

# LOGBOOK - TAIWAN

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## Day one.

We arrived in Taipei at 17.40 and Wen's family drove us to Yilan.  
We ate millennial eggs, very particularly vegetables, noodles and ice cream.  
At the end we had a walk through Luo Dong market.

## Day two.. And it is still going..

I spent all day at the river with the other campers and our big ass taiwanese friends that are really cool and It has been really amazing.  
I met Cally the crazy Taiwanese girl that was with me at the Lions Camp Emilia.  
We took lot of pictures all together and, like in Modena we are #BreakingWalls.  
I ended my afternoon with a special walk through lots of dragonflies that were really bigger with my host-mum..  
And the day is still continuing.

Sooooo guys i know that you were waiting foor the **DAY THREE!**

After a very short stop in one supermarket (fuuuuull of noodles) we went to a cooking school and we prepared the onion cake (soooo good). While we were driving to Samsung geothermal we also tasted the bubbles tea. Special. It is a place full of hot spring pools (40°). In some pools we put our feet inside and in others we cooked vegetables and eggs.

We also visited a lake, we had a walk around it and it has been amazing. I love Taiwan's nature.

So, i had dinner with my host family and now i have like 15 minutes free before going outside together. Keep following me. ♥

Something else about day three..

Our host family brought us in a very special place whete you can see al the country of Ylian..

Really special. ♥

Guuuuys I was sutrouded by bearrrrrs. 😂

#### **Daaaaaay number 4!**

Goood evening guys.. Yes, goodevening because here is 21:45.

Soo, today we went to a farm where i gave looot of food to some goats (they were very hungry) and we tried a typical bread made with the goat's milk (veeery good and soft.) and the ice cream with beaaaaaanssss (very strangeee)

We had lunch in a restaurant where we had the chance to decide what we would like to eat and to boil it by ourselves, like Cooking Mama.

In the afternoon we wisited an amazing waterfall, a bakery full of activities for children, a dessert factory and a lake.

We spent all the evening at the Lou Dong night market where we run into the other big ass cool campers! ♥♥♥♥

And now I am at home, a little bit tired but satisfied for today.

I will write you tomorrow.

#### **Day 5.**

Good evening guuys! At the moment I'm sitting on a bas that is going to Taipei and I have like one hour to reach it sooo I have time to keep you up about my Taiwanese experiences.

Today we visited the Centre of Chinese Traditional Art, a sort of village full of little and typical shops and there is also a museum where you can learn the history of these arts (writing, working wood, enbroidering, working ceramic) and, inside the different shops you can try to do something like composing a bracelet, writing in chinese and lots of other different things.

I tryed to write in chinese but I have to practise more and to learn all of the rules that have to be followed.

In the afternoon we had a tour on the boat around the village and we visited a school of the 1877 for children, completetly different from ours but very bracing.

So guys, until now that's all.

Something else about Day 5 - GUUUUUYS I AM IN TAAAIPEEEEEEEEEIIIIIIIIII

I've never been to Time Square buuut IT IS SOOOOO AMAZING AND EXCITINGGGGG

#### **Try to guess.. DAY 6.**

So guys, goodevening. I am very tired and i am using my last energies to update you.

Today me, Chenny, Ping and Maren Jeske had a typical chinese breakfast, as you can see in the photo, and later we moved to Jioufen, an old part of Taipei really close to the Pacific Ocean. Really amazing. It is full of typical, little and cute shops and we spent all the day walking through its streets.

In the evening we came back in Taipei, had dinner in a typical Chinese restaurant and now we are relaxing at home.

So, goodnight, I have to charge myself for tomorrow 🙌🙌🙌

Hi guys! Forgive me if I'm in late but yesterday was my last day with my family and I decided to stay with them as much as I could.

Sooo **DAY 7** <--- Yes. 7. Wow. They really flew away.

Yesterday morning we really didn't be in hurry so, when we went outside (11:45) we decided to skip breakfast and to start our day with a huge bowl full of noodles and meat. We also didn't want to miss something so, after the noodles we ate one of the biggest ice cream that I have ever seen here in Taiwan (the photo proofs that). After all of these really good dishes, full of energies, we reached the Taipei city Concert, Hall and Theatre. These buildings are amazing, huge and unforgettable. Really I am still amazed by them.

Later we moved to the center of Taipei, really close to the 101 (the highest tower of Taiwan composed by 100 and 1 floors) and we had a walk through the most glamorous shops in the city. We reached the station and we returned to Ylian.

Has I wrote before the last evening was the last with my family so, I decided to cook for them some typical italian dishes.

We bought all the ingredients that I needed and, whit the irreplaceable help of Maren and Ping, we cooked spaghetti with tomato sauce, spaghetti with carbonara sauce and for ending our dinner in a sweet way, we also prepared my mother's grandmother's cookies.

My family loved everything!



After dinner we moved all together to an amazing place where you can see the Ocean and the country of Ylian really close to it. It is a breath-takin place.

After that we returned at home.

So guys, have a good day today!

**DAY 8** - So guuuuuuuuys I'm here again.

This morning was my last morning with my family and we went together to a garden party. Very particular. It's like a local fair, so lovely.

In the afternoon they drove me to the camp and i met again the other campers and we are a big ass group.

At 15 we learn how to write in chinese and it is really cool but, as i said before really difficult.

In the evening we moved to a restaurant and we met the Lions for the Opening ceremony and now we are at the camp, having lot of fun together.

I will write you again tomorrow. I am coming back to my cool campers.♥

Hiii guuys we are the **day number 9**. Yes 9.

So today we woke up together at 8n had breakfast at the camp at 9 and after we moved to a water park!!!

We spent all the morning inside the swimming pools and we tried all the different attractions that were there. Soooo funny and relaxing.

After had eaten the "taiwanese pizza" we drove a boat all together in a river really closed to the park.

After that we returned to the camp and we did barbecue all together.. If I can be honesty we are still doing it..

For today is all guys!

I will write you tomorrow!

**10°. TENTH. DECIMO.**

Yes guys today il the Tenth day here. Wow.

So today we started our day at 9 with the breakfast and later we moved in a camp where we played paintball all together, and, even if some of us has some red or purple memories about that I can assure you that it was really cool.

After that we change our residence and we had lunch all together.

In the afternoon we became tea-farmers: we dressed like them with their typical hat and we picked up the tea's leaves. We dried out them and now in our backpack there is a little bag full of green tea.

After that we ate a very bug and good ice-cream, we rested in our rooms and we had lunch at the "The date burger" a super-restaurant where you can find super-good burgers. I'm writing super, super because the restaurant is a fan of superman (look at the photos to discover why).

Now, full of food like the other day, we are spending time together in the living room of our new residence.

For today guy is everything. I'm coming back to the guys.

**Day 11.**

Gooood evening guys! So today we started our day at 9 with the breakfast. After we moved in a park where we played volleyball and soccer all together.

After taht we had lunch in our residence and, at 1.45 we moved to the firing range and, for 1 our and half all of us became a sniper. It has been amazing. Really weird but amazing. I tried 8 times and I struck 4 times the flying target so, I'm proud of myself.

We were so good that our leaders decided to reward us and we ate together an ice-cream, one of the best 10s in Taiwan.

We returned at "home" where the dumplings's ingredients were waiting for us and for 1 hour we became chefs.

We prepared, closed, cooked and ate them for dinner. Really funny and interesting.

Full of dumplings we moved to square full of people and we played all together the Qi Gong: is a holistic system of coordinated body posture and movement, breathing, and meditation used for



health, spirituality, and martial arts training. (Wiki: <https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Qigong>) and I really love it. Really. One of the best things that I have done here!!

Now we are at home, preparing our bag for spending 2 days in Taipei, tomorrow and the day after tomorrow.

I will keep you up tomorrow about Taipei!

I'M IN LAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAAATE

**Day 12.**

Guys I wrote something about yesterday this morning but I had a problem with Facebook and it didn't publish it. Damn.

So yesterday, after breakfast, we moved to Taipei and first of all we visited the National Palace Museum of Taipei. Really interesting.

After that, we went in a "not Italian" but Taiwanese restaurant for having lunch and we ate different kind of Taiwanese pasta.

In the afternoon we had a walk and we took a boat for reaching the other side of Taipei.

There we: rented a sort of bike (I don't know their name in English), raced with them, danced the typical Turkish dance in the street, walked along the shore, watched the sunset all together. Really, yesterday has been my favourite day here at the camp.

After that we return to "our side" of Taipei and we moved to the biggest night market of Taiwan: Shilin night market. We had lunch there and we walked through its street. And this experience has

been amazing because we completely lost ourselves in the Taiwanese atmosphere. Really completely unforgettable.

After that at 11.46PM we return at the residence and we went to bed.

When I wrote this post the first time this morning I was inside the... Check the post about today!  
Have a good day!

### **Day 13.**

Sooooo I'm still here.

Today, after breakfast we visit the highest tower in Taiwan: the Taipei 101. It has 101 floors and is higher more than 388 meters.

And the view guys, wow, is breath-taking.

After that we return to Yilan and we visited a Chinese typical temple called: Tudi gong miao -> The temple of the Terrain and later we went to the reunion of the 300F district in Taiwan where we met the president of the district.

And now we are in our room because tomorrow we have to wake up at 5:00.

So, good night guys.

Have a good day tomorrow.

Oh my God.

### **Day 14°, 15°, 16°**

Guys these days have been amazing and, I didn't have the wife because we were camping all together but.. Let's start from the

### **-DAY 14°**

We woke up at 5, took the train at 6.20 and arrive to the rafting centre at 11.00.

We had lunch really early (11.45) and, at 12.45 we started rafting on the river until the Pacific Ocean.

Guys, arriving there took like 4 hours and when we arrived all of us were really tired but the landscapes, the laughs and the time that we spent together are unforgettable. ♥

When we arrived at the Ocean we stopped, had a shower and had dinner all together in a place really close from where we arrived.

Aaaaaand, at 18.30 we left the restaurant and we went fishing for all the night and the Ocean guys, wow, I was really hypnotized by it. And when we were completely far from the harbour and we can just see the waves of the sea I understood that I had really missed it a lot.

After that we returned at the restaurant, ate what we caught and slept in a place really close to the restaurant.

### **-DAY 15°**

We woke up at 8.30 and we return to Yilan at 13, we had lunch with a wonderful cup of noodles and we moved to the place where we camped. We prepared the dinner (barbecue), we presented our country to the other campers and to the Lions, we watched the stars and wow, they are really a lot, and we slept in the tents.

### **-DAY 16°**

This morning guys I woke up at 6:30 completely swetted because our tents had been put in the sun so, all of us woke up completely swetted and you should have seen our face.. Wow, not the perfect "good-morning" face. I put my sleeping bag outside the tent, in the garden and I slept for 30 minutes more but.. It was really hot.

At 9.30 we went to a place where we rented the boards for surfing and, at 10 we start. And surfing guys wow! Is amazing. I reached to stay standing up after a lot of attempts and is amazing.. You really feel yourself totally free. I am still excited!

In the afternoon, after lunch, we made the "taiwanese pizza", we moved the last camp residence and now we are sitting all together around a table and we having the last dinner here at the camp of Taiwan 2017 "Ancient trees and Pacific Ocean" ♥

I return to my campers.

Have a good day tomorrow.

**Day 17.**

Good night guys so, today we woke up at 9, had breakfast, took the last "group photo" together and, all of us went to his/her new host family. The camp is finished. But the campers will always be campers.

Me and Franziska Klage went to the new family and it is really nice and kind. We had lunch and in the afternoon we met some of the other campers and we played bowling and had a walk together. After that we had dinner all together and now we are relaxing at home.

For today is everything guys.



**Day 18 ICE SKATING DAY.**


Yes guys, ice skating.

This morning me and Franziska Klage woke up at 8 and left for Taipei at 9.45 with Abby Hsieh and Helen, our host sister.

We arrived to the Taipei Zoo (that is 103 years old) and we visited it until the lunch (pandaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaaa 🥰🥰🥰).

We arrived at the centre of Taipei and there we had lunch.

After we moved to a place where we skated on the ice for all the afternoon. It has been my third time on the ice and guys, wow, the first minutes were really complicated.

We had dinner in Ylian with our host family and later we reached the other guys  and spent the evening with them.

Now we are at home again.

Good night guys. Have a good day tomorrow.

### Day 19. Day of BREATH-TAKIN VIEWS.




Gooood evening!

So, this morning me and the other guys left ours homes at 10.30 and reach and amazing place on the top of a mountain where you can see all the city of Ylian. Unfortunately today was a foggy day so, we were just completetly surrounded by the fog and the sensations is really wired. You don't have reference points and you could feel lost but we were all together so, everything was ok.

After that we had lunch in a bar far from the first place but also on a mountain and, from its terraces we saw all the city and it is really amazing. Check the pictures!

In the afternoon we relaxed together at Jessica's home because tonight we are going to sleep at the sea because tomorrow we want to see al together the sunrise.

So we had dinner, we went to the supermarket for buying something to eat this night and now we are preparing our things for this night! I'm so electrified!!!!!!!!!!

Tommow I will update you as always since I have been here!!   

Have a good day!

### Day 20. -3 Days.

Hi guys.

Yesterday the day didn't ended at 23.59 but it ended at 6:35 of today because, after dinner we went together at the beach and we waited the sunrise.

And, at 4:45 the Sun started to come and it was really unforgettable.

That has been my first time. I've never seen the sunrise from the beach before and it is a show that you can't describe. All of us were without words for like 15 minutes and we just saw the Sun came. Really really really unforgettable. It has been onether special moment here in Taiwan, one of my favourite.

At 6:30 we came back home and at 6.35 I was sleeping.

Me and Franziska Klage woke up at 13 and went also with Helen at 14 outside for having lunch by bike.





After that i spent the afternoon with Helen through the shops of the night market for buying the last presents and then we came back home.  
I relaxed for like 30 minutes and then we prepared ourselves for the last dinner together with all the campers and the host families.  
It was really nice. We are a special group and, all the guys will always be special for me.  
After dinner we played billiard untill 23:30 and now all of us is at his home and maybe is sleeping.  
Here is 1:17. I also have to go to sleep.  
Have a good day tomorrow.

### Day 21, -2 NOODLE-SPAGHETTI-NOODLE DAY

Hi guys!

This morning me and Franziska Klage started the day with a cup of noodles.

Later we went to the supermarket and bought everything for making the italian pasta with tomatoes and carbonara and we cooked them for lunch.

We were 9 and I cooked 1,5Kg of pasta. Competetly finished. Wow.

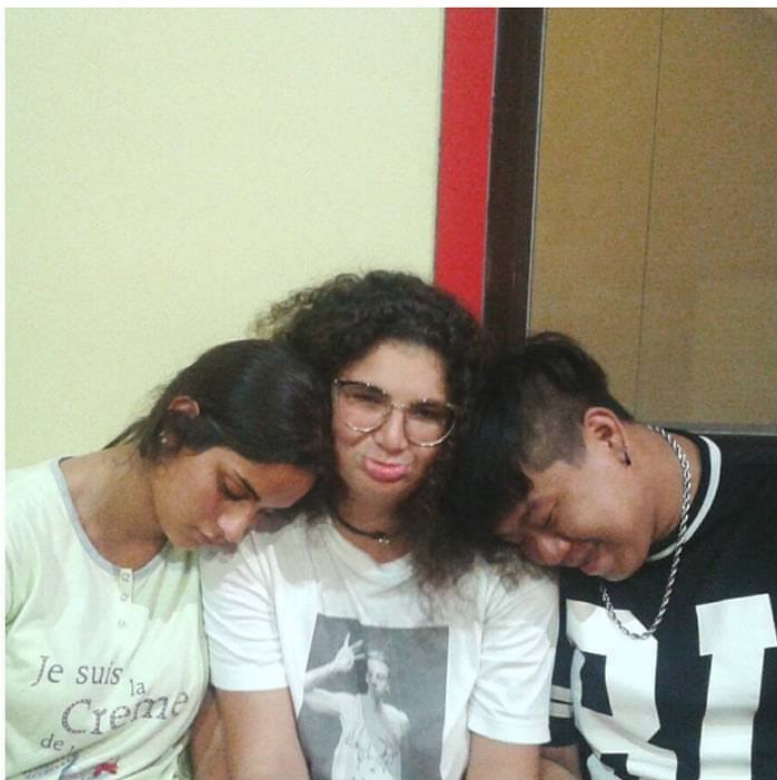
After me Franzi, Maren Jeske and Mary Pierri relaxed ourselves in the swimmingpool for one hour and we reached the other guys under a bridge were they fished.

We met the first day under a bridge were we made the barbecue all together and today the we started to end this experience under a bridge. ❤️🇹🇷🇩🇪🇮🇹🇪🇺

We had dinner all together with amazing Japanese noodles and we spent the evening in a bar where we played cards, drank and had fun together.

Now we are at home again waiting for tomorrow morning.

Have a good evening guys. 🍷



**Day 22** - And then, there are people that leave you an unforgettable mark that will stay with you for all of your life.

The only thing that you can do when you run into them is trying to do your best to meet them again and let them sign you another time.

Day 22. Wow. Last full day here. 😭😭😭

So guys this morning the amazing Gangster (friend here in Taiwan, is not a real gangster!!!) came and drove me and Franzi to Sam's home. There the fantastic Alihan Erdem cooked for us a typical Turkish breakfast and it was really good. ❤️🇹🇲🇮🇹🇩🇪🇦🇮

After that we relax for one hour and then we reached a place through the mountains where we stayed for all the afternoon keeping our foot in the river's water.

It has been really good and relaxing: the sun, the wind, the sound of the water in the river, the cold water, friends, laughings...

Yes it was wonderful.

Later we had dinner all together also with the others campers and leaders in Ylian and then we had to start with the goodbyes.

Maren Jeske left us at 19.20. She was my first room-mate here and i really hope to have the chance to meet her again, maybe in German 'cause I've never been there! 🙏😭🇩🇪

Later we moved in a park where we spent time together and, at the end of the night I had to say goodbye to Abby Hsieh, Bugra and to the fantastic Alihan. I hope for them the best and I will keep the promess that I have made with one of them. ❤️🇹🇲🇮🇹🇩🇪

I really miss these guys. Without them, wow, I can't imagine this experience without them.

So guys, good night, I will write tomorrow the last post from Taiwan. 🙏❤️🇹🇲



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