

ORGANIC REGENERATES



WHY NEGROS OCCIDENTAL?

The Optimal Venue to Host the 2027 IFOAM ORGANIC WORLD CONGRESS

Negros Occidental is one of the provinces that make up Negros Island and is located near the central part of the Philippine Archipelago with a population of over 2.6 million.

Known as the sugar capital of the Philippines, the province has exported its organic muscovado, a non-centrifugal sugar, to Japan, South Korea, Germany, Malaysia, Austria, France and organic rice to Switzerland since 1980's.

Only Province with an Anti-GMO Legislation - the first in the Philippines

In 2007, a landmark legislation known as Provincial Ordinance No. 007, S. of 2007 was passed banning the entry, importation, introduction, planting, growing, selling, and trading of Genetically Modified Plants and Animals and imposes stringent measures towards the protection of Bio diversity and the attainment of the status of Negros as an Organic Food Island.

Longest Continuation of an Annual Organic Farmers Festival

In 2006, the 1st Negros Island Organic Farmers Festival was launched, and the annual festival has been graced by many international guests including the Presidents of IFOAM-Organics International and Slowfood International.

Strong Advocacy for Biodiversity Conservation

Negros Occidental is a national awardee for its strong advocacy on biodiversity conservation with Key Biodiversity Areas (KBAs) that have become the favorite tourism destinations. The Negros Occidental Coastal Wetland Conservation Area was declared as the 7th RAMSAR site with a habitat of globally threatened species like the Hawksbill; Green and Olive Ridley Sea turtles; Irrawaddy dolphins and over 70 species of water birds; extensive mangroves and mudflats serving as feeding grounds for thousands of migratory birds.

Seat of Regional Organic Cooperation in Asia

Negros Occidental has been the seat of IFOAM-Organics Asia since December 6th, 2019, with its base in Bacolod City, focusing on activities in Southeast Asia and within the Philippines such as the monitoring the development of PGS, advocacy, and capacity-building programs.

Easy Access & Abundant Amenities

The province is accessible by regular flights from Manila International Airport (50 minutes) and from Cebu International Airport (30 minutes). There are more than 8 four-star hotels and 54 three-star hotels of international standards and other eco-friendly hotels to provide you with every comfort during your stay.

Vote for Negros Occidental and You will be Helping Us to...

To make Negros Occidental the foremost Organic Province in the Philippines and in Asia!

To mainstream Organic Agriculture in the Province and the Philippines!

To continue to work against GMOs in the Philippines!

To boost the increase the number of PGS certifications that is ongoing nationwide!

To increase public awareness on the importance of transformation to an Organic Lifestyle!

To restore pride in farming and due respect to our Organic Farmers, our Superheroes!

To reaffirm once again the Principles of Organic Agriculture of Health, Ecology, Fairness and Care!

Come to Negros Occidental, the Land of Festivals, and Experience our Unique Culture, Food and Hospitality!



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