

Insurance cover comparison chart:

	Adobe Rent a Car	Poás Rent a Car
Basic insurance	Obligatory	Obligatory
Coverage basic insurance	Basic insurance covers the following: a) Damage to the rented car b) Total or partially theft of the rented car c) third party insurance, covering 80% of the damage caused to third parties d) Death or injury of persons Limits of coverage a & b) Value of the rented car c & d) total of 2 million US\$ maximum	The basic insurance covers the following: a) Damage to the rented car b) Total or partially theft of the rented car c) third party insurance, covering 100% of the damage caused to third parties d) Death or injury of persons Limits of coverage: a & b) Value of the rented car c) 20 million colones (approx. US\$ 40'000.--) d) 40 million colones (approx. US\$ 80'000.--) per person and maximum 100 million colones (approx. US\$ 100'000.--)
Deposit: (with basic insurance, charged to CC at pick up)	US\$ 750.— for all car types	US\$ 950.— for most car types, US\$ 1'500.— for Suzuki US\$ 2'500.-- for Toyota Prado
Additional insurance covers deductible for damage, theft of the car or any damage caused to third parties if you are responsible for an accident	Optional and voluntary, US\$ 10.-- per day/car for all car types	Optional and voluntary, US\$ 10.— per day/car for all car types
Coverage of the additional insurance	Covers the deposit of US\$ 750.-- and the remaining risk of 20% third party liability	Covers the deposit of US\$ 950., US\$1500, or US\$ 2'500.-- (depending on car type)
Remaining deposit, in case that clients buy both, the basic and the additional insurance	US\$ 100.—for all car types	US\$ 100.-- for all car types
Additional driver	US\$ 2.-- per day	Free of charge
Passenger Insurance	included	included
Cellular phone on board with free local calls	Available and free of charge for our clients. A deposit of US\$ 100.-- must be paid to cover any damage or loss. Neither basic nor the additional insurance covers this risk.	Available and free of charge for our clients. A deposit of US\$ 100.-- must be paid to cover any damage or loss. Neither basic nor the additional insurance covers this risk.
GPS (Global Positioning System)	Available for US\$ 7.-- per day. The GPS must be reserved in advance. A deposit of US\$300 must be paid to cover any damage or loss. Neither basic nor additional insurance covers this risk.	Available for US\$ 7.-- per day. The GPS must be reserved in advance. A deposit of US\$ 300 must be paid to cover any damage or loss. Neither basic nor additional insurance is covering this risk.
Additional advantages	Road Assistance Program: uncomplicated help at gas stations to repair smaller things like tires etc.	
Free delivery/return outside of San José	Tamarindo, Playa del Coco, Liberia, Papagayo, Guápiles (Gas Station Rio Blanco) and Siquirres (Restaurant Caribbean Dish) before or after a Tortuguero package, La Fortuna/Arenal Volcano Jacó, Manuel Antonio/Quepos , Ciudad Quesada	Tamarindo, Playa del Coco, Liberia, Papagayo, Guápiles/Siquirres (before or after a Tortuguero package), La Fortuna/Arenal Volcano, Sarapiquí, Caribbean Coast , Cañas, Tilarán

Important: Our partnership with these rental companies enables us to offer you these unique insurance policies, which are not offered with other car rental companies. If both basic and complimentary insurance policies are purchased all remaining risk deductible is waived. Other companies will not release you of the remaining liability of 20% for any damage caused to third parties, if you caused the accident. However, even this insurance policy or its rental car partners do not cover any damage due to careless behavior.

All deposits have to be made by credit card (Visa, Master Card, American Express, Diners) upon take-over of the car. The respective amount will remain blocked during the rental period. Deposits in cash are not accepted.

4-Wheel-Drive Or Normal Car?

It's a well known fact that Costa Rica's roads are often in very bad condition. Even where the roads are repaired frequently, it just needs a heavy rainfall and they are in bad condition again. It is almost impossible for us to always know the conditions in different parts of the country, as this can change within a matter of hours. That is why we generally recommend a 4-wheel-drive vehicle at any time of the year. If you only use the car in the central valley or on the main roads (Panamerican Highway north-south or San José - Limón) a normal car will suffice. You definitely need a 4-wheel-drive car to access the following places:

- Rincón de la Vieja
- Monteverde
- Quepos - Dominical
- La Fortuna - Lake Arenal - Tilarán
- Access to Selva Bananito Lodge

Cars with automatic transmission

Our car rental partners offer some cars with automatic transmission: Adobe Rent a Car offers automatic transmission on the Mitusubishi Nativa and Mitsubishi Lancer. Poás Rent a car has a manual and automatic version of the Suzuki XL7.

One-way rentals

One-way rentals are available with all car rental companies, and in many cases even without extra charge. It is important to be on time pick up and drop off of the car, especially if this happens to be outside of San José. The person delivering the car to a remote destination often has a flight to catch in order to get back to San José.

Take over and drop off of the car

IMPORTANT: You will need a credit card (Visa, Master Card, American Express or Diners) to take over the car. We procure that cars will be delivered and taken back on time. However, during rush hour in San José delays may be possible. We thank you for your understanding.

Safety

Costa Rica is quite a safe country to explore by rental car, if international safety recommendations are respected. Always park your car in a guarded parking lot, do not leave valuables visibly in the car and lock windows and doors. Some isolated incidences have occurred in the past, where in bigger cities like San José at a crossing a tire of the car was damaged, which later led to a flat tire. Help offered by passer-bys turned out to be a trap, and valuables were stolen from inside the car. Please be careful! Keep your valuables with you and close all doors that don't need to be open. Do not pick up hitchhikers and, if asked for help outside of villages, please do not stop but inform the next gas station.

General Conditions for Adobe Rent a Car	General Conditions for Poas Rent a Car
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rates are valid from/to San José including airport. There might be an extra charge for pick up or drop off outside of San José. Please ask. • Prices are in US\$ per car. • Minimum rental 3 days. • Unlimited mileage included • Additional driver US\$ 2.per day. • Basic insurance is obligatory • The additional insurance is voluntary. • All insurance must be paid for entire rental period (1 Week = 7 days). • Minimum age of driver is 21 years. • A deposit of US\$ 750.-- (independent of car type) must be paid by credit card (Visa, Master, American Express or Diners) when taking over the car. Cash or traveler checks will not be accepted as deposit. With the additional insurance the deposit will be reduced to only US\$ 100 in case of damage to the car due to careless behavior. • The driver's license of the client's country of origin is valid in conjunction with the entrance-stamp to Costa Rica in the passport for max. 3 months (after arrival in the country). • Adobe only guarantees car categories, not particular model. If a particular model is unavailable we reserve the right to deliver a similar car type in the same category. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The rates are valid from/to San José including airport. There might be an extra charge for pick up or drop off outside of San José. Please ask. • Prices are in US\$ per car. • Minimum rental 3 days. • Unlimited mileage included • 1 additional driver free. • Basic insurance is obligatory • The additional insurance is voluntary. • All insurance must be paid for entire rental period (1 Week = 7 days). • Minimum age of driver 21 years. • A deposit of US\$ 950.-- (Suzuki Aerio, Suzuki Ignis, Suzuki Jimny, Daihatsu Terios, Daihatsu BeGo and Suzuki Gran Vitara), US\$ 1500.-- (Suzuki XL7) and US\$ 2'500.-- (Toyota Prado) must be paid by credit card (Visa, Master, American Express or Diners) when taking over the car. Cash or traveler checks will not be accepted as deposit. With the additional insurance the deposit will be reduced to only US\$ 100 in case of damage to the car due to careless behavior. • The driver's license of the client's country of origin is valid in conjunction with the entrance-stamp to Costa Rica in the passport for max. 3 months (after arrival in the country). • We reserve the right to deliver similar car types than described above.
<p>Reckless behavior Neither insurance policy covers any losses caused due to damage to the car or third parties due to reckless behavior which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs - If the driver is not registered as the driver in the rental contract - Damages caused due to crossing rivers, lakes or lagoons - Damages caused by driving into the sea (Watch out for the tides!!!) - Driving on roads not suitable for the car (for example off road with a normal car) - Excessive speed on bad roads - Not respecting the Costa Rican traffic regulations - An official police report and insurance company sheet must be presented after an accident 	<p>Reckless behavior Neither insurance policy covers any losses caused due to damage to the car or third parties due to reckless behavior which includes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Driving under the influence of alcohol or drugs - If the driver is not registered as the driver in the rental contract - Damages caused due to crossing rivers, lakes or lagoons - Damages caused by driving into the sea (Watch out for the tides!!!) - Driving on roads not suitable for the car (for example off road with a normal car) - Excessive speed on bad roads - Not respecting the Costa Rican traffic regulations - An official police report and insurance company sheet must be presented after an accident

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