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## COSTA RICA

### Mushroom Foray

*Led by Lawrence Millman & Julián Monge-Nájera*

June 5–11, 2016

*Discover the fungi, flora, and fauna: birds, reptiles and other wildlife on the rainforest trails of Selva Verde Lodge's 500-acre private reserve, located in the heart of the San Juan-La Selva Biological Corridor.*

*Join like-minded nature enthusiasts on this unforgettable 7-day foray and learn how to search for and identify mushrooms in neotropical ecosystems with experts Julián Monge-Nájera and Lawrence Millman.*

### PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Learn about the ecology and natural history of fungi with mycologist-author Lawrence Millman.
- Participate in a photography workshop in the field with Julián Monge-Nájera, a nature writer and biology professor who is also one of Costa Rica's most prominent ecologists.
- Experience the Costa Rican rainforest, home to an astonishing 5% of the world's biodiversity.



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Photo by Todd Gustafson, Gustafson Photo Safari

# ITINERARY

BLD = BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER

## JUNE 5 - SANTO DOMINGO

Upon arrival at the Juan Santamaría International Airport in San José, after clearing customs and collecting your luggage, you will be met and transferred to Hotel Bougainvillea. *Overnight at Hotel Bougainvillea.*

## JUNE 6 - CHILAMATE

This morning, transfer to Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. Upon arrival you will be given an overview of the property and the itinerary by Lawrence Millman. Spend the remainder of the afternoon exploring the grounds on your own. Should you wish to enjoy one of the activities offered via the lodge this afternoon, advance booking is suggested. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. (BLD)*

## JUNE 7 - CHILAMATE

This morning, participate in a photography workshop in the field with Julián Monge-Nájera. This afternoon, meet with Lawrence Millman and Julián Monge-Nájera to begin the Mushroom Foray. This evening, attend a lecture on the history and evolution of fungi by Julián Monge-Nájera. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. (BLD)*

## JUNE 8 - CHILAMATE

Spend this morning on the Mushroom Foray, with the afternoon at leisure. This evening, embark on a walk to search for fungi, reptiles, and insects, led by Selva Verde guides. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. (BLD)*

## JUNE 9 - CHILAMATE

Spend this morning on the Mushroom Foray and have the afternoon at leisure. Tonight, attend a lecture about the rainforest fungi of Panama. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge & Rainforest Reserve. (BLD)*

## JUNE 10 - SANTO DOMINGO

You will have the morning at leisure. After lunch, transfer back to Hotel Bougainvillea. *Overnight at Hotel Bougainvillea. (BL)*

## JUNE 11 - FAREWELL!

This morning transfer to the international airport in San José for your flight home. *(B)*

## ABOUT YOUR LEADERS

**Lawrence Millman** has documented fungi in places as diverse as Belize, Spitzbergen, Western Samoa, the Canadian Arctic, Honduras, Nantucket, and Costa Rica. He is the author of "Fascinating Fungi of New England," the only guidebook to New England fungi, as well as a book of mycological travel essays entitled "Giant Polypores & Stoned Reindeer: Rambles in Kingdom Fungi." He lives in Cambridge, Mass.

**Julián Monge-Nájera** is a nature writer and biology professor, and is also one of Costa Rica's most prominent ecologists. He has published almost 200 scientific articles on a variety of topics. For more than 30 years he edited the International Journal of Tropical Biology and Conservation.



## PROGRAM PRICING

**\$869** (minimum 10 participants)

**Includes:** All accommodations, meals, non-alcoholic beverages with meals, park fees and activities as listed in itinerary, private in-country transportation and a full-time naturalist guide for duration of program.

**Not included:** International airfare, gratuities, travel/trip cancellation insurance, optional activities, items of a personal nature or alcoholic beverages. Holbrook can assist with your flight arrangements if desired.

## THE FINE PRINT

Cost is based on double occupancy; for a single room throughout the trip add \$265.

A \$200 per person deposit and enrollment form is required to secure your space on the trip. This deposit is refundable until April 1, 2016 minus a \$100 cancellation fee. Final payments are due April 1, 2016; cancellations received after this date are not refundable.

Travel/trip cancellation insurance is strongly recommended. For more information call Travel Insured at 800-243-3174 or visit [travelinsured.com](http://travelinsured.com). Holbrook Travel's agency number is 15849.

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