



Home Stay



1. Product details

Product:	Homestay with cacao farmer family
Place:	Dominican Republic
Short description:	The cacao farmers of CONACADO are small-scale producers of Fairtrade cacao, situated in various areas in the Dominican Republic. The visitors will visit the cacao plantations which belong to Bloque no. 3 in Hato Mayor del Rey. The farmers themselves will be guiding the tourists.
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2. Summary

We offer home stay programs for several days. It gives visitors the opportunity to participate in the daily life of the Dominican farmer families and to enjoy the beautiful rural environments. Activities during the home stay program are:

- Chocolate Tour
- Assist the family with work on the farm (harvesting, transporting, fermentation & drying of cocoa beans)
- Visit Fairtrade projects and local schools
- Cultural and social activities
- Hiking and swimming in the nearby area



There is also plenty of free time in which you can plan your own activities

3. Additional information

Project:	This tourism project aims to provide the Fairtrade cacao producers an additional source of income. The homestay program is an excellent opportunity to meet local people, to learn about Fairtrade cacao production and to experience real life in the Dominican Republic.
Period:	All year, but best from March to July or October to January.
Locations:	Hato Mayor (2.5hours drive from Punta Cana) El Seybo (2hours drive from Punta Cana)
Duration:	Preferably 7 days, but the length of the program can be adapted on request
Rates:	RD\$ 2,000 (US\$ 50) per person per day, incl. breakfast, lunch, dinner and Chocolate Tour. Other activities are available, but need to be paid separately. Transport on arrival and departure is also not included.
Additional information:	Most farmer families only speak Spanish, so bringing a dictionary is recommended. During the rainy season it is recommended to bring rubber boots and raincoats. Insect repellent is definitely a must.
Other:	Furthermore it is good to know that the life of the Dominicans in the rural areas is very laid back. The visitors should therefore not expect a full developed program, but are encouraged to relax and enjoy their free time.

