NORTH AMERICA

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CITY EXCURSION SAN JOSE

Undiscovered Urban Oasis

SAN JOSE, the city of my birth is a gem on the verge of an urban renewal. Nestled in the central valley amidst three mountain ranges, San Jose offers a surprising escape for a long weekend.



Start your visit with a refreshing hike through a cloud forest just an hour away, chasing waterfalls on a leisurely two-mile trail. Dinner is casual and early in the mountains with typical rustic food and Guaro as we call our sugar cane liquor



To cap off your escape, spend the last night and days unwinding in a luxurious 18 room spa retreat nestled an hour up the mountain in the country town of Atenas, said to have the best climate in the world – a hidden gem offering stunning views to complement your relaxation.



Back in the city, Saturdays offer a unique charm. With offices closed, you can wander the quiet, leafy Victorian neighborhoods on the city's east side. . A wild discord of architecture, victorian, art deco arches, and museums housed in brutalist megaliths, showcasing Latin American art and pre-Columbian artifacts. For dinner discover culinary gems that are starting to make waves on international foodie lists.



