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## Entry Requirements

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### Welcome to Costa Rica!

#### Country entry requirements

Entry to Costa Rica is allowed for tourists from all countries.

Each visitor must comply with the migratory processes established in the General Law of Migration and Immigration.

Starting April 1, the temporary migration measures established in the framework of the national health emergency due to COVID-19 are repealed.

During their stay in Costa Rica, tourists must follow the health protocols established by private companies in order to participate in any tourist activity.

**\*Important update (January 13, 2023)\***

**There are no special requirements related to Covid-19 with the exception of visitors from China, Hong Kong, Macao and Taiwan who have been in those territories during the last 14 days.**

**These visitors must provide a PCR-RT or antigen Covid-19 test with a negative result that was performed by a laboratory less than 72 hours before their entry into Costa Rica.**

**Furthermore, individuals from the above-mentioned places of origin over the age of 12 must have a document that makes it possible to verify that they are up-to-date on their Covid vaccination.**

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Welcome to Costa Rica! To visit our country there are some requirements which must be met.

**Remember that:**

A return flight ticket is needed when entering Costa Rica. The immigration officer will ask for it upon your arrival. It is advisable to make a photocopy or take a picture of your passport with the entry stamp to carry at all times during your stay.

- Your country of origin determines the amount of days available to stay in Costa Rica as a tourist.
- In some cases, the Immigration official may request you show economic solvency for your stay in the country.
- Even with a 90-day tourist visa, the immigration official determines the duration of your stay as allowed by your passport.

Visitors to Costa Rica must have a valid passport as well as proof of their intent to exit the country before their visa or entry stamp expires, usually within 90 days.

All non-resident travelers must possess a return ticket or a ticket as proof of when they intend to exit the country, commonly referred to as an outbound exit or onward ticket. An onward ticket is required of non-residents who are:

- Traveling on a one-way ticket
- Entering the country with a return ticket dated more than 90 days after arrival
- Flying into Costa Rica and flying out of another country

By law, an onward ticket includes any of the following on approved, commercial transport:

- A pre-purchased bus ticket out of the country
- A pre-purchased flight out of the country
- Proof of passage on a cruise ship

## Obligation to Declare when entering or leaving Costa Rica:

When entering or leaving a port in Costa Rica, if you carry an amount equal to or greater than the US \$ 10,000 or its equivalent in other currencies, cash or securities, you must request and complete the form provided for this purpose at the migration post and present it to the Customs Authority for verification; The declaration must be made before finalizing the corresponding immigration procedures. The omission of what is established by Costa Rican law (No. 8204, article 35) will result in the immediate loss of money.

What inoculations do I need before entering Costa Rica?

Starting on July 30, 2007, all travelers coming from the following countries must possess a yellow fever vaccination certificate before entry into Costa Rica will be allowed: Angola, Benin, Burkina Faso, Cameroon, Democratic Republic of the Congo, Gabon, Gambia, Guinea, Liberia, Nigeria, Sierra Leone, Sudan, Bolivia, Venezuela, Brazil, Peru, Colombia, Ecuador and the Republic of Guyana.

For more information click here (<https://www.migracion.go.cr/Paginas/Visas.aspx>)

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