

## **2021 PEG Guatemala Trip Itinerary**

Here is a proposed itinerary. It may need to shift as we get closer to the actual dates and get more information from our partners. Things in Guatemala change based on weather, road conditions, national current events, and local factors. This is our plan, and we ask for your flexibility as we adapt to whatever is happening on the ground each day.

### **Day 1 Sunday, July 11**

This is arrival day. Group will be shuttled to Casa San Benito in Guatemala City. We will have group introductions and dinner. Afterwards, we will have evening reflections.

### **Day 2 Monday, July 12**

We will have breakfast at Casa San Benito and then head to the CEDEPCA office to receive two lectures on the History of Guatemala and Current Context with Professor Castaneda. Lunch will be served at the CEDEPCA office and then we will walk to the topographical map.

### **Day 3 Tuesday, July 13**

Breakfast at Casa San Benito and then visit UPAVIM and see their school, medical clinic, handicraft shop, and bread shop. In the afternoon, we will drive 3-4 hours to Santiago, Atitlan, and will stay in beautiful accommodations overlooking the lake.

### **Day 4 Wednesday, July 14**

This morning, we will hop in the back of a pick-up and visit Escuelita David LaMotte in Tzanchaj, (about 15 minutes). You'll get to see some of the homes, learn about the local Maya language, Tzu'tujil, and meet the students who will be excited to greet you at Escuelita David LaMotte. In the afternoon, we will work on a project together.

### **Day 5 Thursday, July 15**

We will head back to Escuelita David LaMotte to spend time with the students and continue working on a project. In the afternoon we will visit and learn about La Puerta Abierta school and library.

### **Day 6 Friday, July 16**

We say goodbye to beautiful Santiago and take a boat to cross Lake Atitlan to Panajachel. You will have free time and lunch in Panajachel, then we will travel 2.5 hours back to El Tejar to stay with homestays.

### **Day 7 Saturday, July 17**

Breakfast will be served with the family, then we will walk about 10 minutes to the music school. We will spend some time with the kids and enjoy a concert. In the afternoon, we may visit some other towns nearby. We will have dinner with our host families.

**Day 8 Sunday, July 18**

We will meet with the young women who are part of the scholarship program called BrillaGuate. We will have a time of exchange with icebreakers, games, and other activities and enjoy lunch together. In the afternoon, we will head to Antigua and see a little of the city as we walk to dinner.

**Day 9 Monday, July 19**

Today we will tour Antigua and relax.

**Day 10 Tuesday, July 21**

This is return day. We will have shuttles from Antigua to the airport (about an hour-long drive) according to departure times.

**Overall Time at Locations for the ten-day trip:**

- 2 nights in Guatemala City
- 3 nights in Santiago, Atitlan
- 2 nights at homestay in El Tejar
- 2 nights in Antigua

We look forward to sharing this adventure with you!

