

COSTA RICA

Inshore and Offshore Fishing



Target Species: Sailfish, Marlin, Tuna, Mahi Mahi, Wahoo, Grouper, Snapper, Amberjack, Snook , Jack and many more.

FISHING LOS SUEÑOS REGION

In just under 20 years, Los Sueños Marina has turned from an impossible dream into one of the world's best-known charter sportfishing marinas. Fishing Los Sueños, with its Pacific saltwater charter fleet of international-class tournament captains, is today the number one Costa Rica fishing destination.

The Los Sueños complex on Herradura Bay is situated on the Central Pacific coast, just a 75-minute drive from San José. It includes the full-service charter and private marina, known to everyone who wants to fish Costa Rica. There is the four-star Los Sueños Marriott Hotel.

Before Los Sueños made its name globally as a Costa Rican sport fishing destination and residential paradise, Herradura was a sleepy little local fishing village. Jacó, 10 minutes south of Los Sueños, was a surfers' and backpackers' beach town.

Now Herradura is booming with an 18-hole championship La Iguana golf course. Another feature is the series of upscale condos and luxury, million-dollar private residences and ocean view vacation villas.. Jacó has become one of Costa Rica's most popular tourist destinations. It teems with hotels, bars, restaurants, boutiques and a sizzling night life.

Los Sueños: World's Number One Billfishery



Los Sueños and the entire Central Pacific coast is often called the world's number one Billfishery. The Billfish, Sailfish, and Blue, Black and Striped Marlin – bite between January and April. The world's top international Billfish tournament, the Los Sueños Signature Triple Crown, is held in three, three-day stages every January-April.

The Costa Rican sport fishing charter boats at Los Sueños Marina and nearby Herradura Bay range in size from 26 to 58ft.

One of the most popular destinations for fishing Los Sueños charters is the Ventiseis. This is a sea hump 26km (18 miles) off the coast that comes to 80 meters (270ft) of the ocean surface. The Ventiseis is a magnet for all species, offshore and inshore.

Billfish Peak Between January and April

The Los Sueños peak offshore billfish season between January and April is incredible. However, anglers who fish Costa Rica will catch Sailfish, Blue Marlin, Black Marlin and Striped Marlin all year long.

Boats fishing Los Sueños can catch Yellowfin offshore 365 days a year; the best time is between June/July and September. Dorado (Mahi-Mahi) are most plentiful between July and September also, when the rain-swollen rivers spew reeds, grass and logs into the area river mouths.

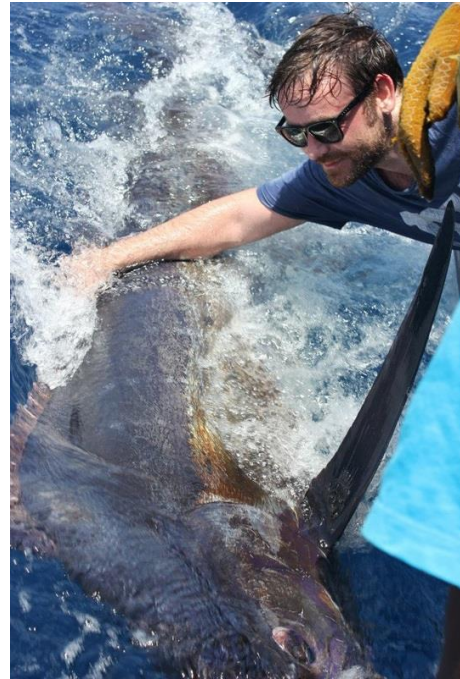


Be sure to throw the big Snapper and Grouper females back, even if they are a tasty fish! This will help replenish the Los Sueños fishing stock for years to come.

Sailfish

Sailfish are one of the fastest fish in the ocean and are a really stunning fish to catch. The waters off Quepos are some of the richest Sailfish grounds in the world so if you have always dreamed of catching a Sailfish, look no further.

The primary fishing method for Sailfish in Costa Rica is trolling with Ballyhoo's whilst running teasers from the outriggers to help attract the fish. This method is very exciting and visual as you get to see the fish lit up behind the boat chasing the teasers before they take the bait. It is not uncommon to have 3 or 4 fish in the spread at the same time so things can get pretty hectic! Sailfish catches of 10 to 20 in a day are not uncommon in peak season.



Marlin

Blue, Black & Striped Marlin can all be caught off Quepos. The average Blue & Black Marlin are in the 200-300lb range, however, every season there are some really big fish caught. 'Good Day' released a 600lb Black Marlin during February 2016 which put up a 3 hour battle, the Angler was so exhausted after the first hour that our first mate Michael had to fight the fish for the final two hours!

We normally fish one or two Marlin lures in amongst our Sailfish baits so that we are always ready should a Marlin appear in our spread. When the Marlin bite is really hot we will often fish 1 or 2 live Bonito (tuna) for Marlin which is another excellent technique, especially for the larger fish.

One of the largest fish ever caught on rod & line in Costa Rica was a 1,245lb Black Marlin caught aboard 'Good Day' in August 2008 on a charter trip to 'La Furuno Bank', one of the most famous fishing spots in Costa Rica.



Mahi Mahi (Dorado)

Mahi are caught all year round, however, are most prolific during the rainy season which peaks in September & October. With the rivers in flood there are lots of trees, leaves etc being washed out of the river mouths which ultimately create weed lines offshore which the Mahi love to congregate under. This style of fishing can be great fun, especially on the fly or using light tackle. It can be common to catch 5-10 fish under a single piece of floating wood and be sure to have your polarized lenses as you can see everything happening right before eyes!

Tuna

Yellowfin tuna up to 300lb are commonly caught off Quepos. They are typically found together with huge schools of spinner dolphins, so once we find the dolphins we know that the tuna are not far away.

Some days they can prove difficult to catch but once they are biting it is not uncommon to catch 5 to 10 Tuna in the 20-100lb range with the chance of a very big arm wrenching fish always a possibility.

Roosterfish

The Roosterfish is the most sought after fish for anglers travelling to Costa Rica and our Pacific coastline is one of the best places in the world to catch a Roosterfish.

Roosterfish love rocky outcrops, islands and surf lines. They can often be found chasing the sardine shoals where the pelicans can be seen diving. Live baiting is the most popular method and our typical baits are Lookdowns, Blue Runners or Sardines which we fish either close to rocky outcrops or near the bait shoals.



To target a really big fish it is also possible to fish a live 2-4lb Bonito (Tuna) close to rocky outcrops. If something takes this bait, hold on for the ride as you know it is going to be big! Roosterfish of 20-50lb are common with 80-100lb fish showing every year too! Lure and Fly fishing for Roosterfish is a fantastic way to catch them too so be sure to let us know if this is on your bucket list!

Snook

The IGFA world record Snook of 59lbs was caught just outside the Naranjo Rivermouth, a short cruise from the Marina Pez Vela in Quepos. Within easy access of the Marina we have several other world class Snook hotspots such as Parrita and Dominical. Snook fishing can be done from the Beach/Rivermouth or from the Boat fished close to the beach. We typically fish live baits, but lure and fly is an excellent way to catch Snook for the adventurous angler



'Predator'

26 ' Shamrock Express

Anglers: 4

Engine: Power 270 HP Cummins Diesel

Captain: Javier Enriquez

' Predator ' is our 26 foot Costa Rica Sport Fishing boat that is berthed in the Los Suenos Marina with a 270hp Cummins engine it cruises at a steady 20 knots to bring you to the fishing grounds quickly.



- Fully Licensed Captain 'Javier' - Captain 12 years
- English & Spanish speaking crew
- Quality Tackle from Shimano & Penn: Trolling, Live Baiting, Bottom Fishing, Jigging, Popping & Fly Fishing
- Live-Bait Well
- Fighting Chair & Outriggers
- Full Safety Equipment including Life Jackets for Adults & Children
- Fish Finder, GPS & Depth Sounder
- VHF Marine Radio
- Toilet
- Ice Box filled with Beers, Soft Drinks & Water
- Lunch, Fresh Fruit & Snacks provided on all full day charters
- We will be pleased to fillet your catch which can be cooked at the Marina after your trip!

The boat can accommodate up to 4 passengers in addition to our crew. Should you have a larger group we work with the best boats in the Marina and can arrange additional boats for you as required

Fishing Seasons

Low Season 1 May – 19 Nov

Shoulder Season 20 Nov – 22 Dec

High Season 6 Jan – 30 Apr

Prices

All based on 3 anglers sharing boat and Condo .

7 nights Pacific adventure:

- Direct British airways International Flights London to Costa Rica
- Airport transfers
- 7 nights in stunning Condo accommodation in Hotel Casita .
- 5 days fishing for Sailfish, Marlin, Roosterfish, Tuna, Dorado, Wahoo, Snapper
- Return Airport transfers

High Season £ **3,250** per angler

Low Season £ **2,490** per angler

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