

## **Organic Agriculture and Borobudur Tour**

Mount Merapi is the most active volcano in Indonesia, located around 30 km from Yogyakarta, one of the most popular city for tourism in Indonesia

Regularly Mount Merapi spews larva and ash which cause disaster but also as a fertiliser for agriculture.

The fertility of soil surrounds Merapi makes organic farming becomes a practical choice of farmers. It is predicted currently around 10,000 farmers grow their crops organically and around 1,000 among them have got organic certificate either nationally or internationally.

The biggest organic products are included salak, rice, and vegetables such as carrot, broccoli, bit, cauliflower, chilly, tomato, etc.

Salak is a special fruit of Merapi. Salak Merapi is known widely in Indonesia because it is sweet, crunchy, and has high vitamin and Calcium. It has a tiny skin which make this fruit can still fresh until three week after harvest. Currently around 3,100 hectare salak farming around Merapi with the average productivity around 25 ton per hectare per year.

### **Tour Organic and Meet Organic Producer**

FAO is facilitating the income recovery of farmers that affected by the Merapi eruption by accessing organic farmers to organic market.

This tour is a collaboration of FAO with the district government of Sleman – Yogyakarta Province, Central Java Province, Salak Farmers Association of Sleman District, Serikat Pelayanan Tani Nelayan Hari Pangan Sedunia, and Indonesia Organic Alliance.

This tour is aiming at linking potential organic buyers to organic farmers.

### **Itinerary of the Tour**

1. Salak Farmers Association of Sleman District-Yogyakarta Province.  
Currently the association has 25 sub groups that respectively has around 20 members. The association manages around 500 hectares salak farming. Besides have some eco-social certificates like GAP, Organic, and Prima, the association also has a storage, sorter machine, and export experience to China, and Singapore.
2. Organic Farmers Community in Kopeng-Central Java  
Kopeng is located at the 1450 m of sea level, one of tourist destination area in Central Java. Organic Farmers Community consists of 3 farmers group with around 200 member that manages around 80 hectares agricultural land. Currently around 20 hectares has enjoyed national organic certificate and around 80 hectares is in the process of conversion for international organic certificate. The main vegetables production from this area are carrot,

broccoli, bit, tomato, etc. This group regularly also has exported to Malaysia and Singapore.

3. Tani Organic Merapi.

Tani Organic Merapi is a farm that work together with around 100 farmers. So far this farm has supplied some supermarkets in Yogyakarta and Semarang. Around six hectares of their land has got a national organic certificate.

4. Padi Organic

Some farmers groups in district of Sleman, Boyolali and Semarang has got a national organic certificate. Each group organises around 25-30 hectares of rice land with the production rate around 8 tonnes per hectare per crop session.

5. Tour to Borobudur Temple

Besides organic tour, this tour will also facilitate participant to Borobudur Temple and Mount Merapi. Borobudur is one of the prominent Buddhist's temple in the world. Borobudur was listed as a UNESCO World Heritage Site and it is still used for pilgrimage; once a year Buddhists in Indonesia celebrate Vesakat the monument, and Borobudur is Indonesia's single most visited tourist attraction.

6. Tour to Merapi eruption affected area

Mount Merapi is the most active volcano that have a big eruption in 5<sup>th</sup> November 2012 cause 339 death, destroy 5000 house and displaces around 500.000 people. Some areas can be visited to witness the devastated impact of the eruption.

**Tour Schedule:**

- ❖ Date: 5-6 December 2012
- ❖ Time: 08.30 – 18.30.

**FAO Facilitation:**

- ❖ Accommodation at three stars hotel, sharing bed from 4 December (check in at 12.00 am) to 7 December (check out the latest at 12.00 am).
- ❖ Pick up transportation on 4 December from the International Airport Adisucipto Yogyakarta and to drop from the hotel to the Yogyakarta airport on 7 December).
- ❖ Local transportation in Yogyakarta for the tour's purpose.
- ❖ Meals during the tour in Yogyakarta.

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Due date for the registration: 22 November 2012.

FREE REGISTRATION FEE limit to only for 15 participations.

# Registration Form

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**Name**

**Company**

**Position**

**Company Address**

**Company email and website**

**Company telephone**

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**Main interested commodity**

**Main supplier country until now**

**Expectation from the tour**

**Date & time of arrival at Adisucipto  
Yogyakarta International Airport**

**Date & time of departure from  
Adisucipto Yogyakarta International  
Airport**

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