

Show Off Your Talent, Win a Free Stay!

Many guests have generously shared amazing photographs depicting their stay. From broad landscapes taken from a Suite's viewing deck to close-up shots of flower petals, beautiful images provide glimpses of the El Silencio experience. These have inspired us to launch a photo contest! Add your best El Silencio images to our Facebook Wall where others can easily "like" their favorites. The entry with the highest number of "likes" by August 31, 2010 will be rewarded with a two-night courtesy stay. To view, vote or post, [click here](#)



New Adventure: Blue Pond Hike

Our Eco-Concierges keep exploring the area to bring you the most amazing regional natural features. Their latest discovery: blue ponds. Nearby creeks are painted by the high mineral content released by the magnificent Poas Volcano. Their sky-tinted waters flowing through smooth river boulders and moss covered stones create a truly mesmerizing landscape. Enjoy the sights or take a plunge in these dreamlike ponds!



Update From a Living, Organic Farmville!

Developing our Organic Farm has been one of the most exciting undertakings yet. Learning from local farmers, we have been able to bolster our produce offerings with regional and heirloom varieties. Our most recent addition... free range chickens to supply Las Ventanas Restaurant with fresh, healthy eggs. Paired with an abundant crop of vine-ripe tomatoes and wild blackberries, Chef Jaime is actively creating new dishes to better showcase these seasonal flavors. We can't wait to try them and share special recipes with you!



Esencia Spa Featured in Spa Magazine

El Silencio Lodge & Spa was recently featured in the May/June edition of Spa Magazine. We were thrilled to share our wellness specials and Esencia Spa exclusive treatments with health enthusiasts who are considering Costa Rica as their next destination. To see our current offering of travel packages, please visit:

<http://www.elsilenciolodge.com/specials.htm>



Andrey and Andrea Share Great News

Our Eco-Concierge, Andrey Alpizar and Spa Therapist Andrea Gutierrez recently celebrated one of life's most wonderful milestones. Proving that magical natural settings inspire romance, they just got married! We extend a heartfelt *felicidades* to both and are thrilled to share the exciting news with our friends and associates. To congratulate them, please feel free to write to Andrey at:

ecc2@elsilenciolodge.com



Soccer Dreams at Bajos del Toro

On behalf of our youngest neighbors at Bajos del Toro, we thank our friends for collaborating with the purchase of uniforms and equipment for the budding local soccer team. The first training sessions and warm-up matches have been a bigger hit than the current World Cup! El Silencio Lodge & Spa is honored to sponsor the team and looks forward to a season of challenging fun. Athletic discipline and good sportsmanship teach children excellent life skills that we are certain will positively impact their academic and social performance. Go team!

