



EDUCATIONAL
TOURS

Community & Conservation in Puerto Rico

8 days

12–15 estimated service hours

Experience Puerto Rico's lush, tropical landscapes as you help restore and protect the valuable natural resources of the island. In San Juan, you'll experience the culture of a major city, while absorbing the Spanish-influenced history and architecture. Then, the focus will shift to conservation of the stunning landscapes and delicate ecosystems, through Service Learning activities such as reforestation or greenhouse construction. And of course, no trip to Puerto Rico is complete without a visit to the palm tree-lined Luquillo Beach and a kayak ride along a bioluminescent bay.

On this Service Learning Tour, you'll support initiatives such as:

- Environmental sustainability
- Reforestation
- Agricultural restoration



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8-day San Juan itinerary

Day 1

- Arrive in San Juan.
- Enjoy free time to relax at the hotel during the afternoon.

Day 2

- Get an introduction to the Service Learning project you'll be working on this week.
- Visit El Morro, a 16th-century fortress and UNESCO World Heritage Site.
- Take a guided sightseeing tour of Old San Juan, where you'll see San José church, La Fortaleza, Cathedral of San Juan Bautista, Capitol Building, and Paseo de la Princesa.
- Experience the beauty and colonial charm of Old San Juan during dinner tonight.

more experiences await →

Day 3

- Begin your environmental Service Learning work today. Projects could include removal of invasive species, reforestation of mangroves, or construction of greenhouses.
- After dinner, find your rhythm during an authentic salsa lesson.

Day 4

- Continue your environmental Service Learning project today.
- Participate in a traditional Puerto Rican cooking class in San Juan.

Day 5

- Continue your environmental Service Learning project today.
- Take some time to explore the city of San Juan on your own.

Day 6

- Visit the Arecibo Observatory, the world's second-largest single-dish radio telescope.
- At Cueva Vantana, take some stunning photos from inside this large cave that overlooks the Río Grande de Arecibo valley.

Day 7

- Participate in an educational program at Hacienda 8A. At this family-run ranch, you will learn how to care for the on-site horses, create crafts out of local materials, and engage in agricultural activities such as planting, composting, and more.
- Travel to Fajardo.
- Spend the afternoon relaxing on the shores of Luquillo Beach.
- Kayak along a bioluminescent bay in Fajardo.
- Travel back to San Juan.

Day 8: Depart for home



What to expect on EF's Service Learning Tours

On a Service Learning Tour, you and your students work side by side with locals on community-driven projects. We partner with established non-profits and NGOs to ensure your support is both meaningful and sustainable. Through hands-on work and authentic connections to the local culture, students learn vital collaboration and problem-solving skills. And they return home inspired to make a difference in their own communities.

Students who travel on our Service Learning Tours will experience:

Meaningful service

Working side by side with locals, you'll gain insight into the challenges they face and build lasting solutions to help empower the community.

Cultural immersion

Live in the communities you serve—celebrating the area's customs and forming lasting connections with locals.

Leadership development

Your Field Director takes your service experience even further, strengthening leadership skills through activities and workshops.

What's included:

- Full-time Field Director
- Expert-led sightseeing tours
- Entrance fees
- Service hours
- 7 overnight stays in hotels
- Round-trip flights
- Local transportation
- Breakfast and dinner daily

Start Planning

To enrol on this tour, ask your teacher for the tour number and visit eftours.ca/enrol or call 1-800-263-2806