

Finca Marta is a premier organic farm just outside Havana in the Artemisia Province.





As soon as we arrived at Finca Marta, the crew was loading the car with produce greens headed to restaurants in Havana.





The owner of Finca Marta is Fernandito Funes.





Fernandito Funes is the son of Fernando Funes, the Professor who provided our group with a lecture on sustainable farming while we were in Havana.





Our first visit on the farm tour was a deep water well. Fernandito was very proud of this well that took 7-months to dig and ended up over 110 feet deep.





Machado at age 70 was one of the workers digging the well.





The main portion of the farm is built on terraced raised beds.





Our group touring the farm.





The shade cover reduces light, but also provides protection from rain.





Much of the production in this area was leafy greens like types of lettuce.





Specialty greens.





Transplants were started under a protected environment.





Most of the transplants were grown  
in conventional Styrofoam flats.





Transplants were also grown in recycled drink cans.





The cans had punched  
drainage holes.





After the farm tour, we were treated to a Cuban barbecue.





Greens from the farm.





We finished our visit at the honey production area. Honey is an important product for the farm, because it can be exported.





Fernandito Funes discussed his stingless bees (meliponines) and honey production and marketing.





A close look at the hive shows the honeycomb and the receptacles for collected pollen.



Inside the bee hive.

