

Costa Rica and its Environmental Values

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Costa Rica Helping The Environment

Did you know that Costa Rica contains at least 6% of the world's biodiversity, crazy right? Costa Rica is actually known to be one of the most eco friendly destinations worldwide. Costa Rica puts funds toward nature reserve managements and other environmental services such as the clean air and fresh water. Costa Rica encourages conserving, such as using solar power and hydro power.

Ways Costa Rica helps the ecosystem

Costa Rica does many things to keep the environment clean, safe and healthy. For example Costa Rica practices keeping water, waste and garbage conservation. Costa Rica pays people with land to preserve old-growth forests and grow new trees. I have even noticed every single restaurant, gas station, small store, beach and normal business store has no smoking signs and organized recycle bins and trash cans.

Positive ways our local area (Dominical) is helping the environment

While I have been in Costa Rica I have noticed a tremendous amount of ways Costa Rica keeps the environment clean and keeps everything eco-friendly. For example I have noticed instead of using plastic bottles they use and encourage to use glass bottles for drinks instead, and the plastic bottles that are used are recycled, the local supermarkets use reusable bags instead of plastic bags, and restaurants give out avocado straws (which are biodegradable) instead of plastic straws. Also I saw that they reused the plastic bottles to make a sculpture and the glass bottles to make a wall.

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What My Family Does To Be Green In Costa Rica

While my family and I are in Costa Rica we try our best to be eco-friendly, to do this we grow our own food and make our own compost, we put our scraps into a bowl and throw it in the jungle, we burn our trash, we use recycled bags and reusable bags, and we replant the heads of pineapples after we eat them.

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Negative and Positive ways the environment is being affected in Costa Rica

Although Costa Rica has a very healthy environment there are however some issues involving their ecosystem such as soil erosion, pollution, and deforestation. From my own experience I have noticed there is trash that I have seen floating at the Marina where I ate lunch and there is trash alongside the highway.

Something positive I learned from this while I was in Costa Rica was that the trash in the ocean is used by different species of fish as shade or a place for them to lay eggs and is also used as a breeding ground for species of fish such as Durado.

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Sources I used for my Slide Show

Website Sources that I used:

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- www.earthclaw.com
- www.misticopark.com
- www.independent.com.uknews
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Local Places that I used for sources:

- La Fogata Pizza Restaurant
- Cascada Verde Waterfall Restaurant
- Bienvenidos Nature Reserve
- Local small stores
- Local Gas Stations and Supermarkets