

# Amistad

Homestay Language Study

## Granada



### DAY ONE- Granada Arrival

Evening arrival in Managua's International Airport. Greeting by Nicaraguita Language School Staff in airport lobby. Transfer to Granada where you'll meet the Program Director as you're introduced to your host families.

Granada is a picturesque colonial city that was founded in 1524 by Captain Francisco Hernandez de Cordoba. Granada is situated next to the Mombacho volcano and sits on the shores of Lake Cocibolca, with over 300 "isletas."

**MIDDLE CLASS HOST FAMILIES** are usually relatives, neighbors, or lifelong friends of our homestay directors. Regardless, directors monitor and continually evaluate host families. Host families provide all meals - except those incorporated in the touring. Everyone speaks Spanish in the home. Students normally share with one other group member of the same general language ability.

### DAYS TWO – SIX: Language *interACTIONS*

Daily language sessions are integrated with five fascinating *interACTIONS*. Language instruction incorporates a blend of structure, conversation, and practicalities. Personal attention and language practice are assured with a native teacher for every 3 to 5 students.

DAY TWO - Centro Historico walking tour and boat ride on Lake Cocibolca to view several of the 365 "isletas", including monkey island. Later, visit a local elementary school

DAY THREE - Mombacho Volcano, hike the "Crater Trail". Later, visit the Nicaragua Libre Community project for an afternoon of volunteering.

DAY FOUR - Pueblos Blancos: Catarina flower market and San Juan de Oriente pottery & bamboo artisans. Afternoon language session overlooks the Laguna de Apoyo crater lake.

DAY FIVE - Masaya: Coyotepec fortress, waterfront, hammock workshops and mammoth Mercado de Artesanias with evening Verbena: folkloric dances, music, and traditional Nicaraguan food.

DAY SIX - Mercado Municipal, cooking lesson with host families, and dance lessons including Meringue, Reguetton, and Palo de Mayo.

### DAY SEVEN – Group Options

Today, consider an optional tour such as Mombacho zip-lining (\$65) or kayaking (\$50). Groups may also elect to visit a local project for full-day of volunteering [no extra cost].

### DAY EIGHT – Return to USA

Farewell to your host families. Early morning transfer to Managua's International Airport for your return to the United States.

Ecotour-playa optional extension. Student fee is based upon date of travel and required rooming arrangements:

#### DAY EIGHT – Montelimar Beach

Farewell to your host families. Morning drive to the Pacific Coast for two nights at the five-star Barcelo Resort. All meals and non-alcoholic beverages are included. Enjoy pools, 700 hectares of tropical plants and a fine, sandy beach.

#### DAY NINE – Montelimar

Resort facilities include two tennis courts, minigolf, gymnasium and free use of equipment for boogie boards and kayaking.

#### DAY TEN – Return to USA



#### DEPARTURES

8 days/7 nights  
with option: 10 days/9 nights



#### 7 NIGHTS

Granada Homestay 7

#### 9 NIGHTS with option:

Granada Homestay 7  
Montelimar Beach 2



#### MEALS

Host families provide all meals.  
WITH OPTION: all meals