



Going Global Exchange NICARAGUA

4-H in Nicaragua

Sponsored by an organization called Fabretto, Nicaragua's Rural Youth Development and 4-H Program trains more than 800 youth living in rural Nicaraguan communities key technical and soft skills like agriculture, science, communication, responsibility and service.

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What to Expect

- Learn about the production of local crops, including fruits like dragon fruit, passion flower, passion fruit, mango, lime and papaya.
- Experience Nicaraguan traditional foods and dance.
- Meet other young people from around the region and world, participating and enjoying opportunities for social athletics, games, and gatherings.
- Take the chance to travel Nicaragua, and see sites like the colonial city of Granada and swim in Laguna de Apoyo.
- Nicaragua is one of the poorest countries in Latin America and many live in poverty.
- **Tip:** English will be limited. If interested in Nicaragua, commit to studying a bit of Spanish before traveling. It is not mandatory, but you'll have a better time if you do.

QUICK FACTS

40% of the Nicaraguan population is under the age of 15!

Major crops include: coffee, cotton, sugarcane, corn, rice, and bananas.

Each city and town has an official Saint, also known as the "Santo Patrono", which results in annual colourful, folkloric celebrations, called 'Fiestas Patrinales.'

Agriculture employs approximately 30% of the labour force and is responsible for 20% of total national income!



"I had the best time living in Nicaragua. The exchange and living with a host family really allowed me to experience Nicaraguan life in a way a tourist would never see!"

Julia, Nicaragua, 2016