

KINKARA

- DRIVING DIRECTIONS -

Kinkara is located in the foothills of Mt. Chirripó, just 20 minutes from San Isidro de El General, the largest city in Costa Rica's Southern Zone. If you would like to reach Kinkara using your own transportation, here are some directions and recommendations to make for an enjoyable ride.



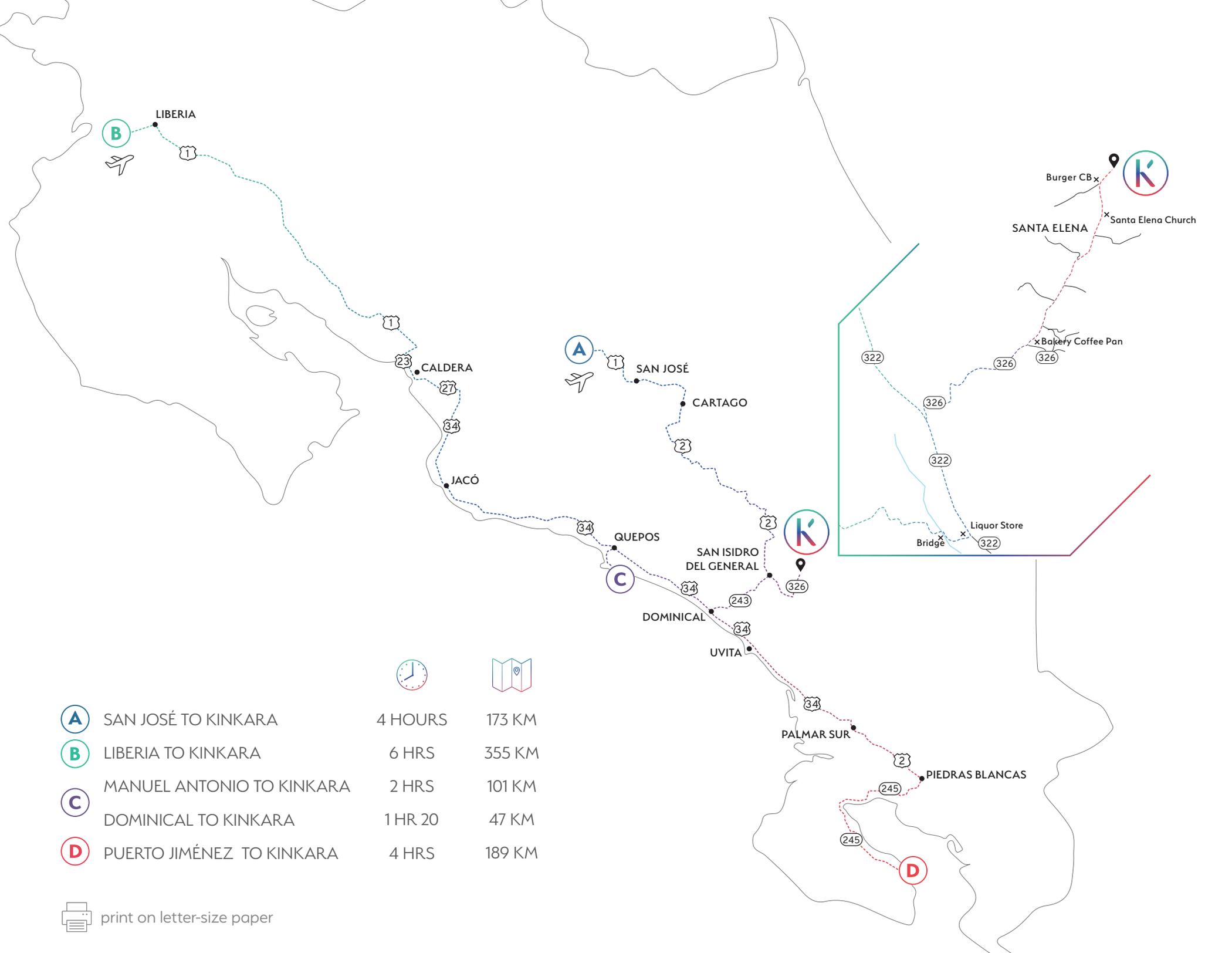
1. Follow our directions. While Waze and Google Maps will provide you with direct routes, they will often send you on unpleasant drives along rugged roads. What's more, occasionally they don't account for closed roads and bridges either. Please stick to our turn-by-turn directions and avoid trusting your navigation systems without first comparing their suggested routes with ours.



2. Try to arrive during daylight hours. For one, you'll enjoy beautiful mountain scenery and a taste of our culture if you can see your surroundings. For practicality, you'll appreciate the extra visibility, especially in Green Season where clouds often hang low up in the mountains.



3. Consider renting a 4x2 or 4x4 vehicle. While highways around the country are generally well-maintained, the rural roads approaching Kinkara can be bumpy. Cushion the ride with a slightly bigger car.



		
A SAN JOSÉ TO KINKARA	4 HOURS	173 KM
B LIBERIA TO KINKARA	6 HRS	355 KM
C MANUEL ANTONIO TO KINKARA	2 HRS	101 KM
C DOMINICAL TO KINKARA	1 HR 20	47 KM
D PUERTO JIMÉNEZ TO KINKARA	4 HRS	189 KM

A. FROM SAN JOSÉ TO KINKARA

1. From Juan Santamaría International Airport, you will need to turn right and merge onto **Autopista General Cañas (Inter American Highway/Route 1)**.
2. Approximately 12.3km on, turn right at Parada Intcomex onto **Circunvalación/Paseo de la Segunda República (Route 39)**.
3. Continue for 10.2km and at the roundabout, take the first exit onto **Av. 32/Route 215**.
4. Continue for 3.3km and take a slight right at Restaurante y Bar El Sesteo onto **Route 2**.
5. 12.3km on, take a slight right at Carinceria El Gaucho to stay on Route 2, keeping right and continuing for approximately 118km up into the mountains.
6. Once you reach the city of San Isidro de El General, note the McDonalds on your right. Drive 7.6km until you reach Ferreteria Palmares on your right, then turn left.
7. Go straight, passing the plaza and church on your left until you reach the T junction, then turn right. When you reach the fork in the road, stay left.
8. You will cross one small and one large bridge before reaching a T junction. With a liquor store on your right, turn left onto **Route 322**.
9. Drive 1.8km through the town and follow the paved road until you come upon a gravel road (**Route 326**) that forks to the right. Turn right onto this road.
10. After 2km, take a left up the hill at the Mini Super and Bar. You'll see signs for CB Burger and Coffee Pan.
11. Drive 3km through Santa Elena town – passing a school and church on your right – to a T junction (Pulperia La Valencia in front and CB Burger to the right). Go right and 300m on you will see the entrance to Kinkara on your left.

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B. FROM LIBERIA TO KINKARA

1. Take Boulevard Aeropuerto to leave Liberia Airport. After 1.2km, turn left onto **Route 21** and continue for approximately 10km.
2. Turn right at the main junction onto the **Inter American Highway/Route 1** just after Santa Rosa Plaza Mall. Continue along this Route for approximately 118km.
3. Pass by the Costa Rican Oil Refinery on the right and take the ramp off Route 1 onto **Route 23**.
4. Continue on Route 23 for approximately 11.9km, passing through the town of La Caldera and continuing straight onto **Route 27**.
5. Approximately 16.3km on, turn off to the right onto Carretera Pacifica Fernández Oreamunco (**Route 34/Costanera Sur**).
6. Continue on Route 34 for 142km, passing the Tarcoles River and the towns of Jacó, Parrita and Quepos.
7. When you reach the junction at Dominical, turn left onto Route 243 and continue for 33.6km towards the city of San Isidro de El General, passing through Barrio Boston (a city neighborhood) until you reach a T junction. Turn right onto **Route 2/Inter American Highway**.
8. Continue for 8.3km until you reach Ferreteria Palmares on your right, then turn left.
9. Go straight, pass the plaza and church on your left until you reach the T junction, then turn right. When you reach the fork in the road, stay left.
10. You will cross one small and one large bridge before reaching a T junction. With a liquor store on your right, turn left onto **Route 322**.
11. Drive 1.8km through the town and follow the paved road until you come upon a gravel road (**Route 326**) that forks to the right. Turn right onto this road.
12. Take the right and after 2km, take a left up the hill at the Mini Super and Bar. You'll see signs for CB Burger and Coffee Pan.
13. Drive 3km through Santa Elena town – passing a school and church on your right – to a T junction (Pulperia La Valencia in front and CB Burger to the right). Go right and 300m on you will see the entrance to Kinkara on your left.

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C. FROM MANUEL ANTONIO TO KINKARA OR FROM DOMINICAL TO KINKARA

1. To Manuel Antonio, take **Route 618** through the hills down to Quepos. At Nao's Café take a right onto **Calle 5**.
2. Turn right at Cabinas El Cisne onto **Av. 5** and continue straight onto Route 235. Turn right at Hacienda Pacífica to stay on **Route 235**.
3. Continue for approximately 2.8km then take a right at the gas station onto Carretera Pacífica Fernández Oreamuno (**Route 34/Costanera Sur**). Stay on this Route for 37.9km.
4. When you reach the junction at Dominical, turn left onto **Route 243** and continue for 33.6km towards the city of San Isidro de El General, passing through Barrio Boston (a city neighborhood) until you reach a T junction. Turn right onto **Route 2/Inter American Highway**.
5. Continue for 8.3km until you reach Ferreteria Palmares on your right, then turn left.
6. Go straight, passing the plaza and church on your left until you reach the T junction, then turn right. Stay left when you reach the fork.
7. You will cross one small and one large bridge before reaching a T junction. With a liquor store on your right, turn left onto **Route 322**.
8. Drive 1.8km through the town and follow the paved road until you come upon a gravel road (**Route 326**) that forks to the right. Turn right onto this road.
9. After 2km, take a left up the hill at the Mini Super and Bar. You'll see signs for CB Burger and Coffee Pan.
10. Drive 3km through Santa Elena town – passing a school and church on your right – to a T junction (Pulpería La Valencia in front and CB Burger to the right). Go right and 300m on you will see the entrance to Kinkara on your left.

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D. FROM PUERTO JIMÉNEZ TO KINKARA

1. To leave Puerto Jiménez, take **Route 245** through town, turning left after passing the football field on your right.
2. Continue on Route 245 for approximately 74km, staying to your right when you pass through the town of La Palma until you reach the T junction. Take a left onto **Route 2 (Inter American Highway)**.
3. Continue on this Route for approximately 138km, staying to the right after crossing the river from Palmar Sur.
4. Eventually, as you approach the city of San Isidro de El General, turn right onto **Route 322**. 7.3km on, you'll come upon a gravel road (**Route 326**) that forks to the right. Turn right onto this road.
5. After 2km, take a left up the hill at the Mini Super and Bar. You'll see signs for CB Burger and Coffee Pan.
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