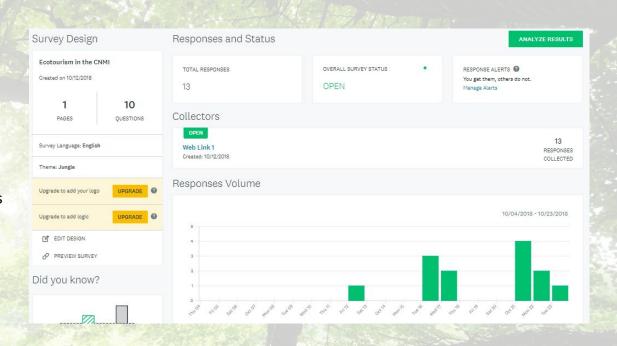
Research Conclusion: Discovering the importance of Ecotourism in the CNMI

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Approach

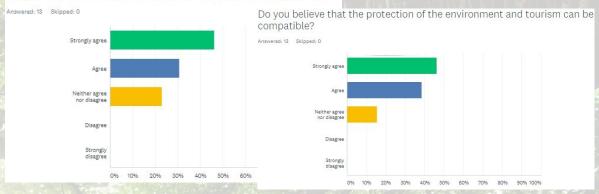
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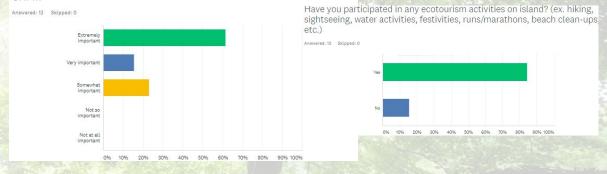
Major Findings

- Most of the respondents (92%)
 do not work in a tourist
 supported business.
- 46% of the respondents strongly agree that local culture, protection of the environment, and tourism can coexist.
- More than half (61%) believes that ecotourism is important for the future.
- 84% of the respondents were involved in ecotourism activities.
- Renovating La Fiesta is a famous suggestion for a viable ecotourism development.

Do you believe local culture and tourism can be compatible?



How important do you think ecotourism is likely to be for the future of the CNMI?



It is extremely important because people shouldn't come to the island with little to no respect for the environment and the well-being of its inhabitants. Ecotourism can probably shine more light on how beautiful the island or place is and maybe even have them fight or reconsider certain actions that may degrade the environment

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Renovating LaFiesta could be a great sustainable development. The building has been left abandoned for years now and it would be great to put it to use. Rebuilding or renovating LaFiesta could prevent future companies to have to build infrastructures in already crowded areas/places.

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Ending Notes

- Research Question: What are the most viable ecotourism developments in the CNMI?
 - Renovate abandoned buildings
 - Maintain nature
 - Regulate policies