FIVE FOR FIFTY · TRIP ONE

TAMARINDO ITINERARY

NOVEMBER 9 – 15, 2025

El Chante · Playa Tamarindo, Costa Rica



DON'T FORGET YOUR PASSPORT.

THE HOUSE

EL CHANTE

A Balinese-style hilltop villa of eight detached bungalows around an open-air living room and infinity pool, about 300 meters above the north end of Tamarindo beach. Give this address block to your driver, your family, and anyone who asks.

ADDRESS
Villa El Chante
Gated hillside community, across from Pangas Beach Club
Playa Tamarindo, Santa Cruz
Guanacaste 50309, Costa Rica
GPS 10.304726, -85.835216

Costa Rica doesn't use street numbers; the GPS pin and "across from Pangas" is how locals and drivers find it. Pangas Beach Club is also our nearest beach access.

CHECK-IN
Wed Nov 11 · 3:00 PM
Guests arriving before checkout on check-in day wait until check-in.

CHECK-OUT
Sun Nov 15 · 10:00 AM

AIRPORT
Liberia (LIR)
About 1 hr 15 min by road

SLEEPS
16 – 19
8 bedrooms · 8.5 baths

INCLUDES
Breakfast & housekeeping
Mon – Sat, with a concierge

GETTING AROUND
Golf carts
Rented for the group; the hill is steep, so don't plan on walking it.

DAY BY DAY

THE PLAN

Headcounts show the group present for each activity or meal; overnight totals count only house guests. Matt and Rachel join Wednesday activities and dinner, stay elsewhere, and leave Thursday. Times in Costa Rica Central Standard, no daylight saving; one hour ahead of Denver this week).

MON · EARLY BIRDS · NOV 9

Katie & Dex arrive · own transport

5:22 PM	**Katie & Dex arrive at LIR** **10:00 AM Denver · · 4:10 PM LIR · United UA 1917** — Katie Lake, Dex Sexton	2 LANDING
AFTER LANDING	**Katie picks up her rental car** *Own transport for Katie & Dex; stay in town until Wednesday check-in*	

TUE · THE ADVANCE PARTY · NOV 10

3 arriving · Katie & Dex already in Costa Rica

9:17 PM	**Early arrivals** **4:56 PM · United UA 1917** — Sam Reed, Kaylie Reed **6:35 PM · Alaska AS 616** — Ro the Pro	3 LANDING
EVENING	**TBD** *House check-in is Wednesday; early arrivals stay in town*	

WED · NOV 11

17 at the house tonight · 19 for dinner

MIDDAY	**Who's coming in** **11:44 AM · United UA 1676** — Michael Downes **12:45 PM · Delta DL 1888** — Anna Hudson, Jason Chaffetz, John McGraw **1:10 PM · United UA 1512** — Kevin Taggart **1:50 PM · Southwest** — Jill O'Keefe, Ryan O'Keefe **4:10 PM · United UA 1917** — James Smith, Julie Smith, Julie Echter, Brandon, Darren Lake	12 LANDING
BEFORE 1	**TBD for early arrivals** *Lunch in town while the house gets ready*	
3:00 PM	**Check-in at El Chante**	
5:00 PM	**Sunset drinks & snacks at the house**	16 HERE
7:30 PM	**DINNER AT TABU TAMARINDO**	19 HERE
LATE	**Explore the nightlife**	19 HERE

THU · NOV 12

17 at the house tonight · Matt & Rachel leave

MORNING	**Breakfast at the house**	17 HERE
TBD	**Matt & Rachel leave** *Own transport, not staying at the house*	
1–3 PM	**Surf lessons** *One hour*	9 SURFING
3:00 PM	**Late lunch on the beach**	17 HERE
AFTERNOON	**Leisure time**	17 HERE
5:00 PM	**Sunset drinks at the house**	17 HERE
6:00 PM	**PRIVATE CHEF DINNER AT THE HOUSE** *A Taste of Costa Rica*	17 HERE
LATE	**Post-dinner TBD** *See how we're all feeling*	

FRI · NOV 13

14 at the house tonight

MORNING	**Breakfast at the house**	17 HERE
10:00 AM	**Katie & Darren leave for LIR** *Rental car 3:00 PM United UA 1911*	
1–3 PM	**Surf lessons** *One hour*	9 SURFING
3:00 PM	**Late lunch on the beach**	14 HERE
AFTERNOON	**Leisure time**	14 HERE
5:00 PM	**Sunset drinks before dinner**	
8:00 PM	**DINNER IN TOWN AT CHIQUITAS**	14 HERE
LATE	**Discoteca**	14 HERE

SAT · NOV 14

11 at the house tonight

MORNING	**Breakfast at the house**	14 HERE
10:00 AM	**James & Julie Smith leave for LIR** *Jason follows at 12:25*	
AFTERNOON	**Beach time**	11 HERE
4:00 PM	**Beach bar pub crawl**	11 HERE
5:00 PM	**Sunset drinks before dinner**	
7:30 PM	**DINNER AT PANGAS BEACH CLUB**	11 HERE
LATE	**TBD**	

SUN · NOV 15

10 for the last breakfast · checkout 10 AM

8:40 AM	**Ro leaves for LIR**	
MORNING	**Breakfast at the house** *Last one; checkout is 11 AM*	10 HERE
10:00 AM	**Main group leaves for LIR; house checkout** *Not in the later van; Jill & Ryan are own transport, but 1 onward plans to confirm*	

AIRPORT SHUTTLES

ARRIVALS & DEPARTURES

All flights are into and out of Liberia (LIR). Monday's two arrivals need no van: Katie takes the rental car and Dex makes his own way. Tuesday's vans go to the first-night lodging in town; everything from Wednesday on goes to El Chante. Vans are grouped by who lands or leaves close together. Arrival pickups allow about 45 minutes after the last flight in the group for immigration and bags; departure vans leave the house three hours before the first flight in the group.

ARRIVALS

LIR → EL CHANTE

MON NOV 9 · 2 ARRIVING · NO VAN NEEDED

OWN TRANSPORT · NO VAN
4:10 PM after the 4:10 PM landing

Katie Lake	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Rental car · no shuttle	
Dex Sexton	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Own transport · no shuttle	

1 landing · rental car for Katie; Dex makes his own way

TUE NOV 10 · 3 ARRIVING · TO TOWN, NOT THE HOUSE

VAN 1 · PICKUP
4:55 PM after the 4:10 PM landing

Sam Reed	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Kaylie Reed	4:10 PM · United UA 1917

2 passengers · to Tamarindo around 6:10 PM

VAN 2 · PICKUP
7:20 PM after the 6:35 PM landing

Ro the Pro	6:35 PM · Alaska AS 616

1 passenger · to Tamarindo around 8:10 PM

WED NOV 11 · 12 ARRIVING

VAN 1 · PICKUP
1:30 PM after the 12:45 PM landing

Michael Downes	11:44 AM · United UA 1676
Anna Hudson	12:45 PM · Delta DL 1888
Jason Chaffetz	12:45 PM · Delta DL 1888
John McGraw	12:45 PM · Delta DL 1888

4 passengers · at the house around 2:45 PM

VAN 2 · PICKUP
2:35 PM after the 1:50 PM landing

Kevin Taggart	1:10 PM · United UA 1512
Jill O'Keefe	1:50 PM · Southwest
Ryan O'Keefe	1:50 PM · Southwest
Front bag · 2 bowls	

3 passengers · at the house around 3:50 PM

VAN 3 · PICKUP
4:55 PM after the 4:10 PM landing

James Smith	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Julie Smith	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Julie Echter	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Brandon	4:10 PM · United UA 1917
Darren Lake	4:10 PM · United UA 1917

5 passengers · at the house around 6:10 PM

DEPARTURES

EL CHANTE → LIR

SAT NOV 14 · 2 LEAVING

VAN 1 · LEAVE HOUSE
10:00 AM for the 1:00 PM flight

James Smith	1:00 PM · United UA 1916
Julie Smith	1:00 PM · United UA 1916

2 passengers

VAN 2 · LEAVE HOUSE
12:25 PM for the 3:25 PM flight

Jason Chaffetz	3:25 PM · Delta DL 1784

1 passenger

SUN NOV 15 · 7 LEAVING

VAN 1 · LEAVE HOUSE
6:40 AM for the 9:40 AM flight

Ro the Pro	9:40 AM · Alaska AS 617

1 passenger

VAN 2 · LEAVE HOUSE
10:00 AM for the 1:00 PM flight

Sam Reed	1:00 PM · United UA 1916
Kaylie Reed	1:00 PM · United UA 1916
Julie Echter	1:00 PM · United UA 1916
Anna Hudson	2:00 PM · Delta DL 1820
John McGraw	2:00 PM · Delta DL 1820
Kevin Taggart	2:30 PM · United UA 1518

4 passengers

OWN TRANSPORT

Jill and Ryan O'Keefe · Fly home Tue Nov 17 at 2:45 PM (Southwest), after the house checks out. Ryan has 1 board bag with 2 boards. Own transport.

Dex Sexton · Departs Denver Mon Nov 9 at 10:00 AM on United UA 1917, landing at LIR at 4:10 PM with Katie. Onward travel after Sunday checkout to confirm. Own transport.

Matt Stewart and Rachel Lamanna · In Costa Rica from Nov 7, join Wednesday Nov 11 dinner and all other Wednesday activities; stay elsewhere and leave Thursday Nov 12. Own transport.

Darren Lake · Lands Wed Nov 11 at 4:10 PM on United UA 1917 and rides Wednesday's Van 3 to the house. Leaves Fri Nov 13 with Katie in her rental car for the 1:00 PM United UA 1916; no departure van. Own transport.

Katie Lake · Departs Denver Mon Nov 9 at 10:00 AM on United UA 1917 and lands at LIR at 4:10 PM. Rental car; no shuttles needed either way. Flies home Fri Nov 13 at 1:00 PM (United UA 1916). Own transport.

THE WEATHER

WHAT TO EXPECT IN MID-NOVEMBER

The tail end of green season. Expect highs around 88–90°F, nights in the mid-70s, humid, with most rain arriving as a late-afternoon or overnight shower rather than all-day wash-outs. The sun sets around 5:30 PM and it's fully dark by 6. The ocean is bath-warm and the swell is friendly for lessons. Pack light and quick-dry, bring reef-safe sunscreen and bug spray, and one outfit for dinner.

RESERVATIONS

HEADCOUNTS FOR THE RESTAURANTS

WEDNESDAY, NOV 11 · 7:30 PM
TABU TAMARINDO
19 confirmed guests

THURSDAY, NOV 12 · 6:00 PM
PRIVATE CHEF · EL CHANTE
17 confirmed guests

FRIDAY, NOV 13 · 8:00 PM
CHIQUITAS
14 confirmed guests

SATURDAY, NOV 14 · 7:30 PM
PANGAS BEACH CLUB
11 confirmed guests