



# BLUE SEAS TOURS



## Facilitated by National Geographic Explorer Dr. Vanessa Bézy

Vanessa fell in love with the “pura vida” pace of life and culture that centers on a respect and connectedness with nature in 2004 and eventually made Costa Rica her permanent home. She has since dedicated herself to marine conservation, working primarily with sea turtles and in particular the mass-nesting phenomenon at the Ostional National Wildlife Refuge. In addition to her research, she is actively involved in educational and outreach activities. Learn more about Vanessa, her work, and read her blog at [vanessabezy.com](http://vanessabezy.com).

## BLUE SEAS TOURS: HALF DAY OF IMMERSIVE EXPERIENCES

Go on a boat expedition with National Geographic explorer and marine biologist Dr. Vanessa Bézy. Have the opportunity to observe sea turtles mating and swimming in the open ocean, as well as other marine life such as dolphins and rays, stop at a shipwreck to snorkel and learn about coral reef ecosystems.

### Activities include:

- Boat excursion
- Local expert
- Observe sea turtles and other marine life in the ocean
- Snorkeling the reef at a secluded beach

**Duration:** 4 hrs (7–11 am or 2–6 pm)

**Price:** starting from \$70 PAX for up to 10 people

### What to wear/bring:

Arrive 15 minutes early. Wear light, comfortable clothing, flip flops or barefoot. Bring reusable water bottle, sun protection, bathing suit, towel.

### What's included:

drinks, snacks, snorkels, fins, comfortable boat with bathroom and shade, laminated educational sheets and field guides

**TURTLE TOUR DISCLAIMER for all: Touching, handling, or swimming with sea turtles is strictly forbidden.**



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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION



### DISCLAIMER TURTLE TOURS

While we can never guarantee turtle behavior, our trip dates are carefully planned to maximize the likelihood that you will see the arribada phenomenon. Turtle tours will be scheduled at the last minute, based on sea turtle behavior and recommendations of the local guide association. In the event an arribada does not occur, we will go on a turtle tour to see turtles nesting solitarily. A local, certified guide will accompany us on the beach and ensure we have a maximum chance of seeing turtles and a minimal impact as we observe them. The facilitator will accompany you on the tour and offer an exclusive pre-tour orientation and interactive tour materials.

### GIVING BACK

A portion of the proceeds from the Dive Deeper Expeditions will go to the Wildlife Conservation Association, a non-profit organization dedicated to protecting wildlife from the negative impacts of tourism and development in the area. Our experiences are carefully planned to support sustainable development and tourism initiatives in the area. During your stay, you will learn first-hand and experience how your stay in Nosara supports local businesses that ensure a minimal impact on the environment and support the local community and economy. Learn more at [www.wcanosara.org](http://www.wcanosara.org)

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