

CASA MUCURA

 Coqui, Choco

 1 year, 6 months, 3 months

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Categories:

- Art and culture
- Environment
- Ethnotourism
- Gastronomy
- Agriculture

Hosting Situation:

Project

Location:

Rural

WHO ARE WE?

Casa Mucura is a foundation created to support and accompany the local community of Nuquí (Colombian pacific coast) in the strengthening of capacities that lead to the self-management of their own projects. They co-create with a responsible community approach that starts from a close understanding of the territory and works through participatory methodologies and permaculture principles that include the vision of the community and lead to social, environmental, and economic sustainability.

ACTIVITIES



1. Centro de saberes Coquí: Place where they research, observe, and create biannual exhibitions and products for each of the trades drawn by the community. It has five exhibition halls: Medicinal Plants, Handicrafts, Agriculture and Gastronomy, Musical Expression and Artisanal Fishing.
2. Costurero del Golfo: During COVID-19, 5 women start sewing in their living room to create reusable and washable mask covers to help their community to protect themselves and reduce the biomedical waste that ends up on their beaches.
3. La casa de todos, Arusí: This is the house created for volunteers and the community, it is some sort of communal place.

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VOLUNTEER TASKS

- Exchange of knowledge between the volunteer and the community
- Accompany the different experiences the foundation do with tourist and people from the community
- Support the workshops they do (Medicinal Plants, Handicrafts, Agriculture and Gastronomy, Musical Expression and Artisanal Fishing)
- Support the activities with children and women



VOLUNTEER REQUIREMENTS

There are no specifications on the volunteer's profile. The important thing is that the volunteer has a good attitude, has disposition, and is proactive. It is vital for the volunteer to be open-minded and to be very respectful of other cultures and ancestral knowledge.

COMMUNITY CONTEXT

Coquí, which is part of the tourist municipality of Nuquí, is located in a very rich and fertile area where its inhabitants can live from what they fish in the sea and rivers, as well as from what they plant and collect in the lush jungle that grows behind them. It has a border. The work they do is promote productive initiatives that the local community wants to develop.



They also work with international cooperation, which promotes the local work of the people from Coquí. They want to have volunteers because they believe it is an enriching opportunity to continue with the exchange of culture and knowledge.