



Nicaragua Work Group Sample Itinerary

Sunday (Day 1) Morning arrival in Managua. Travel to Matagalpa for a general welcoming and orientation (3 hour drive north of Managua). Settle in and overnight at hostel. Lodging and breakfast and dinners will be served here.

Monday-Friday (Days 2-6): Each day you will travel to a community worksite (10-40 min ride) to meet the community where you will help build the public school classroom or learning center. Construction work will be alongside local volunteers every morning. Each afternoon will have local excursions to visit places such as a chocolate production plant, coffee cooperatives, women's jewelry coop, hike to a waterfalls and more. Afternoon and evening discussions and presentations by local community members, organizations and teachers. Friday will be the final day in community for a late morning farewell ceremony at the school.

Saturday (Day 7): Visit to Selva Negra, an educational eco-tourism coffee farm. Participants can learn about organic and fair trade coffee, explore and take a guide hike. Optional guided horseback ride.

Sunday (Day 8): Travel to Mombacho Volcano, an inactive volcano with a cloud forest just outside of Granada, to hike or go on zip lines. (3 hour drive) Overnight at hotel in the colonial town of Granada.

Monday (Day 9): Explore Granada or a crater lake and visit the huge craft market in Masaya. Debriefing before early evening departure to US or Canada.