



# Agriculture Development Project



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📍 Cambodia - Samraong

Be part of an Agri-Tech learning center, engaging in locals about the importance of sustainable alternative technologies and farming practices.

With a strong focus on rural entrepreneurship, the goal of this program is to allow young people of rural communities to reverse the general trend in agriculture and show them that a rural economy can be thriving and help them provide for their families.

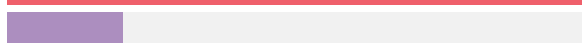
Culture



Learning



Leisure



Community Engagement



Physical Demand



## Program Description

Cambodia is predominantly an agricultural country in which the majority of people are farmers. However, there is very little knowledge when it comes to the science and art of cultivating plants and livestock. As such, it is important for locals to seek and develop agricultural partnerships that increases their resources available to them more efficiently.

Green Shoots Foundation (an international NGO) in collaboration with CIDO (Community-Based Integrated Development Organisation) are spear-heading an agricultural skills training program at a local agricultural training center in Samraog, Cambodia.

This center will provide a free training course on not only the importance of how agriculture plays a vital role in the backbone of this country, but also the use of sustainable farming practices as a way of bettering both current and future generations. The center is also the place to show all trainees and other farmers all vegetables or crops they would like to plant. For the locals, the central aim they would like to benefit from attending these training lessons will be the opportunity to continue sustainable farming practices on their own. With renewed experiences and knowledge, the villagers will be able to start planting their own vegetables at home.

This project takes place in a dedicated project site 5 -6 km outside of our accommodation building. As such, you will need to cycle (15 - 20 mins) to and from our accommodation in order to join the week-long program. The main activities are training local farmers and youth on agriculture from Monday to Friday from 0:800 till 17:00 in the afternoon. You will be expected to have a keen interest in outdoor gardening and basic building work. You must also be willing to work in the sun, not be too scared of insects and bugs and engage in some heavy lifting. For most tasks you shall be with a local person. These key people who have extensive background in agriculture and project management will be your guide in deciding tasks or a project to complete.

All meals are provided at our accommodation. During your lunch break, you have the option to consume your packed-lunch on site or go by bike back to the accommodation site.

Additionally, this program will give you the chance to experience the authentic countryside of Cambodia by living amongst locals and helping out the villagers on their farms.

## Program Duration & Availability

**Min duration (weeks):** 1

## Aims & Objectives

- Provide access to vocational training in horticulture, integrated farming and other sustainable farming practices and sustainable technology
- Improve practical application of rural development skills in-line with environmental preservation
- Enhance the capacity of young farmers for enterprise development

## Schedule

### Monday to Friday

A typical day during this program may look like this:

- Breakfast
- Join the training session with an introduction to integrated farming
- Join the construction at the center and engage in land preparation
- Engage in a personal project: workshop and group work
- Lunch
- Make a model of crops or vegetable beds
- Visit some local families who are working with vegetables
- Help the families with their daily vegetable work
- Prepare Earth block mixture (clay) and materials for binding
- Dinner

**This schedule can be changed and/or amended depending on weather conditions, local conditions and unforeseen circumstances.**

## Starting Dates

### During 2019

This program starts every week.

### During 2020

This program starts every week.

## Participant Criteria & Requirements

<b>Minimum age:</b>	18
<b>Maximum age:</b>	-
<b>Minimum English level:</b>	Basic
<b>CRB required:</b>	On Signup
<b>Passport copy required:</b>	No
<b>Resume copy required:</b>	No
<b>Required qualification:</b>	None

### Additional Requirements

- A certain level of fitness
- Must know how to ride a bike

## Additional Equipment

- Modest clothing (long sleeves and long pants offer the best protection when working outdoors, at the minimum- clothing should cover knees and shoulders)
- Please bring work gloves, work shoes or boots, water bottle, hat and sun protection.