





Bienvenidos a La Colina de Carolina. Thanks for your visit. You will not be disappointed!

At the center of Cobano, you'll turn left (assuming you are coming from Tambor or Paquera). The bank will be on your left at the corner. A new commercial building construction is on the opposite diagonal corner. This left turn takes you toward Montezuma. The driveway to La Colina is on your left, approximately 6 km. It is marked by a reflector in front of 3 pina's (pineapple plants), where the dirt road becomes asphalt. Don't go down the hill!! La Colina de Carolina is 1 km above the village. Open the gate, if closed, and come on in. Parking is on your right and the house is ahead. The stone walkway leads you up to the house.

You will see 2 sets of double doors to enter. Each set of glass doors has a steel roll-down "store front" type door behind it. After you unlock a glass door, you will unlock the steel door next. Use 2 hands to unlock the glass doors. With both set of doors, use the keys gently. We lubricate the locks often, but the tropics are hard on metal things.

When you arrive, hopefully one of us will be waiting here for you at LCC. If you arrive during the day, you will first be surprised how pretty and green LCC is. If you arrive at night, you will see the solar path lights. We will collect your deposit, if you have not yet put that on your credit card, give you keys and show you the house....help you get settled.

## **NOTE: CAUTION HERE OPENING DOORS**

Lift the steel, roll-up door very carefully and slowly, avoiding the locks and latches of the glass doors. You'll see security bars on all windows....brightly painted, quite artful! In Costa Rica, our biggest problem is theft. Violent crime is very rare; however, theft is common for those who are careless. Don't learn the hard way. Simply shut and lock your car (if you have one) and La Colina always should be locked when you go out. The windows can be left open, if you wish. Never leave any valuables near a door or window.

A secure safe is provided for your use. I recommend you hide the key in the house, rather than keep it with you. THERE IS \$100 FEE FOR A LOST SAFE KEY.

If you wish, we can have beer or soda in the refrigerator for your arrival. Please email <a href="mailto:carol.butterworth@gmail.com">carol.butterworth@gmail.com</a> AHEAD of your arrival with this request. Coffee and milk are present for your first morning's coffee. You will find the kitchen pretty well stocked with the basics for cooking. If you use a lot of something, please replace it.

Kitchen has a toaster oven, micro oven, bread toaster, blender, crock pot, coffee maker, stove w/oven and refrigerator. It is safe to drink the tap water; the supply is from municipal water, but bottled water is present in the kitchen. The stove in the kitchen requires a flame to light. Lighters are right next to the stove.

PLEASE DO NOT USE THE KITCHEN COUNTERS AS CUTTING BOARDS. You can place garbage out by the front of the house and Will, caretaker/manager will take it away.

Washer/dryer are present, with basic supplies right there. In the dry season, things dry quickly on the line.

Please raise and lower the sofa bed gently. Linens are in the red bathroom closet. Note: towels for the beach are up higher on the shelves. Blue bathroom has a hot shower and #1, #2 flush toilet. You can flush paper down the toilet here, in this house. We have upgraded plumbing, so this should work well. No pads, tampons, cotton balls, Q tips, paper towels....nothing but toilet paper. With our solar hot water, you will always have at least a warm shower, usually so hot you need to add cold water. During "high" season, we often have little or no water pressure. We have a water pump on the reservoir water tank to minimize or eliminate this inconvenience.

CD player/FM radio is present. There is an LCD TV with DVD player....BYO DVD's or rent at the video store in Cobano.

You need to check out "The Loop", the circular walkway around LCC (La Colina de Carolina). Stop at the "smoking lounge"...sit, rest, look at the stars, listen to the surf, smoke, whatever. We have a big sky here! The stars are big and bright!

We have a caretaker on site here at La Colina. Will will assist you with your needs. He will be watering plants and doing other maintenance. He can call me if you have any concerns, problems, or questions he cannot answer. If any situation arises that you need or want to talk to me, Carolina, tell him to call me and hand the phone to you.

He speaks only Spanish, but is quick to understand things. If you are here longer than a week, he cleans the house on Wednesdays.



This is Will, so you will recognize him.

Please notify Will when your departure time is set. At least 1 hour before this time, he will conduct a check out visit/scan to review the damage/security check list and collect all keys. If he is holding your cash deposit and all is well with the check out review, your security/damage deposit will be returned at this time. When you leave, simply pull the bed linens off and put them with the towels on the washing machine.

Thank you for being here at La Colina. Please sign the guest book. We hope to see you again.

## Pura Vida!!

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P.S. I would love for you to send me an email after your visit. It is important to me that we do our best to make sure your visit here to La Colina de Carolina was great!! Please share with me anything we can do better or needs improvement. For example, check in/check out, Will's services, cleanliness, linens, kitchen, anything. If something in particular was really good, please let me know that, too.

Muchas gracias y Ciao!! Buena Suerte!!

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## Check List

1	Headlamp – behind BR doo	or \$15
2	Flashlights	\$10 ea
1	Night Sky book	\$50
1	CD/Radio	\$75
1	TV/DVD player	\$500
1	Binoculars	\$100
2	Fold up beach chairs	\$ 25 ea
1	Day backpack	\$ 40
1	Fold up cooler bag	\$20
1	Key for safe	\$100
1	House keys	\$ 25 set
1	Scratches (cutting marks)	
	kitchen counter and table	\$ 25