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## **EXPRESS YOURSELF**





This is one of my favorite pictures that I've ever taken. During a vacation, I took this picture while on a hike in a tropical island and I was enamored with the breathtaking views of the coast, so I decided to snap a picture. My love of nature is central to my identity and well-being, and this location that is pictured is my favorite hike that I've ever been on. I've done countless hikes, but this one stood out to me because of just how close I was to the coast, and yet the trail I was on engulfed you within a forest. The contrast between the lush and dense forest and that of the coastal beach was something I've never seen until that point. Being outside in nature and going on hikes provides me with a level of peace and serenity that is unmatched by anything else. This picture especially resonates with me because of how in awe I was with my surroundings, and the uniquely uplifting emotions I felt at this place are palpable till this day.