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## Organic Farming and Organic Fruit Orchard

The Ranch's retreat center facilities attract multidisciplinary workshops from around the world. See website: [www.synergiaranch.com](http://www.synergiaranch.com)

Synergia Ranch, comprising 135 acres southeast of Santa Fe, NM, at an elevation of 6200 ft (1900 metres), is the Institute of Ecotechnic's oldest established project, and its U.S. headquarters. The ranch's traditional-style adobe buildings, courtyards, gardens, shop, and 50' (15m) diameter dome sit at the center of a now beautiful oasis in the desert. It attracts multidisciplinary workshops from around the world. Synergia Ranch is also the home of the Laboratory Biosphere closed ecological system research facility.

Synergia Ranch in Santa Fe, New Mexico serves as the headquarters of Global Ecotechnics Corporation and also the site of the current work of Biospheric Design on Laboratory Biosphere, a closed ecological system, a research facility and wastewater gardens. The ranch also houses the offices of Synergetic Press.

One acre of vegetable gardens and 400 fruit trees (apples, peaches and pears) provide organic produce to the Santa Fe community. Synergia Ranch Organic Fruits and Vegetables supplies vegetables and fruit to: the Food Depot, the La Montanita Coop, Beneficial Farms CSA, retailers in Santa Fe and Albuquerque and at the Santa Fe Farmers Market.

Each year, we accept volunteers from the WWOOF (Worldwide Opportunities on Organic Farms) program and people who come to us independently. Volunteers learn all aspect of farming and orchardry and also participate in the overall ecological restoration of the Ranch which was originally quite overgrazed and degraded.

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### Details

**Ages:** All ages

**Genders:** All

**Intake Process:** Email

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### Services

Employment & Training   Environmental Protection & Improvement   Educational Programs  
Volunteering

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### Locations

### Synergia Ranch

*1 Blue Bird Ct.  
Santa Fe, NM 87508*

**Phone:** (505) 424-0237

**Geographic Area Served:** Santa Fe County

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## **Parent Organization**

### **Institute of Ecotechnics**

Institute of Ecotechnics (I.E.) develops and applies innovative approaches to harmonizing technology and the global biosphere. The discipline of *ecotechnics* integrates two complementary fields of study: the 'ecology of technics' and the 'technics of ecology'. Institute of Ecotechnics was formed in 1973 to initiate and develop the new discipline of Ecotechnics, which intends to harmonise ecology & technology by means of hands-on educational programmes and the research & development of demonstration projects and products.

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