandeer a local ox team! We'll have about a four hour trip back to the San Jose valley and some of the more challenging off-road terrain of the trip. More river crossings and technical driving will be encountered. Weather permitting we will travel around the Poaz Volcano to a location where we can enter the National Park and view the crater.

Arrival at the hotel in San Jose should be around mid afternoon, and guests are free until dinner to enjoy the hotel.

At the final group dinner in a private room at the hotel, we can share stories, pictures and contact information with the new friends we have made. Then we talk about the next adventure 7P has to offer.

November 9 - Group breakfast and coordination of vehicles back to Land Rover's private warehouse where we sign off on our manifests and turn keys over to our importation partners, finalise paperwork and then head for the airport.