



Harvests (1): Zucchini, cabbage, malanga, broccoli, sweet lemon & sweet peppers, yacon, yuca, Orange King tomatoes, and Sumter cucumbers!

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Harvests (2): The Numu zucchini variety is off to a great start. The Finca Paraiso black beans are thriving indoors. The Sumter cucumbers quite resistant to leaf virus. Orange King tomatoes starting to ripen. And wild cilantro coyote and cultivated soft cilantro succession.





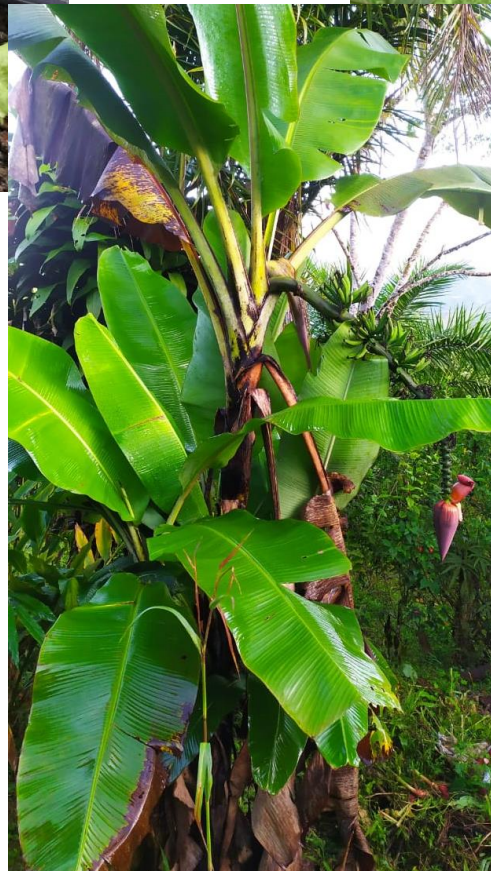
Growth: Our BG Ashram lettuces have been growing tall and skinny looking for sunlight (ave. 100g or less). The chayoteras are putting on their first fruits!



The papayas in Jagadamba Kanyaka are starting to ripen, and we're also able to eat them green in delicious picadillo!



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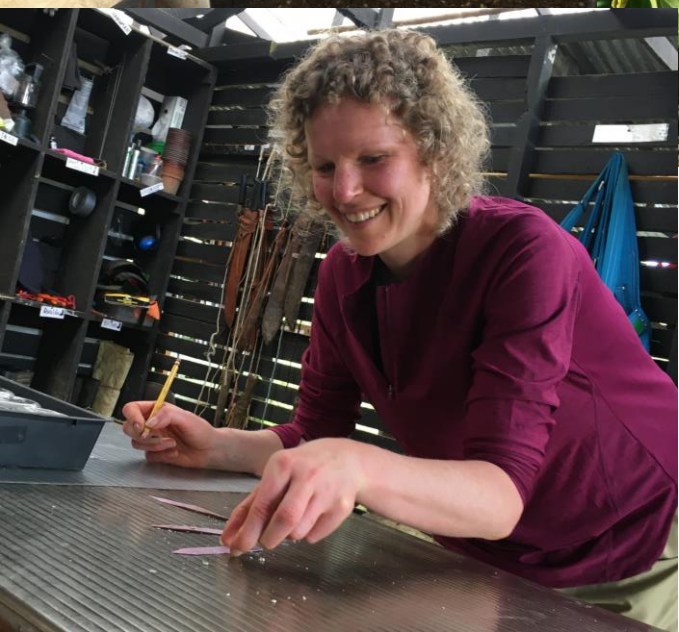
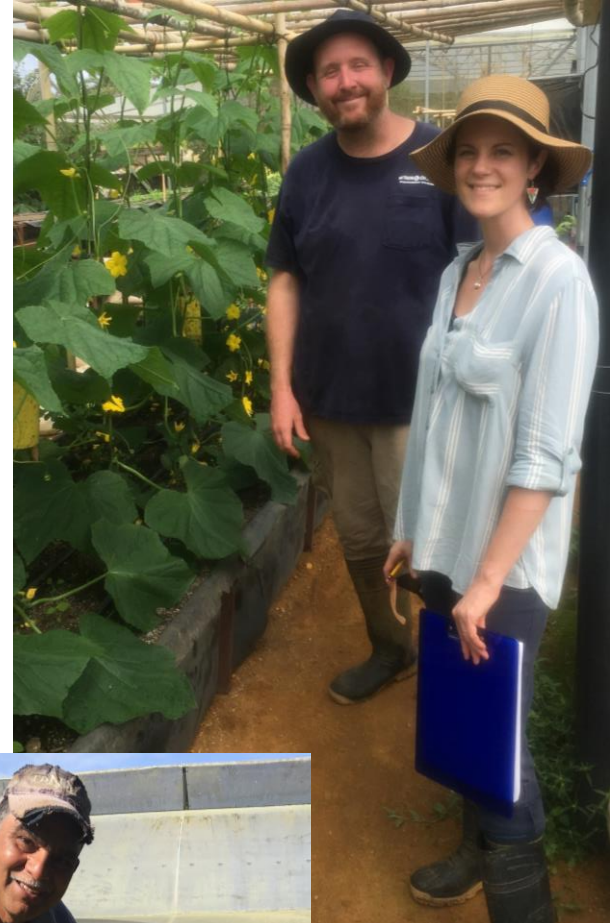


Our mielequilla banana baby with its first rack of fruits and several hijos by its side! And we've marked five fruits of the Sumter cucumber for seed saving. It is a pickling cucumber variety!





The Team (1): Jasmine exuding joy while planting. **Don Jagdish** with a piece of his Halloween costume making us all smile.



Don Sergio demonstrates the perfect yacon from the 2-meter bed under the front awning of Al-Kauthar. And **Priya** smiles as she prepares seeds for the weekly seeding!



Yogiraj and Tara blissfully reviewing the week's harvest.



The Team (2): Bryan celebrating the final yuca harvest. **Lucas** and **Sergio** doing the weekly harvest crate/container washing. **Hanuman** happily harvesting yacon. **Geiner, Wilson,** and **Oswaldo** fine tune the drainages around the new trail.



Can you find **Kalyan** cleaning way up in the ylang ylang tree?

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Happenings: A powerful storm blew many of the harvest crates right off their place on the harvest table! A knot that tightens can cause damage to the tomato stem. On the next tomato patch, we will be trying a new method of tying called the Florida weave. The irrigation system change over is nearly complete. We got some excellent new shovels and palines and efficiently attached them to the greenhouse posts. And one of our watering wands broke. Thankfully we are still able to order replacement parts from the US.





Projects/Routines: The completed Agriculture Bodega/motorcycle parking! The concrete floor is drying, and we must be patient before filling it! Rewiring the beds in Sugata. A new bed built under the southside awning of Al-Kauthar. And a fence around this future zucchini bed. A strange occurrence, one of the support beams under a gutter had filled up with water! And tying the vainica support fence!

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Challenges (Fungal/Climate): Parsley came to an end, until dry season. The Ashram 21 vainica seeds struggled with "rusting." We planted some chile dulce under the awning, but a few spots still got quite drenched. We've been transplanting scallions under awnings as well. A funky beet! And the Orange King tomato plants have been combating fungus and excess humidity.



There were many unusual effects, but the plants have still produced well despite the many challenges.





Challenges (Insect): Moth larvae damaged young beet leaves. A thick hungry caterpillar feasts on cabbage. The slugs got to these young bok choy, leaving tell tale eating trails. And the age-old question, which came first, the grasshopper/cockroach or the slug/ants? We find many kinds of “munching” to plants and fruits, but it’s hard to distinguish which came first. Is it the larger insect that damages the plant initially, then the smaller insects come to feed on the vulnerable/bleeding plant? Usually, we find the smaller insects around the damage,

but that doesn’t mean they were first.

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Creature Feature!



Infinite Beauty! Calendula flowers in full bloom! Gorgeous fiery sunset! We are enjoying seasonal mamonchinos, these were a gift from neighbors! Inspiring waterfall in Savegre! The papaya branch leaves a heart when it falls from the trunk! Especially delicious seasonal strawberries from the market!



New life, bean seedling emerging! And very animal-like blossoms enliven the ashram trails!



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