



La Marta

Wildlife Refuge

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Let Us Share
Our Wildlife Refuge with you



Creation: June 1991

It is the 1st private wildlife refuge in Costa Rica.

It is managed by a Costa Rican family dedicated to education for over 87 years.



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Main Goal

Educate visitors on how to take better care of our Planet Earth, by protecting the forest.

3,751 acres:

Of tropical rainforest of which
60% is primary forest

1,640 ft to 5,905 ft:

Elevation above sea level

+15K

Visitors per year

**Part of a biological corridor
(boundaries):**

- La Amistad International Park
- Tapantí National Park
- Macizo de la Muerte Conservation Area

La Marta is Pure Water



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Two rivers run through La Marta, **Gato and Marta**, among many streams and small waterfalls of pure and crystalline water, that generate a wide variety of habitats and allow the presence of numerous animals and plants.

Industrial Archaeological Monument

Within the boundaries of La Marta, there are ruins of what once was a estate of the 1800s.

One can observe the coffee mill, the processing sugar cane plant, and other structures where sugar cane, coffee, cocoa and banana were produced and exported.

Today the ruins are a historical architectural heritage, and a living example that although more than 900 acres of tropical rainforest were devastated in the 19th century, it was regenerated and became a secondary forest.



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Sustainability Certifications:

Ecological Blue Flag Program

One of Costa Rican governmental
programs for sustainability
recognition

La Marta has participated
in the Program **for over 10 years**,
being recognized with
the **máximum distinction**



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Environmental Education Walks

La Martas has **a program to train local guides in natural history.** **Castro Carazo University** gives them scholarships to learn English.

These guides will walk you through our trails, and explain the wonders of the forest, as well as the history of La Marta.





Facilities



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Trails

**11 miles of dirt, mud
and stone trails from easy hikes
to expert level ones.**

These trails provide scenic views
of rivers, small waterfalls, ponds,
landscapes, and historical sites

You will undoubtedly
enjoy a peaceful time in direct
contact with nature.



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Tucan Lodge

It can comfortably house up to 20 people.

It has 4 rooms with bunk beds,
shared bathrooms / showers.

Along the outdoor corridors of the lodge
you will have great views of the impressive
greenery at La Marta and it is possible to see
many birds species.

Camping Area

There are camping huts equipped with clean drinking water, cooking grill, and a picnic table.

There are also shared bathrooms and showers.

You can bring your own tent or rent one from La Marta.

There is no electricity in this part of the Refuge, but there is internet for academic groups.



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Multifunctional Room Classroom

The dining room can be used as a classroom for **30 – 50 students**, with a screen, whiteboard, and projector. It is located on the first floor of the Lodge, it has excellent internet For making video calls and virtual presentations.



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Food Service

Eventhough La Marta does not have
an on / site restaurant,
it can be arranged to have some or
all of your meals at the Lodge, during
your stay.



Tours and Activities in the area

If you want to go **rafting, zip – lining,**
visit an indigenous monument,
or do other type of tours within the area,
we can coordinate them for you.

Ask the sales and reservations
department for more information.



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¡We are waiting for you!

Service hours:

Monday - Sunday
7:00 a. m. - 4:00 p. m.
365 days a year

The refuge is open every day.

We require a reservation prior to your visit as we have a daily maximum capacity limit.

Day pass

7:00 a. m. - 4:00 p. m.

Rooms and camping

Check-in

1:00 p. m.

Check out

12:00 noon.



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**Remember to make
your reservation**

**Take advantage of
summer days in our forest**

**A refuge for
curiQsity**

Sales and reservations

Monday to Friday

from 8:00 a. m. to 5:00 p. m.

Saturday

from 8:00 a. m. to 12:00 md.



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