

MCME



About the Center

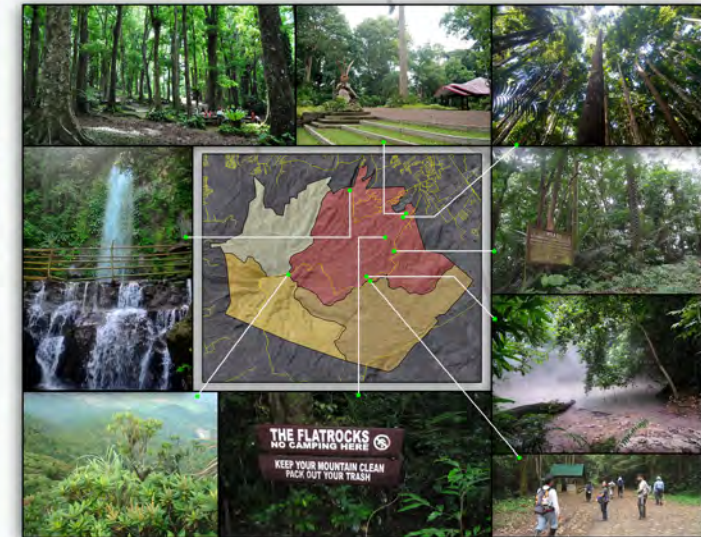
Established on June 25, 1998, the Makiling Center for Mountain Ecosystems (MCME) became the first center in the Philippines which focuses on the science and management of mountain ecosystems.



Points of Interest

The entire 4,244 hectares Makiling Forest Reserve contains a gene pool of endemic, indigenous, and exotic flora and fauna.

Recreation and ecotourism sites found in MFR include the Makiling Botanic Gardens, Makiling Rainforest Park, Peak II, Mudsprings, Flatrocks, Demonstration Plantation, and Experimental Sites.



Vision & Mission

An academic institution committed to generate and strengthening the scientific knowledge for the conservation and sustainable development of tropical mountain ecosystems in partnership with mountain communities.

To advance knowledge and promote sustainable development of Mt Makiling and other tropical mountain ecosystems through integrated participatory research and demonstration programs.

MAKILING CENTER FOR MOUNTAIN ECOSYSTEMS



Join us in protecting biodiversity and ensuring water supply!

Key RDE Component Programs



Biodiversity as Life Support System

Water and Watershed Management

Training and Livelihood

Tenure, People and Forests

Ecotourism



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MCME Divisions

Social Forestry Division

Promoting socio-economic development of mountain communities and enhance awareness and generate public support and participation towards sustainable development of MFR.

Major Activities:

- Participatory forest conservation, livelihood, and capability development
- Mountain Occupancy Management
- Mountain Learning and Conservation Education Program; Youth Summer Program; Community Broadcasting (Radio Program); Information Dissemination; and "Ugnayan sa Pamayanan" (LGU and other Stakeholders)



Forest and Watershed Division

Demonstrating appropriate technologies to maintain the ecological integrity of watersheds

Major Activities:

- Indigenous tree seedlings production
- Reforestation/plantation establishment and development
- Survey and identification of degraded watersheds
- Cooperative tree planting and nurturing activities
- Plantation maintenance and monitoring
- Maintenance of experimental and demonstration areas

Botanic Gardens, Parks, and Ecotourism Division

Offering the public an opportunity for nature education and outdoor recreation to enhance understanding, appreciation and conservation of mountain biodiversity

Major Activities:

- Makiling Botanic Gardens management and development
- Makiling Rainforest Park and ecotourism development
- Organization and conduct of ecotourism activities and special events (Make It Makiling; Makiling Trekathon; and Maquiling Quest)



External Linkages and Decision Support

Establishing database of Mount Makiling Forest Reserve, for linkages and collaboration for RDE projects

Major Activities:

- Linkage building
- Database Management
- Resource generation for RDE projects
- Promotion of MCME programs and projects

Protection and Regulation Unit

Executing plans and activities to project, regulate use, and uphold administrative control of the Mount Makiling Forest Reserve.

Major Activities:

- Forest patrolling and law enforcement
- Monitoring of special use permits and leased areas
- Multisectoral forest protection
- Boundary vegetative strip planting

