

Driving Directions

For guests preferring to drive, directions from Liberia Airport to Recreo are as follows:

1. When leaving the airport, take a left onto the highway.
2. Stay straight until the main intersection in Liberia.
(Jumbo supermarket on the right, Burger King on the left)
3. Make the left at Burger King.
4. Stay on that road straight for about 45 minutes until you get to La Cruz. As you drive into La Cruz, the police station and clinic are on your right. Turn LEFT just before the large gas station.
5. Take that road straight and follow the curve to the right. You will pass two grocery stores next to each other on your right.
6. Take a LEFT at the next 4-way intersection. The La Cruz park will be on the left.
7. Take that road straight out of town. Drive down a hill and the water is visible in the distance to the right. The road will transition to a dirt road after a few miles.
8. Take the road to El Jobo. (There are a few places where the road forks off but keep to the right.)
9. When you reach El Jobo drive straight into town. Pass a red convenience store on the left.
10. Take the next right. The road goes either straight or right; there is a small police station on the left once you turn.
11. Take that road about 1 mile out of town and Recreo will be on your right. Our entrance is visible with the fences, pink flowers and a wooden gate. After you enter through the gate, parking is available in front of the Welcome Center.

If you reach the beach you went too far. Ricardo, the onsite concierge, can be reached at 011 506 8 357 1952; the number for Recreo's Welcome Center is 011 506 2 676 1230.

Car Travel

Costa Rica is predominantly rural, and the roads are mostly unpaved. Most cars and SUVs in Costa Rica have manual transmissions, including most rental cars. Liberia has several locations for renting a car or SUV. Gas stations are not abundant, and you are encouraged to fill up whenever possible. Car seats and or booster seats are required for children under the age of 12 years old and should be reserved in advance at a car-rental location. If you will be using Recreo transportation, please advise ahead of time if you require a car seat. Here are the guidelines for choosing which option is best for your child:

Booster: 30 lbs, 57" tall

Car Seats: 20-50lbs

Infant car seats 5lbs +

The speed limit is generally 80 KMP (54 mph) and slower in residential areas. Speed limits and seat-belt laws are strictly enforced. Policemen will often stop drivers at checkpoints along the Pan American Highway. Be prepared to answer questions about your destination, where you came from, and the purpose of your trip.

Car rental during the holiday and high seasons begins at \$45 a day and may require up to a \$1,000 deposit payable by credit card. To avoid a hefty refueling fee, return the rental car with a full tank of gas. To rent a car you will need a driver's license, a passport, and a credit card. The rules of the road are similar to those in the United States. Also, most agencies have cell-phone rentals that range from \$2 to \$7 per day and national per-minute costs of 70¢ to \$2.