



The Green Earth giant mango tree

Agritourism

- Experience farming like a Lao farmer
- Enjoy the natural beauty of southern Laos!
- Step into a fish pond to catch fish for your dinner
- Learn to cook and eat real Lao food!
- Learn the coffee experience, from tree to cup!
- Visit local villages by bicycle or motorbike
- Sleep in a tent or Lao-style bungalow



Green Earth is located on the BOLAVEN “Small Loop”, about 1.5 hours from Pakse in Lao Ngam District, Salavan Province, and about 500 meters from the District center. Attractions include great weather, beautiful mountain scenery, coffee plantations, traditional Lao villages, and wonderful Lao people. The Loop is home to dozens of waterfalls, including Tad Fane, Tad Itou, and Tad Yuan on the Plateau, and Tad Lo and Tad Pa Suam just near Green Earth.



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A Demonstration Farm, Training Center, and Agritourism Destination

committed to improving the lives of farmers in Laos



Demonstration Farm

A main goal of Green Earth is to demonstrate new and adapted farming approaches to local farmers to increase their incomes, especially as they face land and food insecurity.

Farm highlights include:

- Mushroom houses for germination and harvest
- Goat, pig, chicken raising, new forages techniques
- Fish ponds
- Organic gardens: herbs, vegetables and fruits
- Natural fertilizers, including earthworms
- A natural forest, with trails to demonstrate non-timber forest product propagation



Farmer Training and Community Extension

Farmers lack technical support, access to new ideas, and timely market information. They typically sell at the lowest possible price and are reluctant to change unless they can see opportunity with their own eyes. Green Earth allow them to observe useful innovations and hands-on training to introduce them in their own villages.



Training Facilities for Organizations and Projects

Green Earth includes dorms, a training room, and in-farm training venues. We provide facilities and trainers upon request, for daily, weekly, and longer periods. We provide training on a wide range of topics, so please contact us for details!



Food Processing and Access to Markets

Green Earth works with local communities to add value to raw agricultural and timber products, as a strategy to increase farm incomes. Opportunities abound to process products, but techniques, storage and a host of other issues prevent communities from benefitting from their own raw materials.

Current featured products include:

- Wild Black Currant juice and wine
- Banana chips/candies
- Fresh mushrooms
- Organic vegetables
- Fresh fish from our ponds
- Chicken, goats, pigs, eggs
- Natural fertilizers



(sold in Laos at food fairs, restaurants, and hotels)

Green Earth Eco-Market

Linking producers and consumers locally:

- 1) For producers, to create an additional source of income for local communities that features forest conservation and stewardship;
- 2) For consumers, to raise awareness of the local ecology, challenges of production and local farming practices, and the impact of tourism on communities and the local environment.

The Eco-Market includes:

- A weekly marketplace held at Green Earth to feature local products
- Awareness raising about and strategies for forest conservation
- Innovations around sustainable collection of NTFPs
- Innovations around processing, packaging, and marketing of NTFPs
- Sustainable waste management strategies