

## Guatemalan Adventure: Connect to the Global Coffee Community

### GENERAL OVERVIEW:

Spend 8 days immersed in Guatemalan coffee, culture, cuisine, agriculture and service through meaningful experiential learning with Unearth the World's nonprofit partner. Engage in cross-cultural exchange, service, day trips and artisan workshops with the goal of breaking down barriers, educating, and promoting global leaders.

### PROJECT OVERVIEW:

Unearth the World has partnered with a nonprofit in Guatemala that works with coffee farming communities to create economic opportunity that improves the quality of life for farmers, their families, and communities.

This organization has three pillars - Coffee Commercialization, Cooperative Assistance and Community Tourism. They envision a coffee industry that is equitable and inclusive; that enables small-holder farmers to earn a dignified income and live prosperous lives, that facilitates authentic relationships between coffee producers and coffee buyers, and that meets economic, social and environmental needs of everyone involved.

### ACCOMMODATIONS:

Live with a local farmer and his family! A great way to practice Spanish and truly understand the Guatemalan way of life.

### SUGGESTED ITINERARY:

#### Day 1: Arrival

Arrive at La Aurora airport, Guatemala City. Shuttle to San Miguel Escobar. Orientation. Dinner with group and a cooperative farmer.

#### Day 2: Antigua tour and Global coffee trade activity

Breakfast at homestay. Shuttle to Antigua. Explore Antigua: Hike to the Cerro de la Cruz, see colonial ruins and enjoy lunch out on the town. Activity on global coffee trade. Dinner together with a cooperative farmer.

#### Day 3: A day in the life of a coffee farmer

Breakfast at homestay. Meet farmer and hike to the coffee field, learn about coffee along the way and participate in agricultural work. Return to the farmer's home for lunch. Continue learning more about coffee processing. Coffee conversation with Executive Director of nonprofit. Dinner together with a cooperative farmer.

#### Day 4: Local service project

Breakfast at homestay. Work on community construction project. Lunch together at farmer's home. Continue working on community construction project. Dinner together with a cooperative farmer.

Day 5: Local service project; Cooking workshop

Breakfast at homestay. Finish community construction project. Lunch together at farmer's home. Pepian cooking workshop: prepare a local Guatemalan dish with local people and eat what you cooked for dinner.

Day 6: Artisan workshops and Market Scavenger hunt

Breakfast at homestay. Artisan workshop (carpentry, ironwork, peanut butter, burlap or traditional textiles). Lunch with artisan families. Market Scavenger Hunt at the Antigua food market. Prepare dinner together.

Day 7: Free Day! Explore other areas of Guatemala

Breakfast at homestay. Leave for Lake Atitlan, Volcan Pacaya or Iximche Ruins. Lunch on your own. Dinner together in Antigua.

Day 8: Depart

Breakfast at homestay. Depart for airport.

[COSTS AND INCLUSIONS:](#)

Pre-trip training (Unearth the World's 5-part Global service-learning curriculum)

Pre-trip logistical support

All accommodations (Homestay)

All in-country transportation (Airport pick-up/drop off)

All meals (except lunch on the free day)

Cooking workshop, Antigua visit, Artisan workshops

Volunteer projects, coffee activities and intentional cultural exchange

Post-trip support/coaching (led by Unearth the World)

[Cost Breakdowns](#)

Individual Cost Per Person for above itinerary: \$1200

[Costs Not Included](#)

Airfare

International Health Insurance

Free day activities