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worth the risk. I even had one person suggest I would probably wake up in a bathtub filled with ice with a kidney removed! This is just Hollywood-induced nonsense that couldn't be farther from the truth. Costa Rica is a modern country with high medical standards offering first-class dental services. Costa Rica has become a dentistry leader, with many of their dentists trained and educated in the United States. Dr. Urzola is a perfectionist, as is his staff; nothing is compromised. His clinic is first class with the latest equipment, all state of the art.

Dental tourism to Costa Rica couldn't be easier! American and Spirit Airlines offer several flights per day to San Jose at a cost of approximately $300 per person. It's a 3-hour flight from Fort Lauderdale Airport. SJO, Costa Rica's main international hub, is just a short drive from Urzola Dentistry in the upscale suburban Lindora community. There are several hotel options, most including breakfast in the $100 per night range. Dr. Urzola has negotiated special rates for his patients, which I couldn't match as a travel agent! All the arrangements were coordinated through his office manager, Cristina Soriano. 1-650-640-9721[/vc_column_text][/vc_column][/vc_row][vc_row type="in_container" full_screen_row_position="middle" scene_position="center" text_color="dark" text_align="left" overlay_strength="0.3″ shape_divider_position="bottom"][vc_column column_padding="no-extra-padding" column_padding_position="all" background_color_opacity="1″ background_hover_color_opacity="1″ column_shadow="none" column_border_radius="none" width="1/2″ tablet_text_alignment="default" phone_text_alignment="default" column_border_width="none" column_border_style="solid"][vc_column_text]Getting back to my situation… I had 3 teeth extracted over the past 5 years and felt it was time to do something about it. At the time of the extraction, I chose to include a bone graft because I knew at some point, I would need dental implants.

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with x-rays, and molds were made for the custom-made prosthetic teeth. We had 3 days between my first and last appointment which we used to explore the La Fortuna area and the Arenal Volcano. Following our return, we had our last appointment with the prosthetic teeth placed and fitted into my mouth before flying home the next day.

My Dental Tourism experience in Costa Rica was nothing short of perfect! I could not have found a better dentist. Dr. Urzola and his staff at Urzola Dentistry welcomed me with open arms, I was comforted when I was nervous about the procedure and left 100% satisfied and happy with the experience. Dr. Urzola, a perfectionist, made sure everything was just right! Just to be clear, this testimonial is written without any conflict of interest, and without any form of compensation.

Dental Tourism to Costa Rica must be considered for anyone in need of cosmetic dentistry and oral surgery. You'll save money and have a great time in an amazing country![/vc_column_text][/vc_column][/vc_row]