

Doka Estate Coffee Tour

Cost: \$30 Dollars

(to be paid upon arrival more information will be given in Costa Rica).

Includes:

- Transportation by bus from San José around 9.00 AM (more details will be given on exact meetings place)
- Entrance to the coffee plantation
- Welcome drink - Ice Coffee
- Traditional lunch
- Guided tour of the plantation and how the coffee is toasted
- Watching the beautiful butterflies
- Transportation back to San José after lunch



THE DOKA ESTATE COFFEE TOUR is located in the coffee capital of Costa Rica, Sabanilla, Alajuela. The farm belongs to the Costa Rican Vargas Ruiz family, pioneers of coffee production for more than 70 years.

The main objective of the Coffee Tour is to educate and inform the local and international population with regard to the whole production process as well as the processing of coffee.

•The tour begins in the seedbed. There you will observe and be explained the development process of the plant up to the point of recollection of the ripe grain. You will also learn about the history of the estate, its owners, the production and varieties of plants, the geography of the area and the traditional ways of cultivating the grain.



•The second station is the oldest humid coffee processing plant, declared to be an Architectural Heritage for Humanity in 2003, that works by hydraulic power. In the receiver you can see the first classification of the grains, afterwards the process of de-pulping of first and second quality coffee takes place in the grinders.

•Next, the natural honey of the grain is cut in the fermentation tanks and a process is carried out that is significant to the taste of the coffee. The coffee that has been dried in the Guardiola or on the patios under the sun, is stored in the warehouse. This grain is ready to be peeled, and then exported or roasted in the country.

•Finally, the roasting plant Café Tres Generaciones is visited, where you will be explained and can observe the different types of roasts that are offered. There will be possibilities to purchase coffee during the end of the tour.

If you would like to attend please get back to me as soon as possible!

See you soon,

Karin Friedrich