



Summer camp in the Azores



What to Expect:

This summer, swap the ordinary for an adventure with purpose! The Azores Teen Camp 2026 is your chance to connect with the vibrant youth of São Miguel while making a real impact: socially and environmentally. Join a dynamic local organization dedicated to meaningful change across the island.

From organizing games and playful English lessons for children, to supporting individuals with physical, mental, or social challenges through sustainable farming. Every day brings a new opportunity to grow, give back, and learn. You'll get your hands in the earth with organic agriculture, help protect the environment, and even have the chance to dive into sign language.

It's a journey of empathy, creativity, and connection, set against the stunning natural beauty of the Azores. Create memories that matter, build friendships across cultures, and discover how giving back can be the greatest adventure of all.

Bring your camera and your heart, because your time and talent can help tell stories that matter. As you support local people through sustainable farming and social activities, you'll also have the chance to shine a light on their work. Capture their dedication, creativity, and resilience, and help give visibility to the incredible impact they're making.

Youth Support

In this program, education and social needs merge into a unique mission! You will work with non profit entities involved in after school daycares which focus on activities like eating and playing.

The main objective of this program is to enrich the everyday life of kids and youngsters who are at risk of social exclusion. We want to help them understand their potential and support their education. The goal is to be a positive role model to kids and encourage them to grow freely, conscious about themselves and inspired by the world.

Your tasks:

- Create and lead playful educational games and activities.
- Organize and run creative workshops like painting, theater, and music.
- Promote healthy habits through outdoor games, group outings, and wellness sessions.
- Support English language learning through interactive practice and homework help.
- Build strong connections with students and actively participate in their daily experiences.

Sustainable Farming

You will be helping in taking care of the cultivation of a vegetable garden, the nursery built inside it, the botanical collection of Mediterranean plants, the urban garden and the laboratory of manufacturing/crafting activities.

But what really sets this program apart is its social component! While making a positive environmental impact, you will also work closely with people with disabilities or disorders, as well as individuals with a history of substance abuse.

Your tasks:

- Help with the various stages of cultivation.

- Help with harvesting.
- Help in the preparation of final products.
- Help in organizing spaces and activities.
- Watering plants (especially in the summer)

Digital ChangeMakers

As a Digital ChangeMaker volunteer you will support 2 NGOs in disseminating their mission and securing essential resources through digital communication strategies. By producing visual and audiovisual materials, you will help highlight the work carried out by these organizations.

During the course of the camp, you will have the opportunity to develop, as teams, communication strategies to both organizations. You will prepare and organize a final presentation, where you'll deliver your ideas and all materials gathered throughout your volunteer hours:

- Develop creative campaigns to raise awareness and funds.
- Design graphics, shoot photos and videos, and edit content to showcase the NGO's mission and activities.
- Collaborate with staff to understand ongoing projects and translate them into impactful content.

Culture & Adventure

Throughout the course of these 12 days you will also have the chance to enjoy and discover what best this special Island has to offer. Engage in various cultural and adventure activities:

- A treasure hunt in Ponta Delgada.
- A 4x4 ride to 7 cidades.
- Full day trip to Furnas.
- Whale Whatching.
- Discover the breathtaking Lagoa do Fogo
- Canyoning

Location: Azores – São Miguel Island

Duration: 12 days

Meals

Three meals a day are included in the program (breakfast, lunch, and dinner). Vegetarian, vegan, gluten-free, and lactose-free options are available upon request.

About the Azores

The Azores is a hidden gem in the middle of the Atlantic, a paradise of dramatic landscapes, emerald-green valleys, and steaming volcanic springs. This Portuguese archipelago feels like a world of its own, where breathtaking crater lakes meet rugged coastlines, and lush forests give way to charming, slow-paced villages. Whether you're an adventure seeker, a nature lover, or just craving an escape to somewhere truly magical, the Azores offers an unforgettable experience.

São Miguel, the largest island, is often called the "Green Island" due to its rolling hills, crater lakes like Sete Cidades, and geothermal hot springs. It offers incredible hiking trails, whale watching, and unique cultural experiences.

Our volunteer programs in São Miguel offer you a unique and rewarding way to travel, giving you the chance to immerse yourself in a new culture while making a positive impact. Whether you're helping the environment, supporting local communities, or contributing to sustainability efforts, volunteering allows you to connect with people, learn new skills, and experience a destination in a more meaningful way. It's not just about giving back - it's about growing, discovering, and creating lasting memories in places that truly inspire.

Do I need to speak the local language?

No, you don't need to have any previous skills in the local language! This program runs entirely in English and our guides and staff are all comfortable speaking English as well. However, we always encourage our participants to get acquainted with some of the most basic terms and expressions, even just a simple "Good morning!" in the local language can be a great icebreaker to start interacting with the locals!

Itinerary

Day1	Arrivals to Ponta Delgada
	Meet your Impactrip coordinator at the airport and transfer to the accommodation.
	Before dinner join your coordinator for an informal meet and greet
	Dinner at the accommodation.
Day 2	Welcome Briefing + Ponta Delgada
	After breakfast join our Impactrip team for a welcome briefing session, where we'll cover all aspects of our program and any doubts you may have.
	Lunch at the accommodation
	After lunch depart for an afternoon full of fun and discoveries in the beautiful capital of Ponta Delgada.
	Free time in Ponta Delgada before dinner
	Welcome dinner in local restaurant
	Transfer back to the accommodation.
Day 3	4x4 7 Cidades + Digital Changemakers project
	After breakfast start your day with an adventurous discovery of one of the highlights of the island - 7 Cidades - where you'll unveil the mystery around the blue and the green lagoon.
	Packed lunch
	Drive back to the accommodation to start working on your Digital Changemakers project
	Digital Changemakers project - presentation of the NGO's and start developing and preparing your digital change maker project to present to the organizations
	Free time at the accommodation
	Dinner at the accommodation

Day 4	Youth Support & Canyoning
	After breakfast join our youth support program for a full morning of fun and engaging activities
	Lunch at the project
	After lunch we'll venture on one of the most fun activities of the island - Canyoning. Canyoning is the adventurous descent of watercourses, offering thrilling, close-up encounters with the island's natural beauty.
	Free time at the accommodation
	Dinner at the accommodation

Day 5	Youth Support
	After breakfast join our youth support program for a full morning of fun and engaging activities
	Lunch at the project
	After lunch it's time to finish your work as Digital ChangeMaker for the youth support organization, which you will present tomorrow morning.
	Free time at the accommodation
	Dinner at the accommodation
	Today after dinner join us on a fun game night.
Day 6	Youth Support
	After breakfast join our youth support program for a full morning of fun and engaging activities
	Today is the day where you and your team will present your project as Digital Change Maker to the organization.
	Lunch at the project
	Free time at the accommodation.
	Dinner at the accommodation
	Karaoke night
Day 7	Full day trip to Furnas with lunch included
	Breakfast at the accommodation
	Today you'll discover another iconic part of the island - Furnas. A paradise of steaming hot springs, emerald-green valleys, and unique flavors, where nature's geothermal magic cooks traditional meals beneath the ground.
	It's a full day trip with lunch included. We'll be back at the accommodation later in the afternoon.
	Dinner at the accommodation

Day 8	Sustainable Farming
	After breakfast join our sustainable farming program for a full morning of fun and engaging activities
	Packed lunch
	Now that you've learnt about a new organization and project, it's time to start developing and preparing your digital change maker project to present to the organization
	Free time at the accommodation
	Dinner at the accommodation

Day 9	Sustainable Farming
	After breakfast join our sustainable farming program for a full morning of fun and engaging activities
	Packed lunch
	After lunch it's time to finish your work as Digital ChangeMaker for the sustainable farming organization, which you will present tomorrow morning.
	Free time at the accommodation
	Dinner at the accommodation
Day 10	Sustainable Farming
	After breakfast join our youth support program for a full morning of fun and engaging activities
	Today is the day where you and your team will present your project as Digital Change Maker to the organization.
	Packed lunch
	After lunch experience the thrill of whale watching in the Azores, where the deep blue Atlantic becomes a stage for majestic whales and playful dolphins.
	Headback to the accommodation and relax for the remaining day before dinner.
	Dinner at the accommodation
	Bonfire night and reflections on your volunteer service
Day 11	Lagoa do Fogo and thermal baths
	Breakfast at the accommodation
	Free morning for your own discoveries
	Lunch at the accommodation.
	In the afternoon we'll discover the second most famous lagoon of São Miguel - Lagoa do Fogo. Afterwards we'll bid farewell just as local with a traditional thermal bath in Caldeira Velha.
	Farewell dinner at the accommodation
Day 12	Departures
	Today is time to say farewell to the beautiful island of São Miguel.
	At an agreed time you'll be dropped off at the airport for your return home.