# Cork Forest Conservation Alliance

Introduction,
Mission and Programs

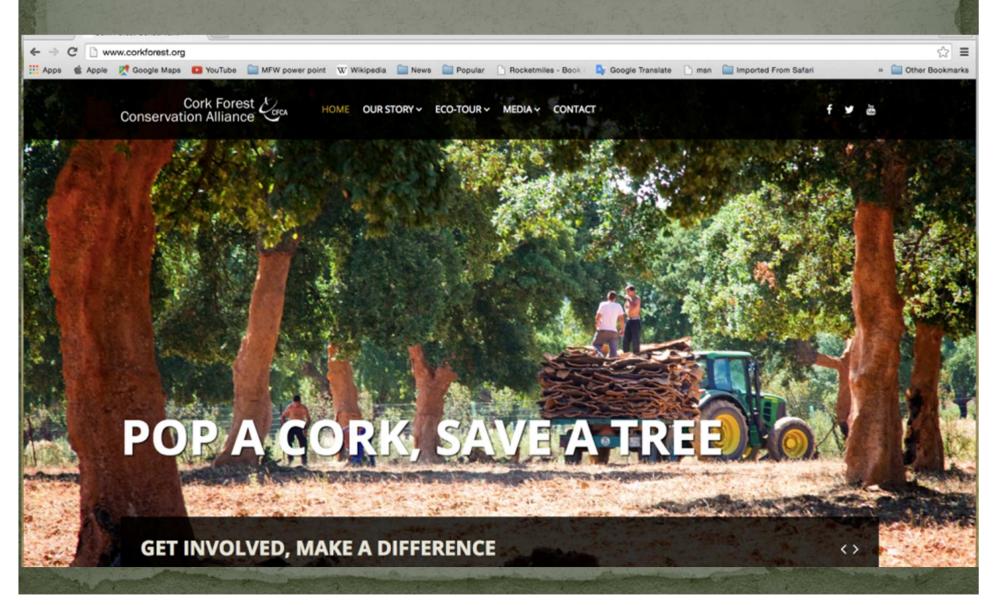


- Established 2008
- NGO status granted 2009
- Cork ReHarvest Natural Cork Recycling Program
- 2010 Memberships: FSC, ASECOR, IPROCOR CQC
- 2012 Consultative status U.N. Eco-Soc
- 2014 TED Talk

#### Mission:

- The Cork Forest Conservation Alliance campaigns globally for the protection and preservation of the Mediterranean cork forests, its inhabitants and biodiversity, through education, direct action, and partnerships with communities, businesses and governments.
- We believe that teaching and promoting sustainability is the best way to systematically approach and solve the many complex environmental challenges facing society today.

### CFCA Website



## Programs: Cork ReHarvest

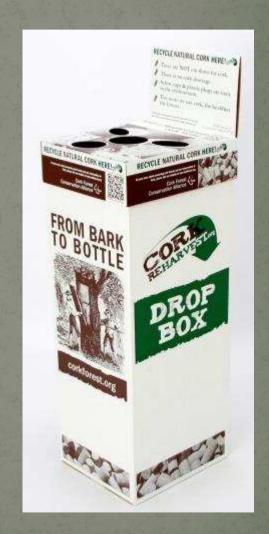
The largest natural cork recycling program in North America.

- Primary focus Education
- Over 1,000 cork "drop off" locations.
- Whole Foods Market 396 stores, the worlds largest organic/natural foods grocery store.
- 2014 90718.5 kg, (20 million) corks collected
- 2015 Cork Forest Eco-Tour of Spain

#### Collection Bin's in Over 1000 Locations







## Cork Forest Eco-Tour Spain

- "From Bark to Bottle"
- The First and Only Tour of it's Kind in North America
- 11 Day tour of 3 distinct cork forest regions
- Limited to 40 tourists, each year
- Tour Goals:
- Education
- Emotional Investment
- Economic support
- Forest Conservation

#### New York Times Feature Article

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TRAVEL

In Spain, an Eco-Tour That Follows Cork From Tree to Bottle

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Harvesting the bark of a cork tree. Jordana Wright

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## Programs in Development

- Establish partnership programs with NGO's and Governments in all 7 countries to implement:
- Reforestation projects
- Economic Development
- Tourism
- Social Awareness
- Establish Field Office in EU