RECREATIONAL FACILITIES

- Swimming Pool - opens from 7am-6pm; Tuesday-Sunday. No lifeguard on duty.
- Multipurpose Court
- Jogging Paths, Nature Trails
- Camp James Yen - offers camping activities like pitching tents, boodle fights, obstacle games, bird-watching and bonfire. 10 rental tents available.
- Rec Room - entertainment lounge with KTV set, billiards and pingpong game area.

GUEST SERVICES
at the GAA Lobby Front Desk

- Transportation Services
- Mail & Courier Services
- Foreign Exchange Assistance
- Laundry Services
- Convenience Shop
- Photocopy/Printing Services
- Safekeeping of Valuables
- Secured WiFi Access
- Airline Booking Assistance

OUR STORY

IIRR was formally organized as an international development, training and research organization in the Philippines in 1961. Its founding father, Y.C. James Yen, and Trustees selected a 52-hectare training facility in Silang, Cavite dedicated for the re-education of the underprivileged and development workers around the globe. Recognized for exemplary work in Human Development, Peace and International Understanding, IIRR received the Ramon Magsaysay Award in 1986, repeating the honor bestowed to Dr. Yen in 1960. Today, IIRR is shaped by the lifework of Dr. James Yen - “to empower the communities to end poverty” through development programs in the fields of Food Security and Climate Smart Agriculture, Resilient Livelihoods and Disaster Risk Management.

OUR LOCATION

The James Yen Center occupies an area of 52 hectares along the boundaries of Silang and Dasmarinas in Cavite, Philippines and is about 39 kilometers south of Manila, approximately one and a half hour drive from the international and domestic airports.

MABUHAY AND WELCOME

For the next few days you will be our guest, we would like you to feel at home while away from your home. This information guide should familiarize you with how to do things while staying at the James Yen Center.

We hope your stay will be pleasant and fulfilling. The green and vibrant surrounding is perfectly suited for both indoor and outdoor activities like trainings, camping, team building and retreats. Take advantage of our relaxing and naturally cool hostels, cottages, and conference facilities. Savor fresh and delectable cuisines from our local farms and gardens. It is never too late to experience a healthy lifestyle at the James Yen Center.

COMMITMENT

Through your patronage, we are able to continue our developmental work that aims to empower the rural communities. We commit to use all reasonable skill, care and diligence to ensure your group’s event a great success.

DONATION

Should you wish to contribute to the James Yen Center facility and developmental programs, donation can be made through our IIRR Headquarters. We issue official receipt to acknowledge your generous donation.
IIRR Coordinates: 14.262974,120.976084

**CLIMATE AND WEATHER**

Philippines is hot and humid year-round. Though it can and does rain throughout the year, the wettest months are from June to November. The period from March to May is the hot, dry season, with temperatures ranging from 22°C to 36°C. The period from December to February is still part of the rainy season but there is less pronounced rains and is comparatively cooler with temperatures ranging from 22°C to 28°C. The average annual humidity is 77%. Silang is about 600 feet above sea level.

**ACCOMMODATION**

The James Yen Center has 64 Guestrooms and 6 Rental Cottages. All rooms are equipped with air-conditioning, hot & cold shower facility, and internet connectivity. Each guest is provided with towel and soap. Access to satellite television, drinking water and tea/coffee-making facility are available at the GAA Lobby. All guests and group bookings must register at the GAA Lobby to access room keys.

**44 Guestrooms**

- Single Room P950
- Twin Sharing Room P1,100
- Triple Sharing Room P1,250
- Cluster 4 Rooms - Triple Sharing P1,650

1. **German Agro-Action (GAA Hostel)**
   - 24 rooms, single-quad sharing

2. **Flame Tree Hostel**
   - 20 rooms, single- triple sharing

**20 Dormitory Rooms**

1. **Cypress Hostel**
   - Single Room P700
   - Quad Sharing P900

**4 Rental Cottages**

- **Cottage 2** - P5,450/night
  - 3BR, 2T&B, max. 15 persons
- **Cottage 3** - P5,450/night
  - 4BR, 1T&B, max. 15 persons
- **Cottage 8** - P5,450/night
  - 3BR, 2T&B, max. 15 persons
- **Cottage 6** - P6,000/night
  - 2BR, 1T&B, max. 4 persons (no cooking allowed)

**FUNCTION HALLS**

1. **YBS Hall** - up to 250 plenary seats
2. **RR Hall** - up to 100 plenary seats
3. **JJ Hall** - up to 70 plenary seats
4. **Pres. Pavilion** - up to 50 plenary seats
5. **Ping Shen** - up to 30 plenary seats
6. **Yen Boardroom** - up to 25 plenary seats
7. **Exhibit Room** - up to 20 plenary seats
8. **Classrooms (5)** - up to 6 plenary seats

**FOOD AND DINING SERVICES**

Meals are served at the Yen Dining Hall while snacks in areas near the assigned function halls.

- **BREAKFAST** : 7AM-9AM
- **AM SNACKS** : 10AM
- **LUNCH** : 11AM-1:30PM
- **PM SNACKS** : 3PM
- **DINNER** : 6:30PM-9:30PM

Meals are served either buffet, plate service, packed or at the YBS Lawn - al-fresco style! Kindly advise us for any dietary restrictions; i.e. Halal, Vegetarian prior to reservation.

The Yen Dining Hall practice the “clean as you go tradition” thus, we request our guests to bring their soiled plates, glasses/cups and utensils in the dishwashing area counter.

**LIVELIHOOD LEARNING SITES & DEVELOPMENT PARTNERS**

- George Sycip Bio Intensive Garden (BIG)
- Sustainable Livelihood Demonstration Sites
- Youth Development Program Learning Center
- International School for Sustainable Tourism
- Gourmet Farm
- PRRM Farm