



# Costa Rica

## A beacon of hope

### Costa Rica has

- The world's happiest people
- Very colourful currency notes depicting artistic scenes of beautiful landscapes and the country's flora and fauna. The currency is called Colones after the Spanish name for Christopher Columbus
- No army. The country prefers to spend its money on education and sustainability
- 5 per cent of the world's biodiversity
- A well-developed eco-tourist industry. It limits the number of visitors it can accommodate.
- 5 active volcanoes
- The reputation of being the most politically stable country within Central America
- Been voted the greenest country in the world

