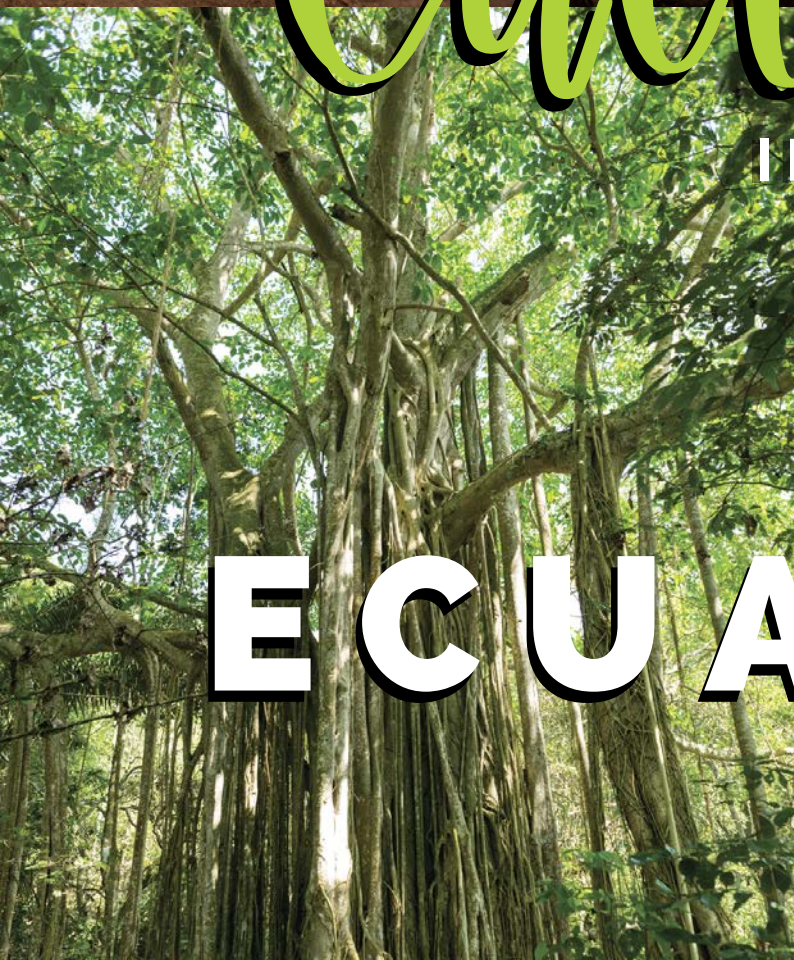




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**ECUADOR**

2 week Cultural Immersion Program  
FROM AUGUST 28- SEPTEMBER 11TH  
OR FEBRUARY 2023

Experience a new culture and language through the lense of sustainability.

We offer a **unique and empowering experience for young adults, filled with values of care and respect for Nature.**



In line with those principals we have created a special 2 week program suitable for schools, universities, families, home and world schoolers who want a rich new learning experience in the warm tropics.

"We wanted to visit a local family and try the local food, but we got so much more. Experiences like this help us evolve from visitors into like-minded people."

-Nic Pilbrow, New Zealand

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## THE PROGRAM

This is a two week program held at Rio Muchacho Organic Farm Park, with an optional 1 week add-on in the Amazon, Galapagos, or the Andes. The farm is located on the coast of Ecuador in the Montubio culture. The Montubios are ingenious, jovial people with rich oral tradition.

Rio Muchacho is a National Geographic endorsed social enterprise that is dedicated to sustainable agriculture, environmental education, alternative tourism and community work.

With 30 years of experience, many international groups have been hosted at the farm providing life changing experiences for youth and young adults and multiple benefits to the local community.

The farm is 20 minutes by car from the beach town of Canoa, in Manabi. The food is deliciously healthy and the climate mild.



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## HOW DOES THE PROGRAM WORK?

We have put together a rich and creative program blending culture and agriculture food, crafts, sport, recreation and adventure with some beach and free time to appreciate your surroundings.

### How do the activities work?

08h30 - 12h00: Cultural activities  
12h00-13h00 Lunch break  
13h30 -16h30 Cultural activities  
18h00 -Dinner



### Ideas for free time

- Swim in the river
- Visit the animal area
- Hike to the lookout point
- Use the library ( books in English and Spanish).
- Use the sustainability library
- Swing on the mighty swing
- Walk on the trails and enjoy the hammocks
- Bird watching
- Play mini football at the farm or go to the larger community football field
- Do yoga.
- Play board games



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# Two week program at Río Muchacho

The events of the last few years have made us ever more aware of the Importance of community, sustainability and food security. This program is ideal to help us to learn to build cultural understanding, sustainable systems, and resilience as individuals and as a global community.

## Week 1

|                  | Monday   | Tuesday   | Wednesday  | Thursday                      | Friday  | Saturday  | Sunday  |
|------------------|--|---|--|-------------------------------|---|-----------|---|
|                  | Breakfast  | Breakfast   | Breakfast  | Breakfast                     | Breakfast   | Beach day | Excursion to Isla Corazon<br>Lunch in community |
| <b>Morning</b>   | Welcome Accommodation, Orientation, Introductory video | Hike to giant tree<br>Ring making with palm seeds | Lookout hike<br>Chocolate making from field to table | Cheese making<br>Bread making | Cookie making in the wood oven<br>Crafts with vegetable Ivory |           |   |
|                  | Lunch  | Lunch   | Lunch  | Lunch                         | Lunch   |           |   |
| <b>Afternoon</b> | Farm Tour, crops and animals, forest, yoga platform    | Farm Activities                                   | Free time  | Farm Activities               | Celebration of plantain- the versatility of this staple food  | Beach day | Swim at the beach on return to the farm         |



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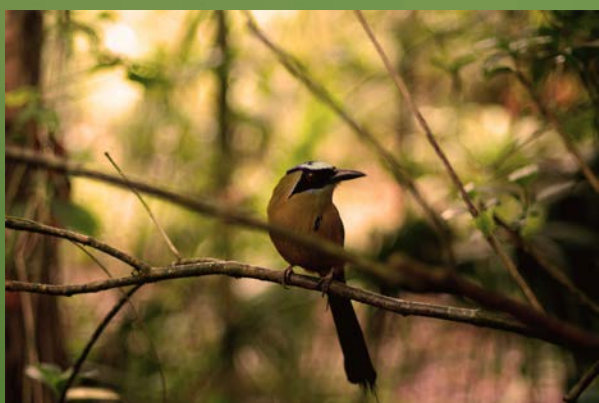


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## Week 2

|                  | Monday  | Tuesday  | Wednesday                 | Thursday                              | Friday   | Saturday  | Sunday                    |
|------------------|---|--|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|--|---|---------------------------|
|                  | Breakfast   | Breakfast  | Breakfast                 | Breakfast                             | Breakfast  |   |                           |
| <b>Morning</b>   | Harvesting tropical crops, yuca, plantain<br>Make yuca cake | Shrimp fishing in the stream.<br>Make bamboo pen | Making a cup out of gourd | Learn about coffee -from field to cup | Plant a tree to commemorate the visit.<br>The story of the machete.. the most used tool In the tropics | Farm to table meal made into the tonga, a typical meal wrapped in banana leaves | Departure after breakfast |
|                  | Lunch   | Lunch  | Lunch                     | Lunch                                 | Lunch  |   |                           |
| <b>Afternoon</b> | Hike to waterfall and monkey forest                         | Farm activities                                  | Free time                 | Beach day                             | Visit a local family.<br>Clay facemask   | Free Afternoon<br>Packing time<br>Evening camp fire and smores                  |                           |



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# ENJOY OUR ROOMS

in the middle of the transition forest

## TRADITIONAL ECOFRIENDLY CABINS



Our cabins are creatively constructed with local materials.

Enjoy the many sounds of nature, abundant bird life, and the gentle meandering of the river at night.

Great fun fact.. mosquitos are almost non existant!!



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# Río Muchacho FAQ's

You can see the complete FAQ on [our website](#)

## PRECAUTIONS DURING COVID

For everyone's safety we are applying the biosecurity protocols related to the COVID-19 pandemic that were established by the government of Ecuador.

For the latest update on the covid situation visit: <https://www.coronavirusecuador.com>

## Map of the farm





## Optional weekend activities at the closest beach town of Canoa

- Surf classes
- Body board and surf board hire
- Bike hire
- Paragliding
- Paddle board
- Excellent seafood and international food
- Inexpensive hair braiding



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## Río Muchacho Cultural Immersion Experience

2 week program

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| Prices           |  |
|------------------|--|
| Program          | Río Muchacho 2 week spanish and cultural immersion |
| Price per person | \$700  |

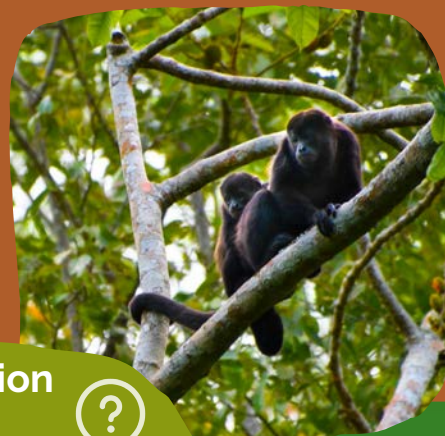
\*All prices are in US dollars  
Minimum group size 8

### Río Muchacho program includes:

- 3 meals/day and drinking water
- Accommodation in Río Muchacho
- All on-farm activities and Excursion to Isla Corazon
- Lunch in community Isla Corazon

### Río Muchacho program doesn't include

- Transport to and from farm
- Lunch on beach days, participants may choose where they eat.
- Any off-farm expenses
- Travel insurance



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## Our Vision

In Río Muchacho we are passionate about agriculture, education and tourism for a better planet, and we live and share this passion. Visitors learn from the moment they set foot on the farm.

We believe in a strong connection with our food, and we work with recovering biodiversity, carbon sequestration, enrichment and regeneration of soil life to produce abundance in crops, which are transformed into delicious healthy food.

We then recycle everything through alternative, circular and spiralling economies. Our efforts have returned the wildlife and created a more balanced environment where benefits are felt in the local and wider community.

We started the farm in 1990 on barren, dry land. Now it has been transformed into an Organic Farm Park- a recreational learning space for all ages.

For some years we have been working with Ayni, a German based Ethical Tourism Organisation.

(Ayni is a Quechua word meaning the Andean law of reciprocity).

We share the same values of assisting communities in creating positive pathways towards sustainable prosperity through ecotourism and agriculture.

**This is an opportunity to contribute to this important model. Your visit helps make this initiative sustainable and supports the continuation of educational projects for the local and wider community,**



## Video of the farm

To see the video click on the photo or on the play icon



# We look forward to seeing you!



FAQ & Reservations



Don't miss this great opportunity to learn about a new path to sustainability,

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