

MANGROVES & ECOTOURISM

Mangrove-based ecotourism is being applied to generate income and employment for local communities and for outreach and education purposes. Mangrove ecotourism activities include a guided tour in the Mangrove Education Centre, boat tours, board walks, bird watching, historic and cultural walks, fishing, meeting with locals, etc.

Mangroves in Suriname host many of these unique species and provide a great opportunity to develop eco nature-based tourism.

What a unique experience to have!!



Eco-tour guides are increasing their skills in order to attract nature tourists to explore the fascinating and tranquil mangrove ecosystem and its wildlife



The Centre of It All



The Mangrove Education Centre in Coronie is the focus of many activities, such as eco-tour guide training, or helping children, students, tourists, researchers understand the true value of this wonderful ecosystem.



A taste of Coronie's culture: blending the old with the new!

Please join our Coronie Mangrove Tours and enjoy the activities.

Tour Options: Half or full day tours

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MANGROVES

"Givers of Life"



**Supporting & Sustaining
Our Coastal Community in Coronie**



Beekeepers & Parwa Honey



One of Coronie's successful honey producers at work. Parwa honey has a wonderful taste on its own and is much sought after by honey-lovers!



No honey without bees!



Fishermen, Coconut Producers and Small Entrepreneurs: all blend in with Parwa



Local fisherman are preparing their nets.

Many local small businesses depend on the Parwa (black mangrove) for their survival. They include people selling fruit and coconuts and coconut oil at stands, honey producers, fisherman, crab sellers, tourism bureaus, etc. Mangroves support coastal fisheries, stabilize and protect shorelines and enhance water quality in coastal streams and estuaries. Mangroves are the third most productive ecosystem in the world, supporting a variety of insects, birds, small animals and fishes. Mangroves provide a rich source of nutrients and contribute to food security and a steady and reliable economy in coastal communities.

The True Value of our Mangroves A selection:

- They protect our coastlines from storms
- They maintain water quality and clarity, filtering pollutants and trapping sediments originating from land
- They sequester more CO₂ than any other ecosystem and so help fight climate change
- They prevent erosion by stabilizing sediments with their root systems
- They provide for our fisheries – both as food and as a nursery for juvenile fish
- They support the country's honey providers



The Coronie Fresh Water Wetland

The Coronie fresh water wetland is one of the largest natural freshwater reservoirs in the world. The wetland represents a wide and complex variety of ecosystem services and is of vital importance for the survival of the mangroves in Coronie.