

A woman with dark hair in a ponytail, wearing a dark jacket and grey leggings, stands on a wooden deck, pointing her right arm towards a two-story wooden lodge in the background. The lodge has a balcony and is surrounded by dense tropical jungle with tall trees and lush greenery. The scene is brightly lit, suggesting daytime.

Rios LODGE

PACUARE-COSTA RICA

Weddings & Honeymoons

Pura Vida in love...

Create an unforgettable wedding experience in the heart of the Costa Rican rainforest. Award-winning Rios Lodge offers a unique and immersive setting with stunning natural beauty, thrilling outdoor activities, and endless opportunities for deep connection and relaxation. Whether it's an intimate ceremony or a grand celebration, Rios Lodge is the perfect venue for your special day.

Deep in the rainforest!

Nestled on the banks of the Pacuare River, Rios Lodge is the perfect backdrop for any style of adventure—surrounded by the beauty and splendor of Costa Rica's tropical rainforest, all while enjoying comfortable rooms overlooking the river, in-room electricity, lighted walkways at night, and sumptuous tropical meals and beverages. Sustainably built using reclaimed wood and totally off the grid with hydroelectric power, our ecolodge is an award-winning model of regenerative ecotourism.



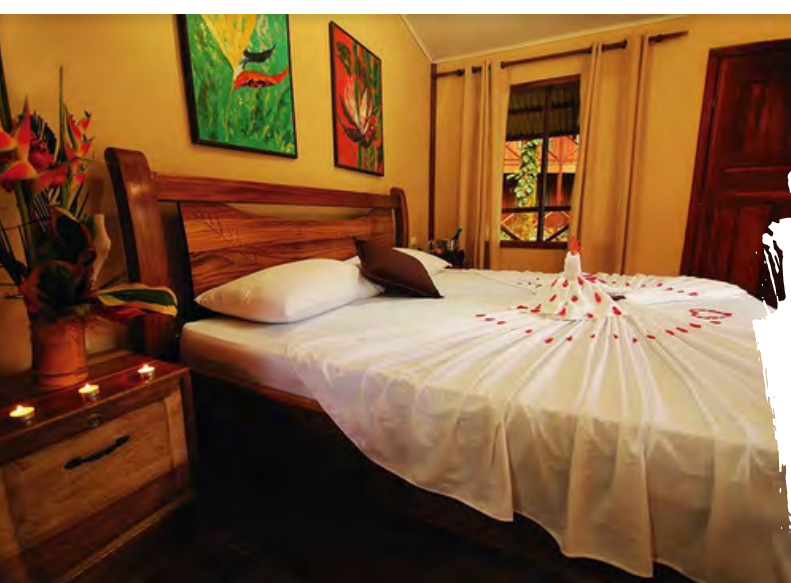
The Rios Lodge is located in Limon Province on the Atlantic side of Costa Rica. It is adjacent to the Cabecar Indigenous Reserve and to one of Costa Rica's largest biological corridors. The nearest towns are Santa Marta and tiny Bajos del Tigre—but don't let that fool you: we are not accessible by car! All guests, staff, and supplies come in either via hiking the trail or rafting down the river. Getting here is definitely part of the adventure fun...when we say we are a remote lodge in the rainforest, we mean it!

Situated on 250 acres of primary and secondary rainforest, the lodge enjoys hiking trails created and used by the indigenous Cabecar people. Acquired by Rios Lodge Stewards in 2022, we are committed to upholding the Rios Tropicales heritage while introducing exciting upgrades and expansions, like the all new eco-hostel that opened in 2023. Rios Lodge proudly operates with local staff and uses regenerative forms of power for electricity.



A white towel swan is artfully folded on a bed, its necks curved to form a heart shape. Two vibrant red flowers with green leaves are tucked into the swan's wings. The background is a softly blurred view of a room with large windows looking out onto a lush green landscape.

Our *accommodations* offer
an intimate retreat and sanctuary for you
and your guests! Craft the ultimate stay.



Accommodations

Imagine savoring moments on our scenic decks overlooking the Pacuare River, sharing zipline adventure tales, or relaxing with a book in one of our hammocks. The sounds of the rainforest echo throughout, and a chef-made dinner is minutes away. Life is good.

Whether it's a honeymoon escape or a destination adventure wedding—enjoy the comfort of our varied accommodations:

- We have 17 private cabin rooms including suites, deluxe, and classic rooms with private bathrooms. These rooms comfortably accommodate 1 to 4 guests, depending on bed type. Serves from 35-46 guests.
- Or consider booking our all new eco-hostel, with shared, gender-specific bathrooms. Eight bunk rooms sleep up to 8 guests each, with eight separate bunk beds in each fully screened room. Serves up to 64 guests.

Founded in 1989 as a river rafting tent camp by Rios Tropicales co-founder Rafael Gallo, the lodge has evolved into an eco-conscious wilderness sanctuary. Open-air yet fully-screened rooms welcome the sounds of the rainforest and Pacuare River - Mother Nature's "white noise" at its most profound.

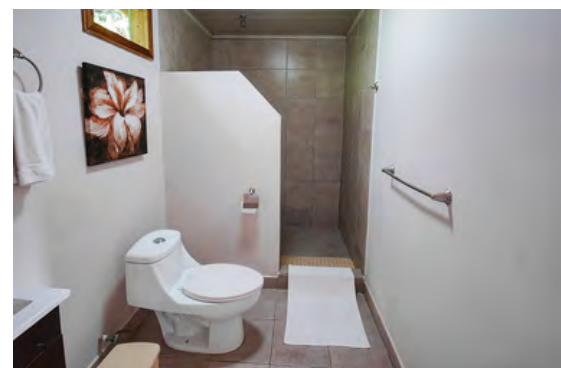
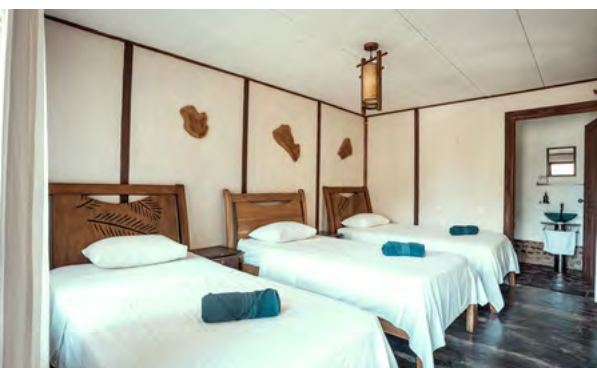
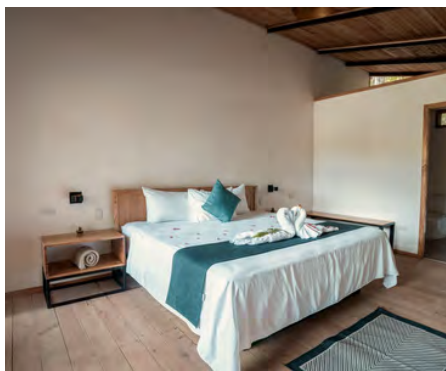
All rooms and the eco-hostel are within easy walking distance of the dining pavilion, river view deck, and multiple waterfall wading pools.

Did you know?

The entire Rios Lodge can be rented for your event!

Room Options & Details

- ✔ Suites, Deluxe, & Classic Rooms with private baths & walk-in hot showers
- ✔ All linens and towels in room, with extra towels for waterfall pools/swimming
- ✔ Eco-friendly soap and shampoo
- ✔ In-room electrical plugs
- ✔ Rooms have a variety of king, queen, twin, and bunk beds
- ✔ Filtered water for drinking
- ✔ Covered balconies
- ✔ Hammocks for lounging & dreaming
- ✔ Satellite WiFi in dining pavilion area



Eco-hostel

The Rios Lodge Eco-hostel is the first of its kind along the Pacuare River, offering budget-conscious groups & travelers the opportunity to experience a part of the Costa Rican rainforest you can only reach by raft or foot. Sustainably built and immersed in the rainforest on the Central Caribe side of Costa Rica, this hostel is eco-friendly in materials, construction process, and operations.



Each bunk room sleeps up to eight guests, with eight individual bunk beds. Rest in your stunning and thoughtfully crafted open-air, fully-screened bunk room, connect with other travelers in the common lounge and covered deck area, and explore the surrounding nature with optional guided adventures and activities.

The eco-hostel also has shared gender-specific bathrooms with hot water walk-in showers. All personal linens and towels are provided with your eco-hostel room.

Did you know?

Our covered deck at our eco-hostel is the perfect place for wedding ceremonies, parties, group activities like yoga, and more—for up to 64 guests.



Wow your guests with the
flavors of Costa Rica
with every meal.

It's 5 o'clock somewhere!

No one needs to wait until 5 o'clock to enjoy the Rios Lodge fully stocked bar at our dining pavilion!

Our lodge facilities include several areas to relax in comfort with a cool drink in hand, from pavilions to waterfall pools!

Our full-service bar (additional charges apply) supplies plenty of options to find your drink of choice, including:

- 🍷 Quality wines
- 🍺 Rios Lodge branded craft beer
- 🍸 A variety of spirits
- 🍹 Crafted mocktails for that zero-proof lifestyle
- 🥤 Sodas

And of course, staples are provided at no additional charge:

- ☕ Coffee
- 🍵 Tea
- 💧 Water

Additional payments can be made with a credit card or cash on site.

Or consider an all-inclusive destination wedding experience for your guests!



Meals Included

Our guests have many special experiences at Rios Lodge, and some of the most memorable happen during meals overlooking the river. This is the time to share stories, connect with friends old and new, and, of course, enjoy impressive dishes. You and your guests can come together in our open-air dining pavilion for breakfast, lunch, and dinner to taste fresh, delicious flavors of the rainforest.



We minimize our ecological impact with renewable solar and micro hydropower energy. We reduce, recycle, and reuse wherever possible, and transport non-compostable items by rafts for proper disposal and recycling in Siquirres. Our Turrialba Operations Center reduces the load required of our off-the-grid energy systems and maximizes our efficiencies.



Our in-house chef knows that the best dishes start with the individual ingredients, so we prioritize using the freshest foods, locally sourced whenever possible. We partner with local farmers to source the highest quality vegetables, eggs, and herbs. These partnerships help us create beautiful dishes that come straight from the land around you when you choose Rios Lodge for your wedding or honeymoon, honoring our commitment to community and sustainability.



Dietary Info & Special Requests

At our remote ecolodge, we have a fixed menu and plan all the dishes two weeks before guests arrive. Our menu includes vegetarian and vegan dishes. In addition, several dishes can be made gluten-free upon advance notice.

- 🌿 Vegetarian and Vegan
- 🌿 Gluten-Free Options

We have worked hard to create an amazing and varied menu, but due to our remote location and minimal on-site cold storage, we are not able to accommodate last-minute or on-site special requests.

If the entire Lodge is being rented, we will cater the meals to the specific wishes of the wedding party.

About Our Chef

We are honored and excited to house a skilled chef who can turn simple, fresh ingredients into a meal you'll remember for years. From classic Costa Rican fare to thoughtful fusion dishes, our dining experience will leave you satisfied and looking forward to the next meal.

Chef Luca has traveled the world as a highly-esteemed chef, working in fine dining in France, the Caribbean, Canada, Ibiza, and now, Costa Rica. Chef Luca loves to play with fusion cuisine, combining unique tropical ingredients with the strategies of a French cuisine-trained chef.



Sample Menu Fare

BREAKFAST

- ☛ Gallo Pinto Omelet
- ☛ Fresh Fruits & Banana Cakes
- ☛ Fried Eggs with Potato, Avocado, & Bacon
- ☛ Robust Costa Rica Coffee & Fruit Juices

LUNCH

- ☛ Chop Suey, Chicken or Beef
- ☛ Rigatoni Pasta with Bacon, Sautéed Eggplant & Zucchini Tomato Sauce
- ☛ Costa Rican Beef Stew with Sweet Mashed Potatoes & Vegetables
- ☛ Chicken Teriyaki Served with Rice & Vegetables
- ☛ Mahi Mahi Filet in a Butter Lime Sauce with Rice & Vegetables
- ☛ ✓ Spring Roll with Plum Sauce
- ☛ ✓ Roasted Tofu with Pomodoro & Basil Sauce & Vegetables
- ☛ ✓ Eggplant & Zucchini Duo, Feta Cheese, Arugula, Balsamic Glaze
- ☛ ✓ Pasta Pomodoro Sauce

¡Buen provecho!

DINNER

- ☛ Chicken Breast Covered with Provolone & Pomodoro Sauce, Served with Rice and Vegetables
- ☛ Chicken Skewers On the Grill with Tzatziki Sauce, Served with Couscous and Ratatouille
- ☛ ✓ Vegetarian Lasagna served with Mixed Salad
- ☛ Sautéed Beef in a Soy, Honey, Ginger, Lime Sauce, Served with Rice
- ☛ Mahi Mahi filet with Capers, Black Olives, Pomodoro Sauce, Served with Vegetables

DESSERT

- ☛ Passion Fruit Mousse
- ☛ Tiramisu
- ☛ Pina Colada Cheesecake
- ☛ Chocolate Mousse
- ☛ Exotic Fruit Pie



No matter someone's style of adventure,
we have *activities*
for all vibes.

Activities

Rios Lodge offers many activities on-site for you and your guests. In between group activities, join us for one of our daily creek hikes or hop on our eight-zipline course over the Pacuare River. Enjoy a soak or sunbathe at one of the multiple waterfall pools steps from our common areas. If the water levels are appropriate, river tubing is a great way to spend the day. The activities are endless!

These lodge activities are included in group packages. Tree planting (growing season dependent) and conservation tours are available by request. For a special ecotourism activity, make a difference with your group by joining us to plant native hardwood trees as part of our decades-long reforestation program within our 2,000 acre private reserve.



Adventurous

Enjoy these exhilarating outdoor excursions with ease and comfort!

- 🍃 Pacuare Rafting
- 🍃 Ziplining
- 🍃 Tubing
- 🍃 Hiking
- 🍃 Horseback Riding (additional fees)



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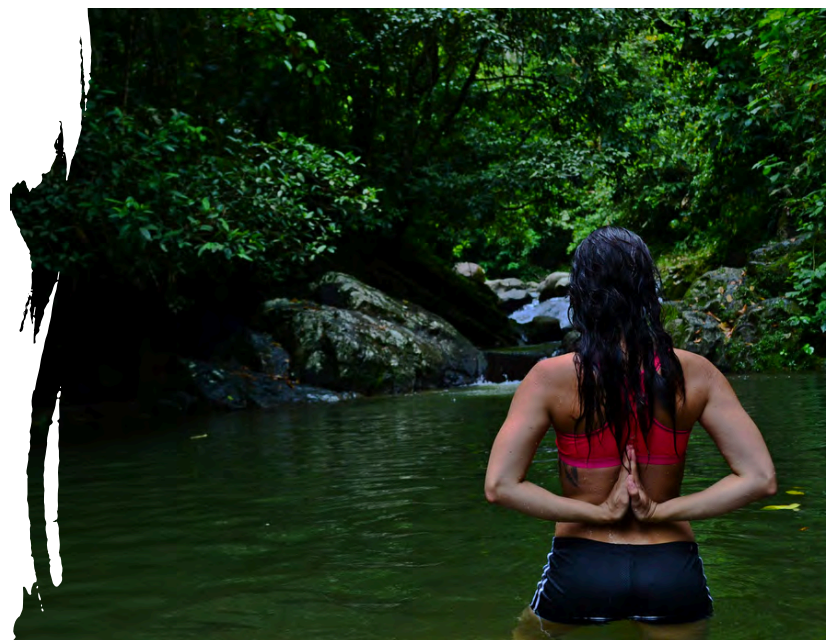
Sit back, relax, and connect over simple pleasures with a beautiful view.

- 🍃 Waterfalls & Swimming Holes
- 🍃 Property Strolls
- 🍃 Hammocks and Yoga Mats
- 🍃 Massages

Sense of Wonder

See wildlife and nature scenes you thought you could only find in National Geographic.

- 🍃 Conservation Tours
- 🍃 Morning Hummingbird Garden Hikes
- 🍃 Bird Watching
- 🍃 Bullet Ant Night Hikes





Experience

conservation in action

at Rios Lodge.



Conservation

We believe in the power of community and conservation – at the local, national, and international level. Our commitment to furthering the legacy of Rios Tropicales co-founder Rafael “Rafa” Gallo includes partnering with the Rivers and Forests Alliance, founded by the Gallo-Jimenez Family on conservation projects that include their 2,000+ acre private rainforest reserve.

- Rainforest reforestation & biodiversity protection.
- Collaborating with and supporting local conservation partners with in-kind and financial support to protect the greater Pacuare River ecosystem.
- Collaborating with local ecotourism partners to boost sustainable community economic development.
- Collaborating with indigenous communities to support their goals.



Sustainability

Sustainability is so much more than a buzzword at the Rios Lodge; it has been the cornerstone of all lodge development and operations since the lodge was first started in 1989. Initiatives include:

- Solar Power
- Off-the-Grid Micro Hydropower Energy
- Reclaimed Building Materials
- Leave No Trace Practices
- Regenerative Tourism & Conservation
- Local Staff, Free Community Trainings

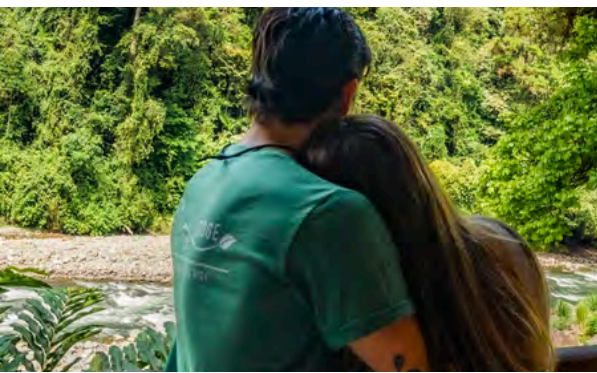




Enjoy a completely customized
destination escape
at Rios Lodge.

We can customize your special event!

- Weddings, Elopements, Vow Renewals
- Special Events: Bachelor/ette Parties, Reunions, Anniversaries, Birthdays
- Retreats: Spiritual, Yoga, Workshops, Trainings, Corporate and Teambuilding
- Special Interest Groups: Science and Research, Photography, Artists, & more
- Sports Groups: Paddlers, Hikers
- Educational Groups: Schools & Universities, Medical Continuing Education Courses



Sample Itinerary - 4 Day Package

ITINERARY

Day 0: Arrive in San Jose Airport in the evening.

- Transportation to San Jose area hotel arranged independently*
- Dinner in San Jose arranged independently*

Day 1: Departure for Rios Lodge.

- Leave San Jose at 8 AM
- Breakfast at the hotel between 6 AM - 8 AM
- Arrive at the class 2-3 Pacuare River section at approximately 10:30 AM
- Raft into Rios Lodge, arrival between 12:30-1:30 PM
- Rios Lodge Welcome & Check-In!

Day 2 & 3: Open for wedding festivities & activities!

Day 4: Exit the lodge either through hiking or rafting, return to San Jose.

- Rafting through the Pacuare River Gorge (class 3-4), lunch on the river and arrival at the Siquirres take-out at approximately 2 PM.
- Hiking group will meet rafting group at the Siquirres take-out.
- Private transport from Siquirres to San Jose area hotel or airport (approximate arrival 6 - 8 PM) depending on traffic.
- San Jose hotel airport transportation arranged independently*

Important Departure Information: We encourage guests to book **next-day flights** (aka Day 5) departing San Jose to mitigate any missed flights. If booking a same-day flight, be sure to book departures **after** 10 PM. Hotel & airport travel are to be arranged independently.*

***Rios Lodge can support booking packages that include San Jose pre- and post-stay hotels and transportation. Let us know what you need!**

More Information

Client Packages

- Rios Lodge is delighted to offer custom packages tailored for destination wedding celebrations, intimate honeymoons, and destination bachelor/bachelorette parties. Special discounts are available for groups with 8 or more guests. You can choose from a combination of individual cabin rooms and eco-hostel rooms, ideal for mixed groups of families, friends, and more.
- For larger groups, the entire eco-hostel (accommodates up to 64 guests) is available for rent.
- For the ultimate exclusive experience, rent the entire ecolodge, accommodating over 100 guests.
- We can also create extended packages for your wedding party, covering multiple destinations in Costa Rica at a single package price for your guests.

What's Included:

- Transportation to/from San Jose, rafting or hiking into and out of Rios Lodge, all meals at the lodge beginning with lunch on day 1 and ending with lunch on the last day, plus all regular activities at Rios Lodge.
- Customized massage package, tree planting, conservation tours, and horseback riding tours, if desired and cost to be determined.
- Per your preferences, wedding guests can be invoiced individually for any specific hotel accommodations pre- and post-wedding in San Jose.
- We recommend using our Rios Lodge Reservations Team to negotiate the best group bookings at San Jose hotels and manage guest payments directly.

More Information

What's Not Included:

- Alcoholic beverages, airfare, hotel in San Jose pre/post lodge stay, gratuities, wedding photographer, or floral arrangements.
- We can help you source wedding photographers and florists and ensure everything and everyone gets to the lodge on time! Remember, wedding support staff can hike into the lodge, instead of rafting in/out. We are experts in transporting all kinds of supplies, from fragile to perishable, into the lodge by raft and by trail.

Additional Logistical Help:

Our Rios Lodge reservation and sales team is here to make your celebration event absolutely amazing!

- Yes, we can also create extended packages for your wedding party, covering multiple destinations in Costa Rica at a single package price for your guests.
- We can help facilitate pre- and post-trip lodging in San Jose and additional stays in Costa Rica prior to or after a trip to Rios Lodge.
- We have developed strategic partnerships with special lodges throughout the country (in the Caribbean, Pacific side, Arenal, etc), have deep relationships with hotels countrywide, and can provide reputable and trustworthy transportation through vetted partners.



Romance and adventure are waiting!

Request a Quote.

Justin Rae, Rios Lodge Partner, is ready to help you plan the ultimate destination wedding or honeymoon!

Email Justin@rioslodge.com or call [541-610-7992](tel:541-610-7992) (US-Based)

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See you soon!