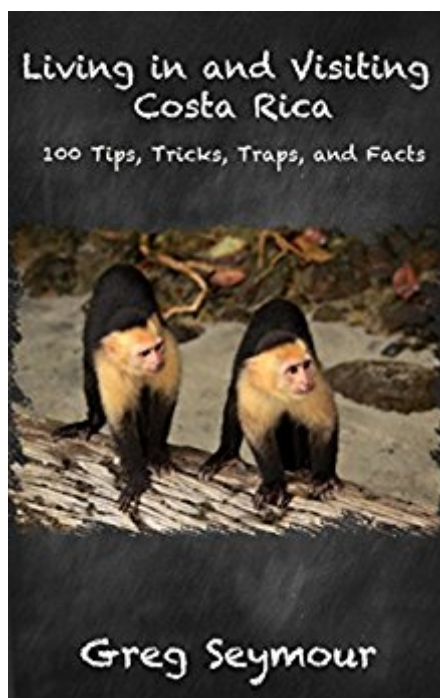


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Living In And Visiting Costa Rica: 100 Tips, Tricks, Traps, And Facts



Synopsis

Finally, a book on Costa Rica that gives a "slice of life" view of this tropical, Central American country. Real world examples of what to expect at: the bank, the grocery store, the restaurant, the restroom, when driving, and more. The book is written in a lighthearted, humorous way and answers questions such as: What are 3 things you can do as a customer at a bank in the U.S. that you will get your hand slapped for in Costa Rica? What app would a wise person visiting Costa Rica put on their cell phone for use in the restroom? What is considered rude in a U.S. restaurant but is a necessity to ensure you get to enjoy a hot entrée in Costa Rica? These observations and over 100 more (yes, there are some extras thrown in) are covered to help you get the most out of your visit or move to Costa Rica. No one famous ever said: "I look forward to a day when books are not judged by the number of characters in their content, but the content of those characters." But they should have. Living in and Visiting Costa Rica is comprised of just over 31,000 words that will positively impact your research of Costa Rica, whether you are a tourist or a potential expat.

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Customer Reviews

GREAT book I really enjoyed reading Greg's guidebook on tips for visiting or living in Costa Rica. It is such a fun read. We visited Costa Rica last October and fell in love with this beautiful small country. My husband and I are retiring this fall. We are so ready for some new adventures in this new upcoming chapter of our lives. So we have made the decision to move to Costa Rica. A few of the things Greg mentioned in his book we had already experienced first hand on our visit there. The other tips in his book we found very helpful in making plans for our upcoming move. I did have a few questions for Greg that I emailed him with the address he gives at the end of his book. Greg quickly got back to me with answers to my questions. I highly recommend "Living in and Visiting Costa Rica: 100 Tips, Tricks, Traps, and Facts" if you are going to make a visit to Costa Rica or if you are planning on moving there.

Costa Rica is a popular destination for Norteamericanos so there is no shortage of travel guides pertaining to the country with plenty of advice on where to stay and what to see and how much you can expect to pay for all that. What has been lacking, up to now, has been a practical guide to day-to-day life in Costa Rica, a niche that Greg Seymour's book fills very well. How do you use the bus system or buy a car? How do you set up good wifi/phone connections? How do you go about renting a house or opening a bank account? Greg answers all those kinds of questions and does so in an entertaining way. A book like this could easily devolve into a dry and tedious list. But Greg explains everything with his trademark wry wit and engaging personal anecdotes. It is chock full of lots of extremely useful information. If you're planning to reside in Costa Rica for any length of time, and only have room in your luggage for one book, this is the one to take with you.

If you are going to Costa Rica it is well worth the price. I read it before we left on our 2 week journey to Costa Rica. We found almost everything to be true. There has been a few changes but most still are true. The addition that I would made is a Spanish to English and English to Spanish guide. We had a false sense of security that we could use the translator on our cell phone. Can not use without WIFI. We met some great people and a local guide that spoke both Spanish and English fluently.

Unlike a lot of people, I bought this book for my wife and I to read AFTER we got back from Costa

Rica. Fortunately, my wife and I have traveled and worked in other developing countries that have many of the same challenges. It was interesting to read about similar situations as experienced in other countries and enlightening to read about new ones. This book is a must read for experienced travelers or definitely for someone new to foreign travel. I read the book because we are one of those couples thinking seriously of moving permanently to Costa Rica. Good basic suggestions! Sometimes commonsense does not prevail when you are in paradise! Whether you are simply visiting Costa Rica or are contemplating A permanent move, this is a must read.

Very informative and realistic book about living or visiting for a long period of time in Costa Rica. I have been to Costa Rica three times and have done a lot of research on this little country, but there were several things I learned from Greg Seymour's book. So, even if you have visited Costa Rica, I would still highly recommend his book. I learned about the nuances of even getting in the door of a bank there. I have only used their ATM machines, so the banking information was very helpful to me personally. He made excellent points on the "type" of person that should not move there! If you are considering retiring or even visiting Costa Rica, I would highly recommend that you read this book!

Greg completely nails it in this book! Having gone thru much of the same discoveries and experiences that he has over the past 2 years here, I can truly say that he glosses over nothing. While this book will not tell you where to get the best real estate bargains, or what areas are the best or cheapest to live in, or which type of health care options are best for you, it will give you a glimpse into what idiosyncrasies and cultural norms you will face living as an expat in Costa Rica. It is not a "how to" book as much as a "This is how life is here for an expat, love it or leave it!"

Please dont read this book or find your way to Costa Rica. I want it all to myself, to many Americans in one place and it becomes commercialized. Just kidding great read and great tips on immersing yourself in a true paradise that is pure and beautiful. Enjoy the book and enjoy the secret of Costa Rica.

This is just the kind of book you want to read if you are seriously considering looking into moving to Costa Rica (which I am). It is not only fun, entertaining reading, it is also very informative about aspects of daily life that it can be important to know about if you are going to relocate, as opposed to visiting this country. For example: what to expect in restaurants, how people drive (crazily), the cost

of cars (exorbitant) as compared to local means of transportation (abundant, efficient and cheap), how to stay connected via Internet and cell phone, living with insects, snakes and monkeys, how to bank (or not), where and how to shop, and perhaps most important, the value of learning to move out of the fast lane.

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