

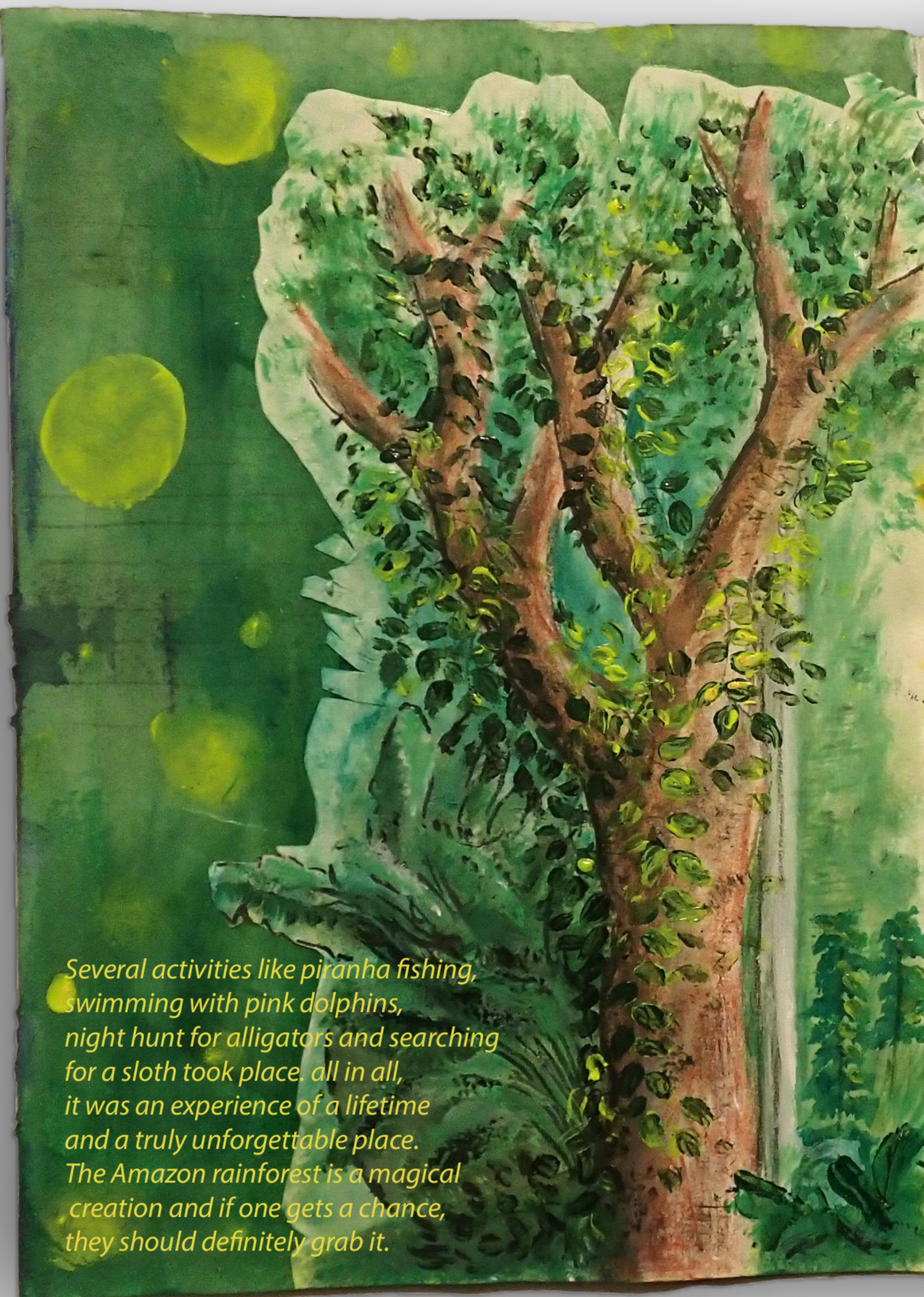
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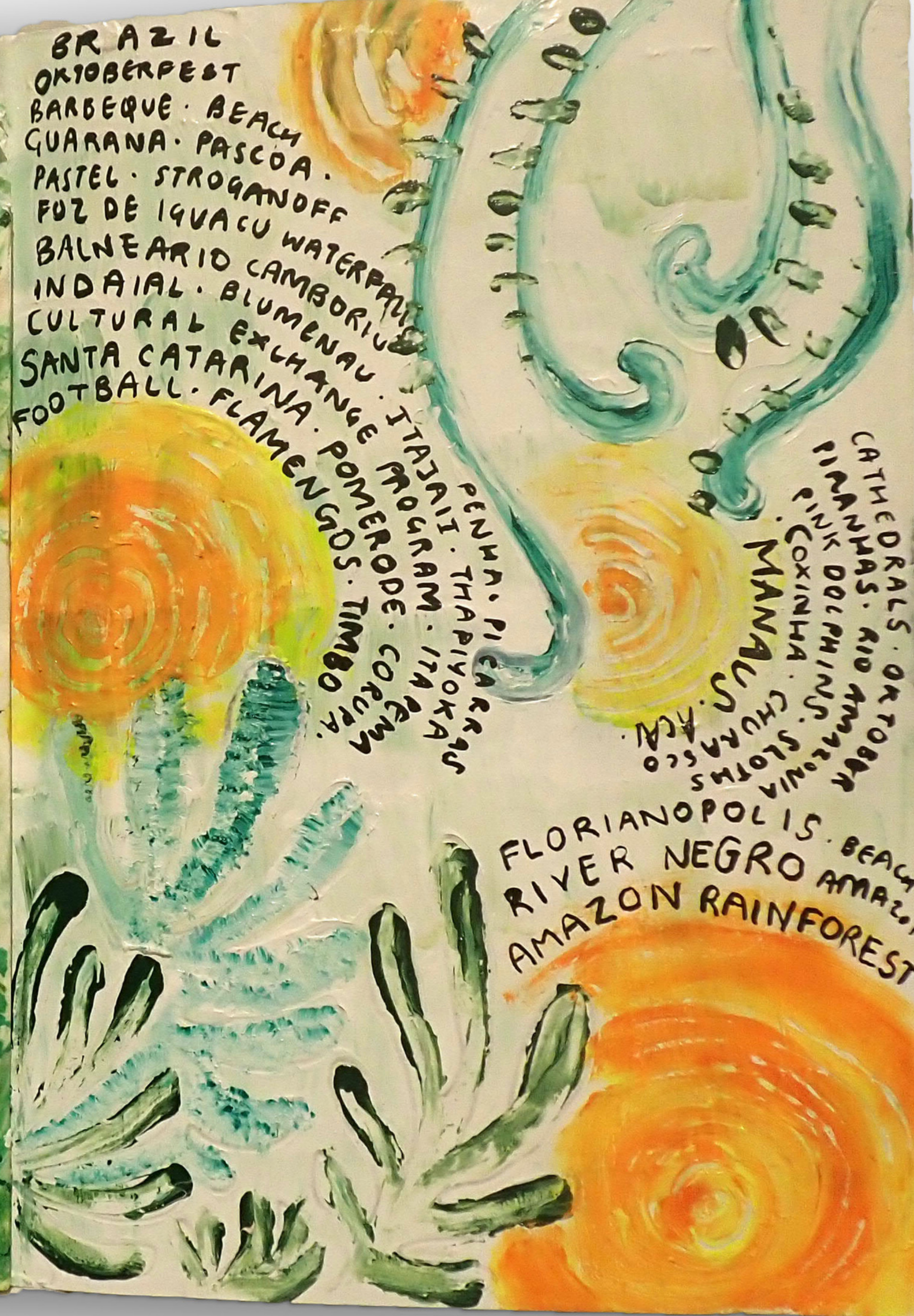


Amazon is the worlds largest tropical rainforest. It is home to thousands of rivers including the mighty amazon. In April 2018, I took a trip to the city of Manaus from there, with a group of 60 exchange student, we started our boat excursion into the amazon and negro river.





Several activities like piranha fishing, swimming with pink dolphins, night hunt for alligators and searching for a sloth took place, all in all, it was an experience of a lifetime and a truly unforgettable place. The Amazon rainforest is a magical creation and if one gets a chance, they should definitely grab it.



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PASTEL · STROGANOFF
FUZ DE IQUACU WATERPARK
BALNEARIO CAMBORIU
INDAIAL · BLUMENAU
CULTURAL EXCHANGE
SANTA CATARINA · Pomerode · CORUPA
FOOTBALL · FLAMENGO · TIMBO
PENHA · PIAUERS
ITAJAÍ · THAPIOKA
ITAPORANGA · ITAIPAVA

CATHEDRALS · OCTOBER
PIRANHAS · RIO AMAZON
PINK DOLPHINS · SLOTHS
COXIMHA · CHURCH
MANAUS · AM
FLORIANOPOLIS · BEACH
RIVER NEGRO AMAZON
AMAZON RAINFOREST

MY EXCHANGE

ON 21ST AUGUST 2017, I FLEW 14,766 KILOMETRES TO THE CITY OF SÃO PAULO, BRAZIL. I WAS A PART OF ROTARY'S CULTURAL YOUTH EXCHANGE PROGRAM, WHERE I GOT THE BEAUTIFUL CHANCE TO LIVE WITH 6 FAMILIES IN THE SPAN OF ONE YEAR.

WITH 2 LAYOVERS AND A 30 HOUR TOTAL TRAVEL TIME, I FINALLY REACHED THE SMALL TOWN OF TIMBO LOCATED IN THE STATE OF SANTA CATARINA. I ATTENDED PUBLIC SCHOOL AND GOT TO LEARN ABOUT THE COUNTRY'S HISTORY, GEOGRAPHY, CULTURE, LIFESTYLE AND MOST IMPORTANTLY THEIR LANGUAGE. FACT: BRAZIL IS THE ONLY SOUTH AMERICAN COUNTRY THAT DOES NOT SPEAK SPANISH.



FAMILIA 1
ERLON AND KATIA CIMARDI.



FAMILIA 2
KELI AND MAURICIO



FAMILIA 3:
JAICON AND MARCIA



FAMILIA 4 EDIMAR AND SUELY



FAMILIA 5 DORI AND FABIO



FAMILIA 6 ANA PAULA AND JOSE VILSON.



DURING MY EXCHANGE, I MET SOME INCREDIBLE PEOPLE. PEOPLE WHOM I NOW CALL MY FAMILY AND I LOVE THEM WITH ALL MY HEAR. THEY ARE PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN MY LIFE.

GOING TO PUBLIC SCHOOL WAS THE MOST DIFFICULT SINCE EVERYTHING WAS IN PORTUGUESE. BUT I MADE FRIENDS THAT I WILL NEVER FORGET. THE PROFESSORS AT SCHOOL WERE ALSO VERY KIND AND ALWAYS TRIED TO HELP ME OUT.

EXCHANGE FOR ME.

I NEVER THOUGH THAT I WOULD STAY AWAY FROM MY HOUSE. AWAY FROM MY COUNTRY FOR A YEAR. TO GO TO ANOTHER COUNTRY, TO STAY WITH PEOPLE YOU DON'T KNOW AND MAKE THEM YOUR FAMILY. TAUGHT ME A LOT OF THINGS. IT MADE ME MORE MATURE AND RESPONSIBLE. THE EXCHANGE WAS A GREAT EXPERIENCE FOR ME. IT HELPED ME LEARN NEW CULTURES AND NEW EXPERIENCES. IT WAS AN UNFORGETTABLE EXPERIENCE.



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