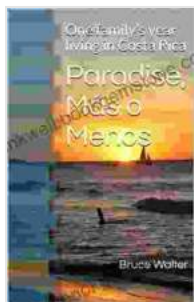


One Family's Year of Living in Costa Rica: The Ultimate Guide to Pura Vida



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Our family spent a year living in Costa Rica, and it was the best decision we ever made. We got to experience the country's incredible beauty, meet amazing people, and learn about a new culture. We also had a lot of fun, from surfing and swimming to hiking and zip-lining.

If you're thinking about moving to Costa Rica with your family, I highly recommend it. Here's our ultimate guide to making the most of your time in this beautiful country.

Before You Go

There are a few things you should do before you move to Costa Rica with your family. First, you'll need to get your visas in order. You can apply for a

tourist visa, which will allow you to stay in the country for up to 90 days. If you plan on staying longer, you'll need to apply for a residency visa.

You'll also need to find a place to live. There are a variety of options available, from houses and apartments to condos and villas. You can search for rentals online or through a real estate agent.

Once you have your visas and housing sorted out, you'll need to start packing. Be sure to pack light, as you'll be doing a lot of walking and hiking. You'll also want to pack clothes for all types of weather, as Costa Rica has a tropical climate.

What to Expect

When you arrive in Costa Rica, you'll be greeted by the country's warm and friendly people. You'll also be impressed by its stunning natural beauty. Costa Rica is home to some of the most beautiful beaches, rainforests, and mountains in the world.

The cost of living in Costa Rica is relatively low, especially compared to other developed countries. You can expect to spend about \$2,000-\$3,000 per month on housing, food, transportation, and other expenses.

The people of Costa Rica are very welcoming to foreigners. You'll find it easy to make friends and feel at home in this beautiful country.

Things to Do

There are endless things to do in Costa Rica. Here are a few of our favorites:

- **Visit the beaches.** Costa Rica has some of the most beautiful beaches in the world. You can swim, surf, sunbathe, or simply relax on the sand.
- **Hike in the rainforests.** Costa Rica is home to some of the most diverse rainforests in the world. You can hike through the rainforest, see amazing wildlife, and experience the beauty of nature.
- **Go zip-lining.** Costa Rica is a great place to go zip-lining. You can fly through the rainforest canopy and get a bird's-eye view of the country.
- **Visit the volcanoes.** Costa Rica is home to several active volcanoes. You can hike to the top of a volcano and see the crater up close.
- **Learn about the culture.** Costa Rica has a rich culture. You can visit museums, learn about the history of the country, and experience the local traditions.

Tips for Families

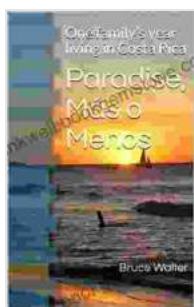
Here are a few tips for families who are moving to Costa Rica:

- **Find a good school for your children.** Costa Rica has a good education system. You can find public and private schools that offer a variety of educational programs.
- **Get involved in the community.** There are many ways to get involved in the community in Costa Rica. You can volunteer at a local school or organization, or join a club or group.
- **Make friends.** The people of Costa Rica are very friendly and welcoming. You'll find it easy to make friends and feel at home in this beautiful country.

- **Be patient.** Moving to a new country can be a challenge. There will be times when you feel frustrated or overwhelmed. Just be patient and remember that you're not alone. There are many people who have moved to Costa Rica with their families and have found success.

Moving to Costa Rica with your family can be a wonderful experience. It's a great way to immerse yourself in a new culture, experience the country's natural beauty, and make lasting memories. If you're thinking about making the move, I highly recommend it.

Pura vida!



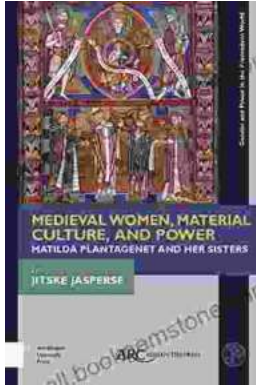
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