



## **THE GREEN HOTEL CONCEPT**

On January 1st, 2004, Si Como No's Green Hotels of Costa Rica began operations with the acquisition of Villa Blanca Cloud Forest Hotel and Spa, near San Ramon in El Silencio de Los Angeles , and now the participation of Aguila de Osa Inn Marine Frontier at Drake Bay, near Corcovado National Park. Each property is operated in accordance with the highest eco-tourism standards, preserving "The Magic of Nature" for generations to come.

## **GREEN HOTELS MISSION**

Green Hotels of Costa Rica are members of Certificate of Sustainable Tourism Program of Costa Rican Hotels. We encourage you to support their efforts and review our section entitled GREEN HOTELS STATEMENT for more information about how to comply with these important conservation standards. We welcome your feedback on conservation and policies that are included in our hotel guest's surveys and printed information which you will find in every hotel room, at each hotel's concierge desk and on our hotel websites. Let's all make a difference before it's too late.

The Certification in Sustainable Tourism Program (C.S.T.) is managed by Costa Rican Tourism Institute (ICT). C.S.T. was design to differentiate tourism sector business based on the degree to which they comply with a sustainable model of natural, cultural and social resource management.

C.S.T. is regulated by the Costa Rican National Accreditation Commission and consists of a scale of 5 "leaves" of sustainable tourism achievement.