

UNFORGETABLE EXPERIENCE AT PULEWURUNG COMMUNITY BASED TOURISM

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Our trip to Pulewulung started around 8:30am from Sanata Dharma University with seven people (five students, one lecturer, and driver). When we reach to PULEWULUNG we were hosted by the representative of 170 community members. We were welcomed by the short briefing from the community leaders.



The short introduction involved the history of PULEWURUNG Community Based Tourism, the activities they offer, and the magic of the fruit called “SALAK”. We were introduced to the different products from SALAK such as (Dodol, Onde-onde, Geplakak, Wajik, and Krupuk) and then we tested all of them with a cup of tea.



Then we went to the SALAK plantation which consists of twenty hectares. We were told how they grow the fruit. From planting to first harvest, it takes 3 years. The farmers demonstrated how they plant and how you know the fruits that is ready to be harvested. We participated on how to harvest,

and we tested it. We worked through the plantation where the farmers introduced to us three types of SALAK (Super, Honey, and Ivory). We saw the difference between them, and we tested each of them to experience their difference in color, smell, test.



After that, we went to Family Ceria. Family Ceria is a small enterprise which produces different snacks from SALAK, namely Dodol, Onde-onde, Geplak, Wajik, and Krupuk. We were given an opportunity to participate in the production by mixed the porridge for Dodol and cutting the raw materials ready to make the final product of Krupuk. Then we had a chance to have a community food with the local community members.



After that we took the car and went for lunch at Kemuning Resto where we ate casava with mushrooms and fried rice with beef. On the way back to Pulewulung community, we have golden opportunity to take photos at the SALAK ICON.



After arriving back in PULEWULUNG community-based tourism, we went to water trekking which involved eight fascinating steps. It was my first experience doing that. Therefore, I enjoyed so much to the extent of wanting to go back there again next time. After that we went for a swimming at the pool near the center for half an hour then we come back to the campus.