



SAMPLE ITINERARY NICARAGUA – RIO INDIO LODGE

(Please note: Itinerary is subject to revision due to changes in flight schedules, weather and other operational factors. Be sure to have your valid passport. Please resist the tendency to over-pack.)

Day One USA-SAN JOSE

Plan to arrive at the airport no later than 3 hours prior to departure.

(Please advise flight schedule)

Upon arrival at Juan Santamaria International Airport, clear customs and immigrations. After claiming your luggage, you will be met and transferred to the Herradura Hotel. Meals and beverages on your own while in San Jose. Overnight.

Day Two SAN JOSE-RIO INDIO LODGE

Early morning hotel pick-up for your scenic Nature Air flight to Barra del Colorado. Once at the staging area, board your boat for a 1 1/2 hour cruise through lush vegetation to the luxurious Rio Indio Lodge. (Note: Nicaraguan Visa is approximately \$10.00 upon entering the country. The Nicaraguan Coast Guard will handle this with you during your boat transfer. Fishing license is approximately \$30.00). After a brief orientation, head out with your guide for a full day of fishing. Overnight at lodge.

Rio Indio Lodge is a jungle resort catering to discerning anglers and eco-adventurers. Sheltered from intense fishing pressure in a protected national park, the Rio Indio watershed is loaded with tarpon, snook, rainbow bass and other tropical species. The lodge blends in naturally with the surrounding rainforest. Its deluxe rooms, conference center and other guest facilities offer abundant creature comforts, and a staff that prides itself on service.

Day Three though Day Four RIO INDIO LODGE-FISHING

Full days begin with an early breakfast before setting out with your guide for the days fishing. Two anglers share fully outfitted 16-foot john-boats to access the quiet backwaters and lagoons of the Rio Indio river systems where tarpon, snook, rainbow bass and mojarra offer light tackle challenges in pristine jungle waters. The 20-foot center consoles are available to fish outside the river mouths for tarpon, tuna and jacks. The season is year-round. In the span of five days, you can fish a combination of ocean, river, and lagoon. The water in the rivers, lakes, and lagoons are generally "black water," generated by tannic acid. Tarpon are generally caught fishing outside the bar mouth. They can weigh up to 150 pounds. Most are caught jigging off the bottom or casting with a jig using saltwater spinning gear. Tarpon, bar jacks, and jack crevalle can also be caught trolling deep runners. Snook are also taken casting in the rivers, trolling and at times fly casting against the deadfall. Mojara is a super-size bream that may weigh as much as 2-1/2 pounds. The average is about 1 pound. The guapote (rainbow bass), a species native to Costa Rica, is among the toughest of all the freshwater fish. It can be caught with a conventional bass rig, using purple and black spinner baits casting tight against dead falls and bush. This fish range up to 12 lbs and can get even larger. Return to the lodge for dinner and overnight.

Day Five RIO INDIO LODGE-SAN JOSE-USA

After an early breakfast, you'll set out for a one and half-hour cruise to meet your Nature Air flight back to San Jose. Once there, you will connect with your international flight home.

(Please advise flight schedule)

**NOTE: A VALID U.S. PASSPORT WITH 6 MONTHS VALIDITY REQUIRED FOR ENTRY INTO COSTA RICA AND NICARAGUA. TOURIST CARD ISSUED BY AIRLINE DURING FLIGHT
RECONFIRM FLIGHTS 72 HOURS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE
CHECK IN AT LEAST 3 HOURS PRIOR TO INTERNATIONAL DEPARTURES; 2 HOURS FOR DOMESTIC FLIGHT**