



## **World Jersey Cattle Bureau Annual Meeting & Tour 2017**

Costa Rica has been declared the happiest country in Latin America, and all the Jersey breeders are really happy to welcome you for the WJCB annual meeting in June 2017.

Costa Rica is one of the three countries in Latin America self-sufficient in milk production. We have a long tradition breeding Jersey cows at different climate conditions all over the country. More purebred Jerseys are registered than all other breeds combined.

During the tour, you will see a lot of beautiful nature everywhere and nice people welcoming you. Also, included visits to some of the country's best herds and farms.

Costa Rica is a country of PEACE, since 1948 there is no army, and it is the most ancient and established democracy in Latin America.

Costa Rica WJCB 2017 and the World Jersey Cattle Bureau invite breeders from around the world to attend the 2017 Meeting. Join us and live an exciting developing story that should not be missed

### **Itinerary:**

Council Meeting's will be held on the 12<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup> June.

WJCB Officer's Meeting Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> June** – Delegates arrive at San José, Costa Rica. Most delegates will arrive by air, so we will have shuttle service at the airport to the hotel during the day. There will be a Welcome Reception Dinner this evening.

**Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to the mountains in Cartago. First Visit is Hacienda el Pedregal, owned by the Fernández Faith family, well known breeders of excellent Jersey's. Then the group will travel to Hacienda el Plantón, one of the oldest Jersey farms in the country. The Sancho Family will serve a lunch and then offer an exciting tour. Dinner at the hotel.

**Monday 12<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to the Dairy Processing Plant of Cooperativa Dos Pinos. Tour of the installation and a lunch will be served. The group will then travel to Zoo-Ave, that has a nature trail circuit that displays wild animal.

**Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June** – Departure is early because we are traveling from San José to Tortuguero. Admire the biodiversity of an astonishing protected area in Costa Rica as we drive by Braulio Carrillo National Park, a primary forest in 95% of its extension. Have a taste of our delicious Costa Rican breakfast on route. Board a comfortable boat upon arrival to the port and let this extraordinarily exotic paradise enchant you as you travel along the Tortuguero Canals. Have a one-in-a-lifetime experience in this unique place surrounded by a great variety of flora and fauna of breathtaking beauty. Enjoy a refreshing cocktail and a delicious Lunch as we welcome you to Pachira Lodge. You must bring sunblock, swimsuit, hat, sandals.

**Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at Pachira Lodge on a tour to the canals so you will enjoy nature. Afternoon departure to San José.

**Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to the Poás mountains. Visit Hacienda La Giralda oldest Jersey breeders in Costa Rica. The Fernández Vargas family will show us some of the best cows in the country. Lunch will be served at Corso Restaurant, then there will be a tour in Hacienda el Corso, where you will see new technology at work, as well as the processing of their own milk.

**Friday 16<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to La Paz Waterfall Gardens (Ecological Attraction) you will enjoy the most famous waterfalls, rescued wildlife preserve with over 100 species of animals, and a buffet for lunch. Then the group will depart to a farm visit.

**Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June** – Early breakfast at the hotel to travel Poás Volcano National Park, where you will see a volcano that is a powerful symbol of geothermal forces. The group will then return to attend the National Jersey and Holstein Show, where the best animals of the country are shown.

**Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before attending the judging at National Jersey and Holstein Show.

**Monday 19<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel. Visit Rio Tuy farm, where excellent herd management can be appreciated. Then the group will go on to visit Gerardo Sanabria's farm where lunch will be served.

**Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to a herd visit. The group will visit The Tropical Agricultural Research and Higher Education Center (CATIE) which is a regional center dedicated to research and graduate education in agriculture, management, conservation and sustainable use of natural resources. Then the group will enjoy a delicious lunch at Hacienda la Beatriz farm property of Mr. Bernardo García, a well-known dairy producer in Costa Rica.

**Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to a Coffee Tour where you will learn about Costa Rican gourmet coffee history and culture while learning how this delicious drink is produced. Then the group will travel to San José de la Montaña for a herd visit and lunch at John Brealey's farm.

**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to Zarcero area, where Jerseys are becoming more popular. Then the group go on to Arenal Manoa and Hot Springs resort, a beautiful

place to rest, relax and enjoy the marvelous view of the Arenal Volcano, surrounded by gardens, pastures and animals.

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to a herd visit at Riggoni's Family Farm, where Jerseys live in a hard landscape with high temperatures. In the afternoon, the group will enjoy some Hot Springs and dinner.

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June** – Breakfast at the hotel before departing to San Luis Adventure park located in the beautiful cloud forests of San Ramón. You will find exciting activities like walks in cable briches, butterfly and hummingbird gardens. Then the group will travel to the hotel to rest before attending an exciting farewell party.

**Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> June** – End of the tour.

Things to bring: waterproof jackets, hiking shoes, sunblock, swimsuit, sandals.

#### TOUR OPTIONS

OPTION 1	OPTION 2
1 Week. June 10-18	2 Weeks. June 10-25
Single: \$2100	Single: \$3060
Double: \$1560	Double: \$2800

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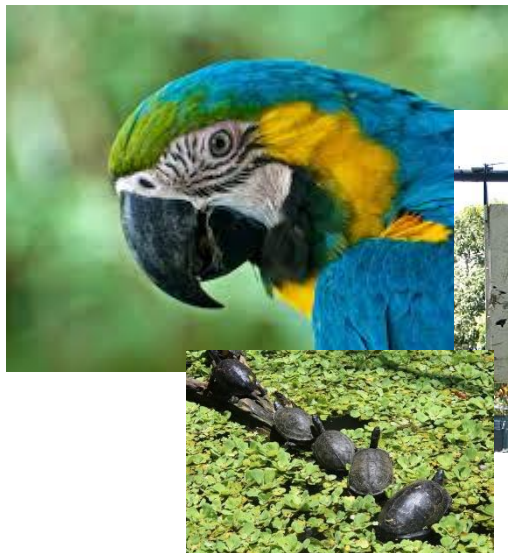
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## FOTOS

### 1. FOTOS DE PEDREGAL Y PLANTON

### 2. DOS PINOS Y ZOOAVE





### 3. TORTUGUERO



### 4. GIRALDA Y CORSO





## 5. WATERFALL GARDENS



## 6. POAS







