

Executive Trip – Nicaragua

Limited Space – By Invitation Only



Travel with Spark's CEO and other business leaders for this invitation-only trip to Nicaragua. The itinerary has been designed for busy professionals and individuals with limited travel time. You will experience the full range of activities offered on Spark's traditional Partnership Trips, but in a condensed itinerary.



What to expect: Up close and personal engagement with Spark's partner Las Tías, a non-profit organization that serves vulnerable children in their community through nutrition and educational programming.

- **Partner & Programs** – Spend time learning and volunteering with the staff and children of Las Tías
- **Investment & Impact** – Hear specific stories of transformation and see how Spark's investors are changing lives
- **Culture & Context** – Learn about Nicaraguan history and the effects of extreme poverty; enjoy the food, dance, music, and natural beauty of the land
- **Mission & Model** – Hear about Spark's partnership model and vision for sustainability

Schedule: Spark Ventures has curated two varying itineraries to account for distinct schedules. We offer a Wednesday departure, for our 5-day trip and a Thursday departure, for our 4-day option. Both itineraries include time in León with our partner organization, but the shorter itinerary does not include a travel day in Granada.

Day 1: Arrivals, Culture & Context

Arrive Managua Int'l Airport (MGA) and view historic ruins on your drive to León. Relax and enjoy a group dinner upon arrival.

Day 2: Partner & Programs, Investment & Impact

Tour León and the Las Tías (Spark Partner) program facilities. Serve lunch to the children, engage with educational games, and visit the home of a child in the program. Enjoy a beach dinner with the Las Tías leadership.

Day 3: Mission & Model

Visit the Adolescent Program to learn more about the vocational training programs offered by Las Tías. Climb to the top of León's cathedral for a breathtaking view. And, spend the afternoon in a strategy session focused on advancing Spark's business development work with Las Tías. Close the evening preparing and enjoying dinner with the Las Tías team.

Day 4 (included in 5-day itinerary only): Culture & Context

Depart early to drive to Granada. Hike the Mombacho Volcano and visit the Las Flores coffee plantation. Enjoy a few free hours in Granada to explore the beauty of this colonial city before a final group dinner.

Day 5: Departures

Shuttles to Managua Int'l Airport (MGA) for return flights. Visit Cathedral and National Palace (if time permits).



Cost: The cost of the 5 day/4 night Executive Trip to Nicaragua is \$1,250; the cost of the 4 day/3 night trip is \$1,000. This is all-inclusive of meals, lodging (*double occupancy*) and ground transportation. The traveler is responsible for booking round-trip airfare to Managua, Nicaragua (MGA). A single room can be arranged for an additional \$40/night.

Next steps: Interested in a Spark Ventures Executive Trip to Nicaragua? Please reach out to Stephanie Denzer (sdenzer@sparkventures.org) to confirm date availability and next steps.

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