



COSTA RICA

RAINFOREST PHOTOGRAPHY WITH JACKIE KRAMER

January 26 - February 1, 2020

Whether a master photographer or an enthusiastic amateur, the incredible biodiversity and natural beauty of Costa Rica is certain to inspire a portfolio full of treasures. Accompanied by avid floral photographer and photographic teacher Jackie Kramer, receive personal instruction while capturing the wonder of tropical plants, insects, amphibians, birds, and mammals. Costa Rica's lush environment is the perfect backdrop to practice macro photography with colorful poison dart frogs and discover how shutter speed impacts shots of fast-moving objects at the hummingbird feeders. Enjoy the vibrant flora and fauna of Costa Rica while bringing your photography to the next level!

PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

- Sharpen your photographic skills while enjoying several workshops with master photographer Jackie Kramer.
- Spend time in the beautifully manicured, tropical gardens of Hotel Bougainvillea, and at Else Kientzler Botanical Garden, for opportunities to shoot some amazing floral photography.
- Immerse yourself in the natural wonders of Selva Verde Lodge's private rainforest reserve with self-guided trails that offer many photographic opportunities of Costa Rica's fabulous fauna and flora.
- Enjoy a gourmet chocolate tasting tour and lunch at Sibú Chocolate.

ITINERARY

BLD = BREAKFAST, LUNCH, DINNER



JANUARY 26 - SANTO DOMINGO

Upon arrival at the San José International Airport, after clearing customs and collecting your luggage, you will be met and transferred to Hotel Bougainvillea. *Hotel check-in available at 3:00 pm*. This evening, gather together for program orientation and a Welcome Dinner at your hotel. *Overnight at Hotel Bougainvillea. (D)*

JANUARY 27 - SANTO DOMINGO

This morning transfer to Else Kientzler Botanical Garden. This private garden features collections of palms, gingers, and succulents. Return to the hotel to enjoy the beautiful gardens on the property and photograph the many flowering tropical species of flora. Afterward, gather together in the conference room for an afternoon workshop with Jackie Kramer. *Overnight at Hotel Bougainvillea. (BL)*

JANUARY 28 - CHILAMATE

After breakfast, travel to the Sarapiquí Valley, stopping en route at La Paz Waterfall and the hummingbird feeders of Cinchona. After lunch, continue to Selva Verde Lodge. Following arrival and check-in, you will have the remainder of the late afternoon to explore your new surroundings. This evening, join your naturalist guide in the open-air conference room for a discussion about the biodiversity of Costa Rica. *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge. (BLD)*

JANUARY 29 - CHILAMATE

You will have a full morning to photograph the wonderful flora that surrounds you on the self-guided trails, as well as the butterfly and botanical gardens on the property. Following lunch, meet with Jackie in the air-conditioned conference room for a workshop. You will have the remainder of the afternoon at leisure. Tonight, for those who wish, meet with your guide for a nocturnal walk to discover—and should you wish, photograph—the "creatures of the night." *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge. (BLD)*

JANUARY 30 - CHILAMATE

Early this morning, meet your guide for coffee and then take a walk on the trails for bird watching—feel free to bring your cameras! After breakfast, you will have the morning to enjoy more photography, followed by lunch. This afternoon, Jackie will host another incredible workshop in the air-conditioned conference room. This evening, dinner is on your own so that you can gather together and dine by candlelight at La Terrazza, Selva Verde's open-air restaurant that features wonderful Italian fare, including the best clay oven-baked pizza in Costa Rica! *Overnight at Selva Verde Lodge. (BL)*



JANUARY 31 - SANTO DOMINGO

This morning you will return to Hotel Bougainvillea. En route, enjoy a gourmet chocolate tasting tour and lunch at Sibú Chocolate. From there it is a quick ride to Hotel Bougainvillea, where you will be at leisure for more photography opportunities in their gardens. This evening, a wonderful Farewell Dinner is planned as you celebrate your last evening in Costa Rica! *Overnight at Hotel Bougainvillea. (BLD)*

FEBRUARY 1 - DEPARTURE

Today you will be transferred to the San José International Airport for your flight(s) home. *Hotel check-out by 11:00 am. (B)*

ABOUT YOUR LEADER



Jackie Kramer

Jackie has been photographing the natural world, with an emphasis on flowers, since the age of 16. She has won awards from The International Garden Photographer of the Year (IGPOTY); received Best in Show in 2017 and petitor of the Year in 2017 by

2018, and named Competitor of the Year in 2017 by the Jacksonville Professional Photographers Guild. She also received a Silver Medal in the Professional Photographers of America's 2018 International Photographic Competition. Jackie maintains an active Facebook group, "Phlorography - Artistic Floral Photography," with over 5,000 passionate floral photographers from around the world. She is committed to supporting other photographers, using photography as a medium to build relationships and enrich others' lives.

Website: https://www.luvblooms.com/



LAND PRICING

\$2,035 (10 participants minimum)

Cost includes meals, accommodations, and activities as indicated in the itinerary, in-country transportation, full-time guide for duration of program, all tips/ gratuities, carbon offset, and departure tax.

Does not include international airfare or items of a personal nature.

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TRAVEL PROTECTION

Holbrook Travel purchases Travel Protection on behalf of all participants traveling in 2018 or beyond. These plans help provide coverage once the trip has departed and offer benefits for Baggage/Personal Effects, Accident & Sickness Medical Expenses, Emergency Evacuation and more.

Optional additional coverage is available in the form of the Group Deluxe Plan, which offers benefits for Trip Cancellation/Interruption, in addition to many other insurance benefits and non-insurance assistance services. If interested in this optional plan, we can provide you with rates and plan details.

THE FINE PRINT

Cost is based on double occupancy; for a single room throughout the trip add \$295 per person. A \$200 per person deposit and enrollment form are required to reserve your space on the trip. This deposit is refundable excluding a \$100 cancellation fee until October 23, 2019 at which time non-refundable final payment is due.

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