



PURA on the web

A step-by-step walkthrough of the desktop app: dictionary, plants, plant identification, games and your account.

Works in any modern browser on a laptop or desktop

WELCOME

What PURA does

PURA keeps living knowledge from the Bribri and Ngäbere communities of Costa Rica and Panamá within reach: words with real voices, plants with their uses, and games to practise.



Dictionary

Bribri and Ngäbere words with a photo, IPA, part of speech, and recordings in the native language, English and Spanish.



Plants

The plants of the region with their scientific and Spanish names, type, climate, and every use with its preparation.



Identify

Upload a photo of a leaf, flower, fruit or bark and get the closest species matches with a confidence score.



PURA Cards

Flashcards and matching games built from words that have a picture and all three recordings.



Favorites

Save words and plants with the heart. They are stored on your account, so they follow you to the phone app.



My Account

Your profile, interface language, default dictionary language, and your favorites in one place.

Getting access

PURA on the web is for members. Accounts are invite-only, so ask the PURA team for a login if you do not have one yet.

Open pura-web-softx.vercel.app in Chrome, Safari, Firefox or Edge. Nothing needs to be installed.

Two interface languages

Every screen is available in **English** and **Español**. You pick one on your first visit and can switch at any time with the EN ES toggle in the top-right corner.

The dictionary content itself is always Bribri or Ngäbere, with English and Spanish translations.

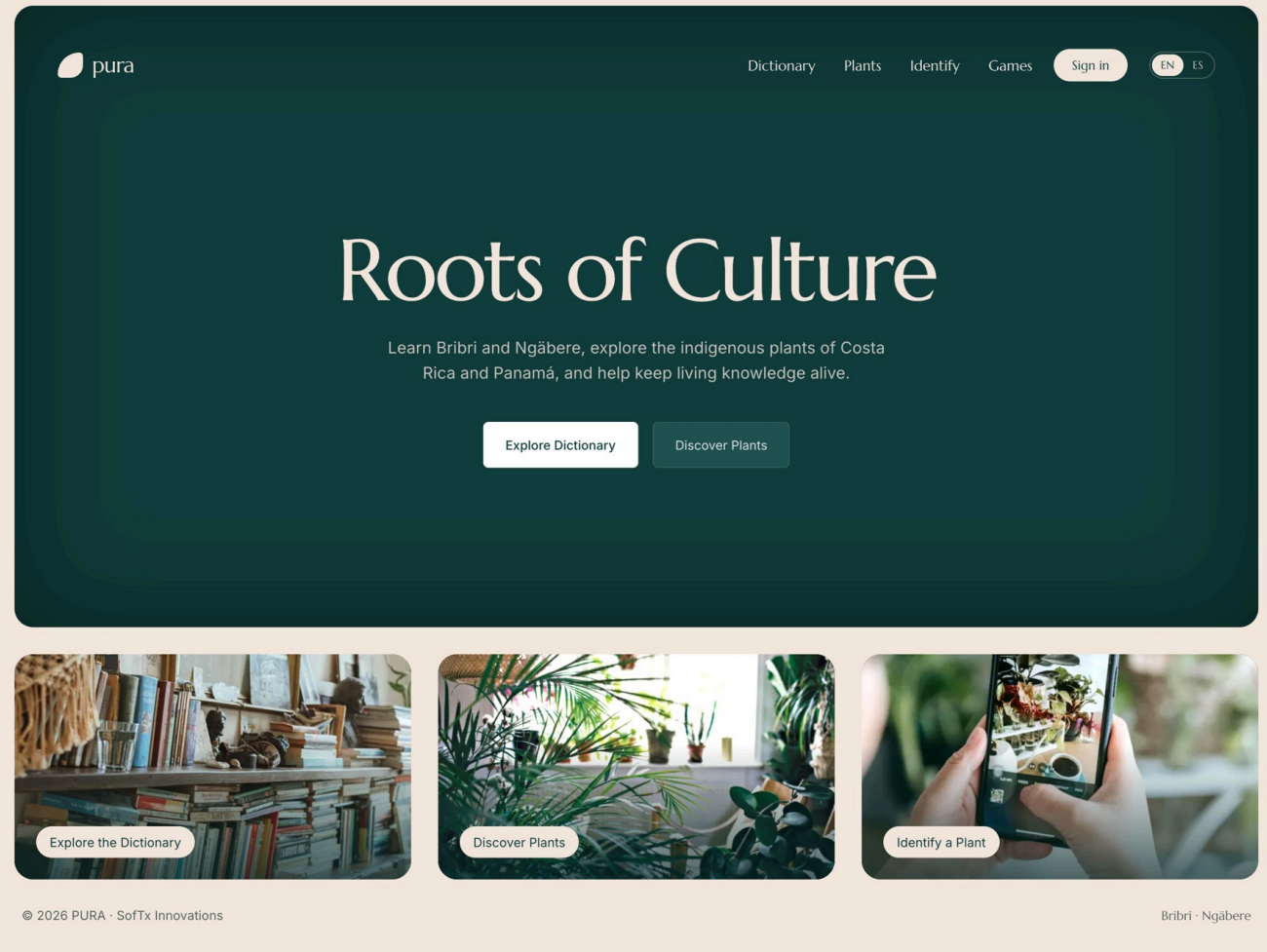
GETTING STARTED

The home page

This is the first page you see. Everything in PURA is one click away from here.

- 1 **Navigation.** Dictionary, Plants, Identify and Games are always in the top bar.
- 2 **Sign in.** The button in the top-right corner opens the login page. Once you are signed in it shows your first name instead.
- 3 **EN / ES.** Switches the interface language on every page.
- 4 **Explore Dictionary / Discover Plants.** Jump straight to the two main sections. If you are not signed in yet, PURA asks you to sign in first and then brings you back.

Tip: the three photo cards at the bottom of the page open the same sections as the top bar.

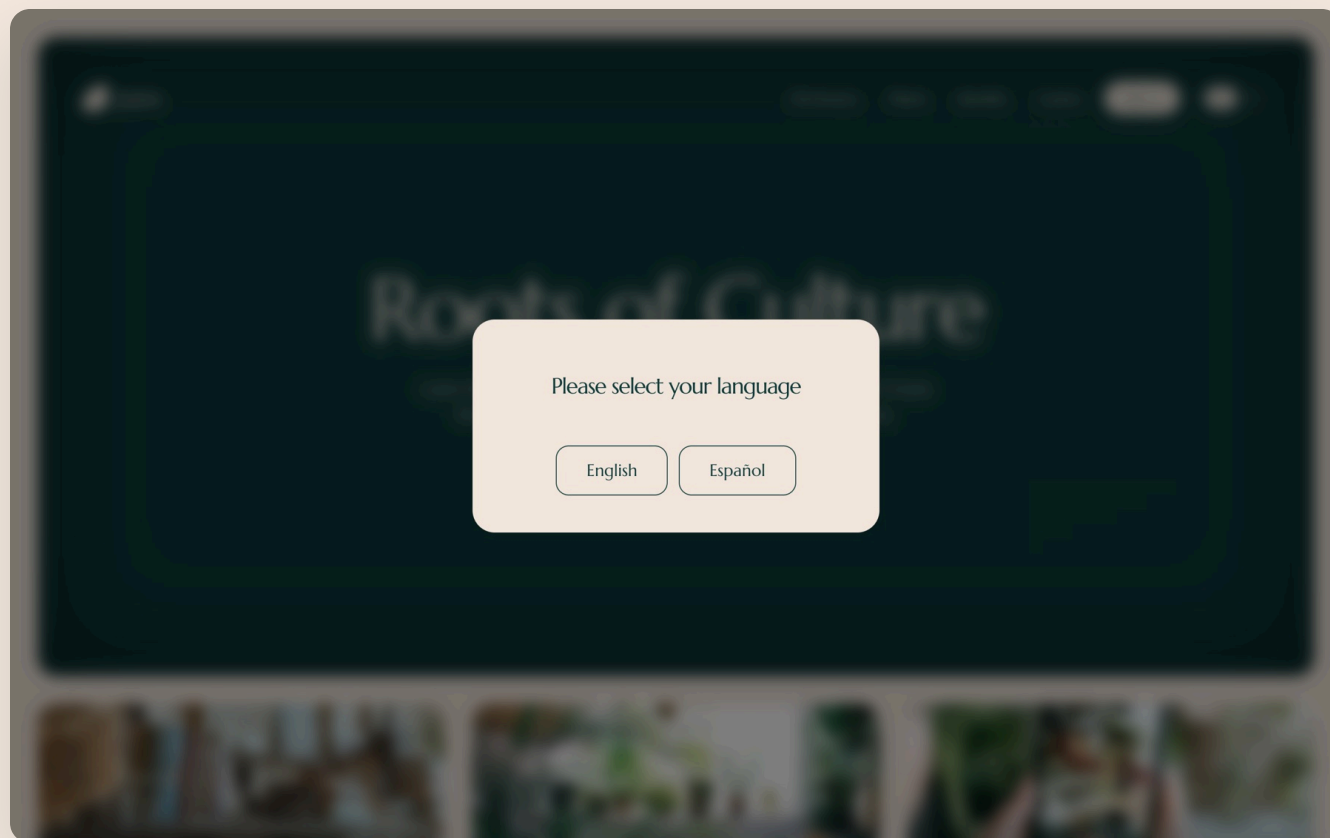


GETTING STARTED

Choose your language

On your very first visit PURA asks which language you want to read the app in.

- 1 **Click English or Español.** This sets the language of menus, buttons and messages.
- 2 **It does not change the dictionary:** Bribri and Ngäbere are always available with English and Spanish translations.
- 3 **Changed your mind?** Use the EN ES toggle in the top-right corner at any time. Your choice is remembered on this computer.



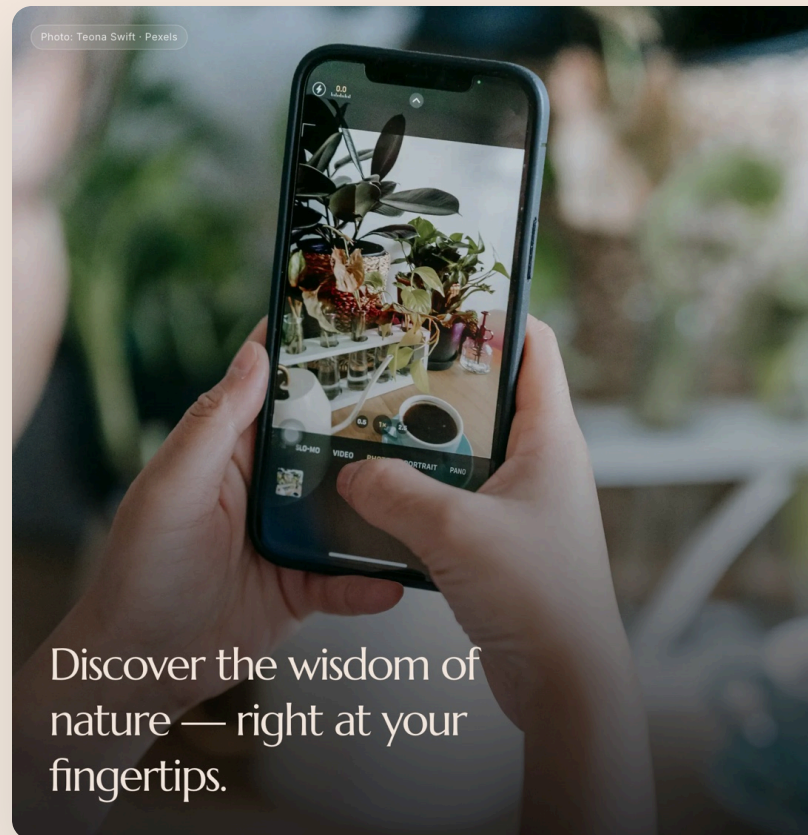
GETTING STARTED

Sign in

Everything except the home page is for members, so you sign in once and stay signed in on this computer.

- 1 **Enter the email and password** the PURA team gave you and click **Sign In**.
- 2 **If the details are wrong** you see "Invalid email or password." Check for typos and try again.
- 3 **After signing in** you land on the page you were trying to open, or on **My Account**.

No public sign-up. Accounts are created by the PURA team. Contact them to request access or to reset a password.



Sign in to your account

EMAIL

PASSWORD

Sign In

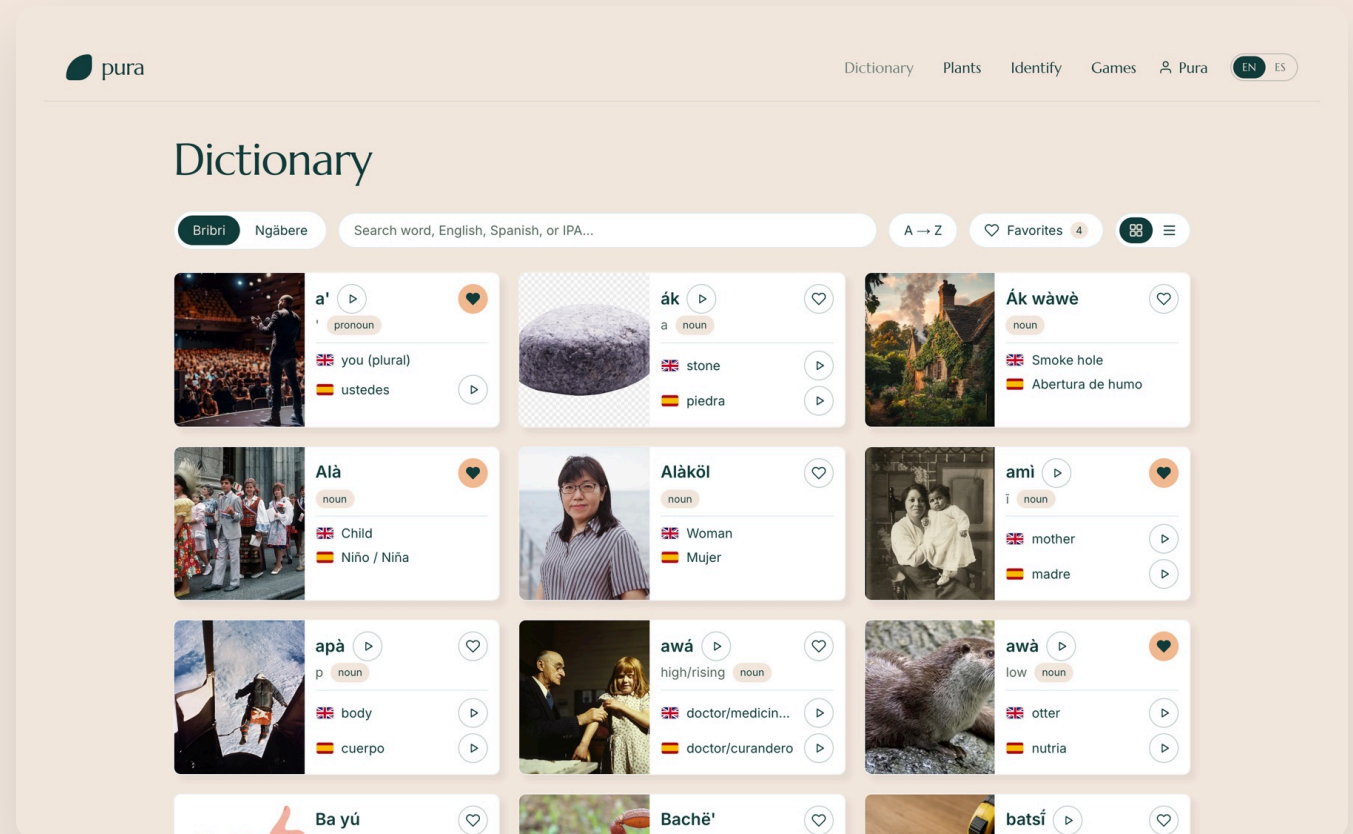
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DICTIONARY

Browse the dictionary

Every word is a card with its photo, pronunciation and translations. Click a card to open the full details.

- 1 Bribri / Ngäbere.** Switch the dictionary language. Each language has its own set of words.
- 2 Search.** Type part of a word in the native language, English, Spanish, or its IPA transcription. Results update as you type.
- 3 A → Z.** Click to flip between alphabetical and reverse order.
- 4 Favorites.** Shows only the words you have saved; the badge counts them (see “Favorites” further on).
- 5 Grid / list.** Choose picture cards or a compact table.
- 6 On each card:** the word, its IPA and part of speech, then the English and Spanish translations. ▶ plays a recording, ♡ saves the word.

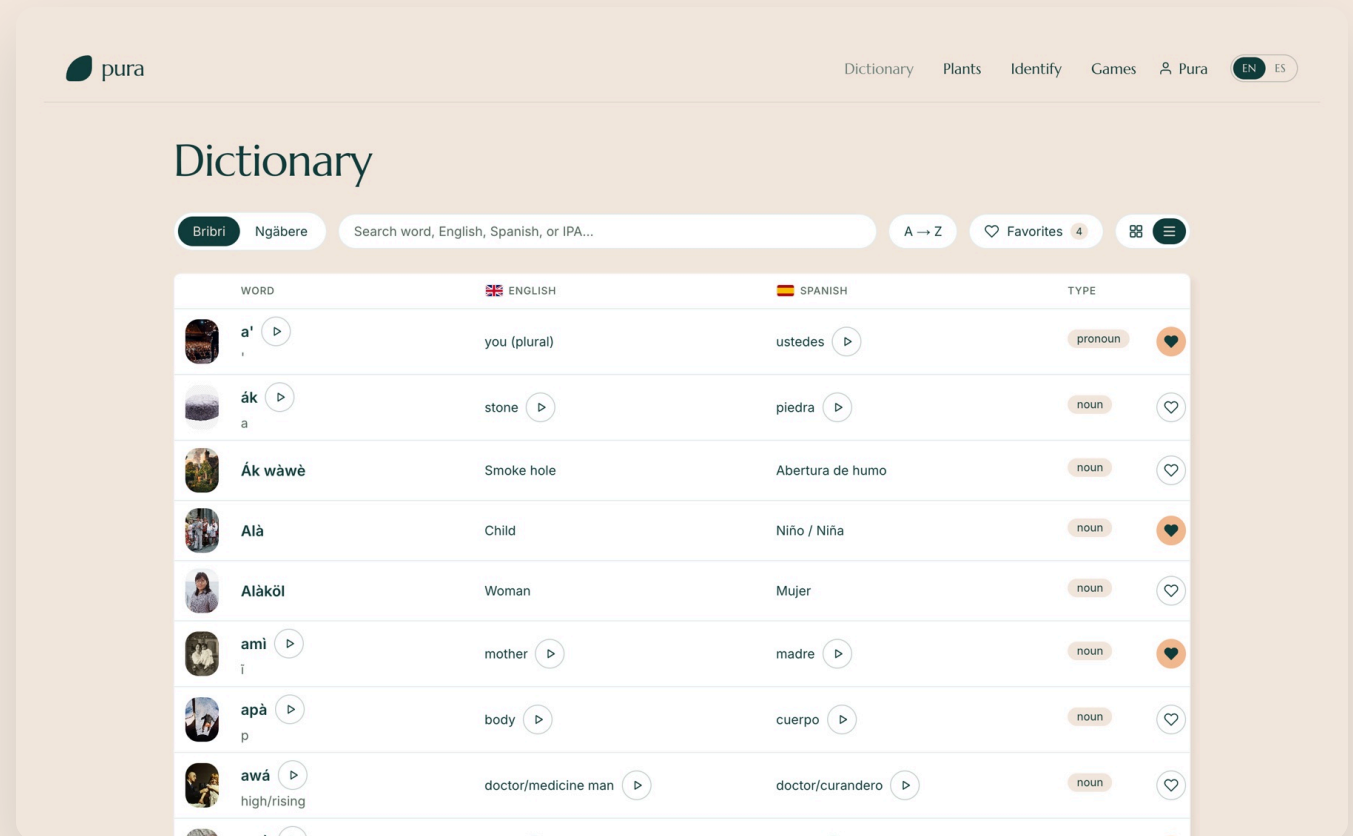


DICTIONARY

List view

The list icon turns the same words into a table, which is handy when you want to scan many words at once.

- 1 **Columns:** thumbnail, word with its IPA underneath, English, Spanish, type and the favorite heart.
- 2 **► buttons** sit next to every translation that has a recording. Click a row anywhere else to open the details.
- 3 **Your choice of grid or list** is remembered the next time you open the dictionary on this computer.



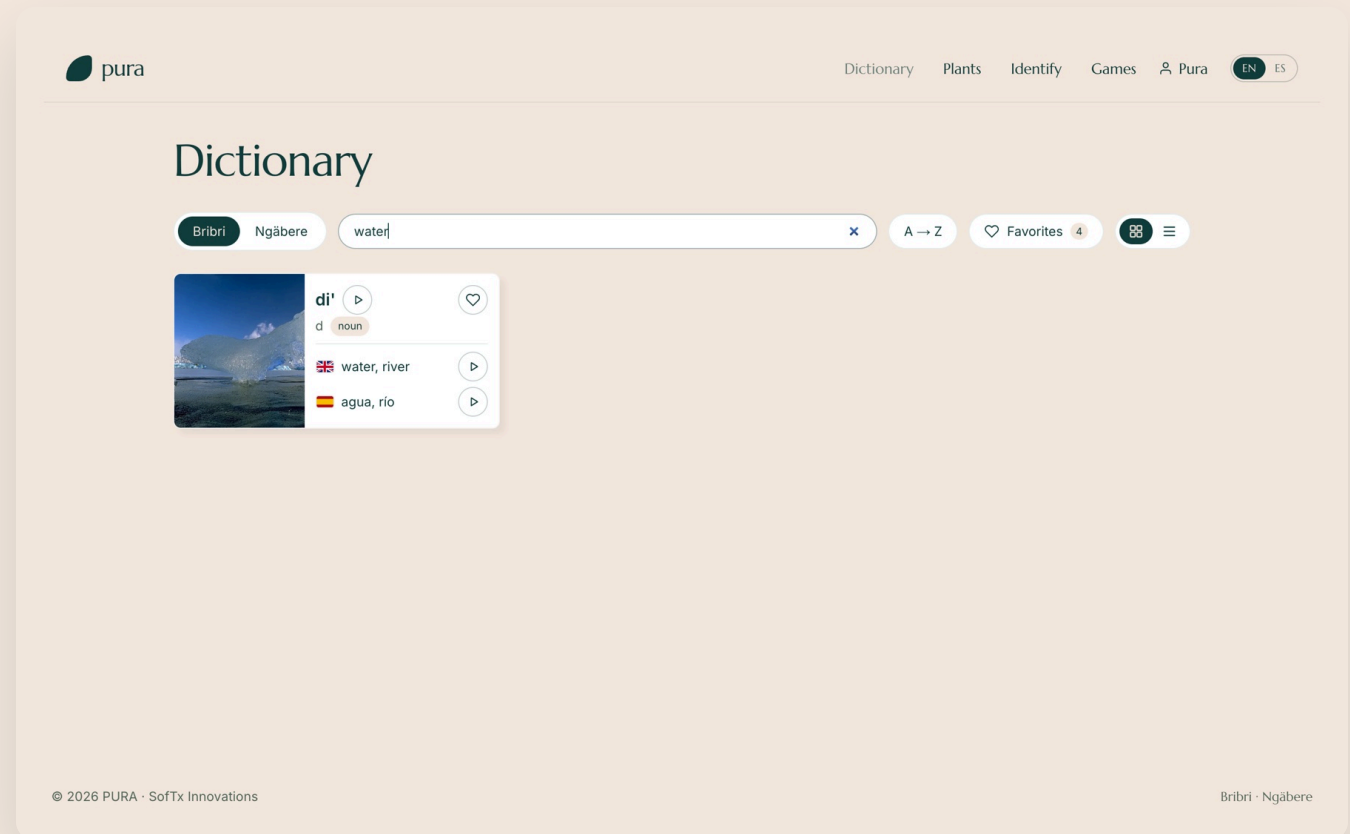
DICTIONARY

Search in any language

You do not need to know the native spelling. Searching “water” finds <i>di'</i>, because the English and Spanish translations are searched too.

- 1 **Start typing in the search box;** the cards filter immediately.
- 2 **Search covers** the native word, the English translation, the Spanish translation and the IPA.
- 3 **Click the x** inside the box (or **Clear search** when nothing matches) to see all words again.

Search only looks at the language that is selected. Switch to Ngäbere to search those words.

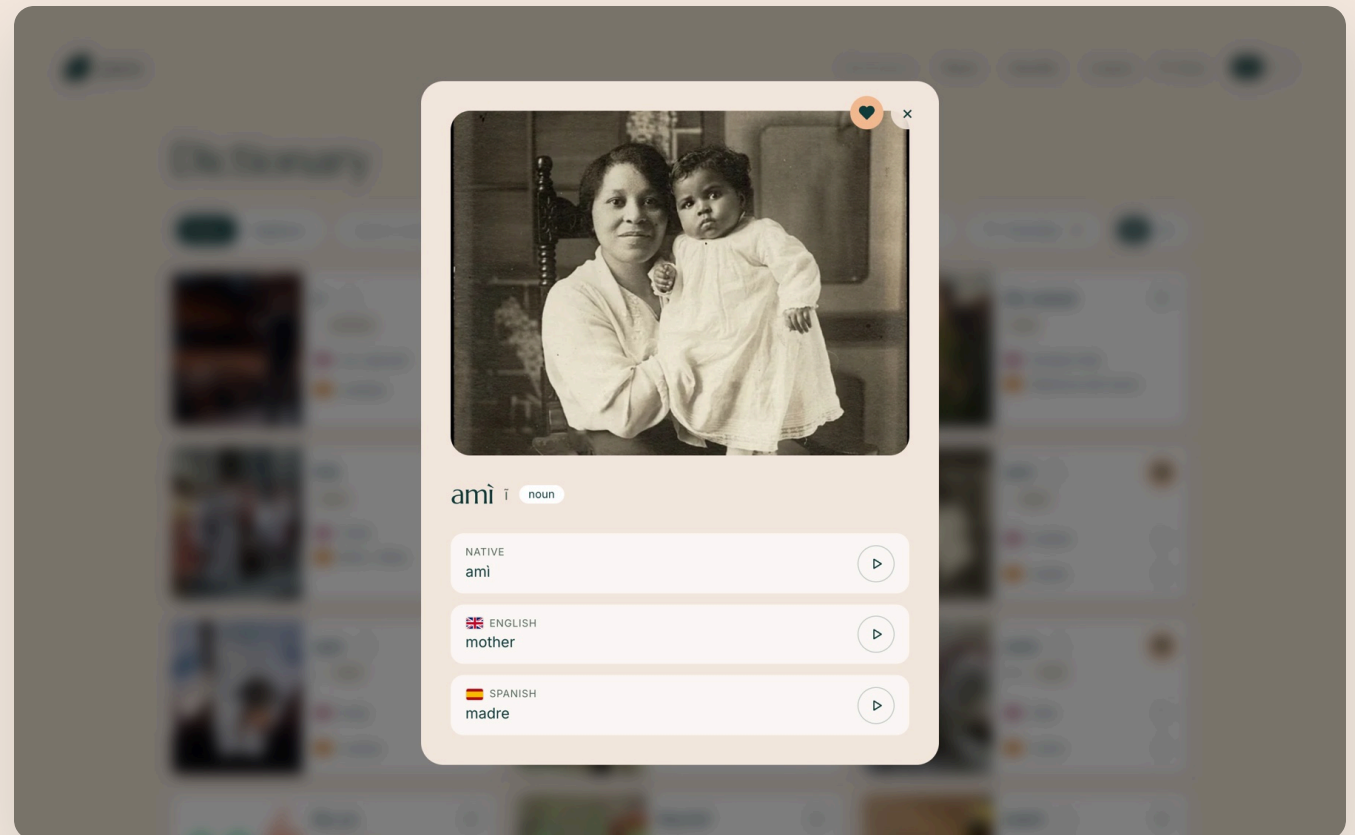


DICTIONARY

Word details

Click any card or row to open the word in a large panel.

- 1 **The photo at full size**, then the word, its IPA and part of speech.
- 2 **Three rows:** Native, English and Spanish. Each row with a recording has a ► button, so you can hear the word in all three languages.
- 3 **The heart in the top corner** saves or unsaves the word without leaving the panel.
- 4 **Words with extra notes** show them under the translations.
- 5 **Close with x**, the **Esc** key, or by clicking outside the panel.



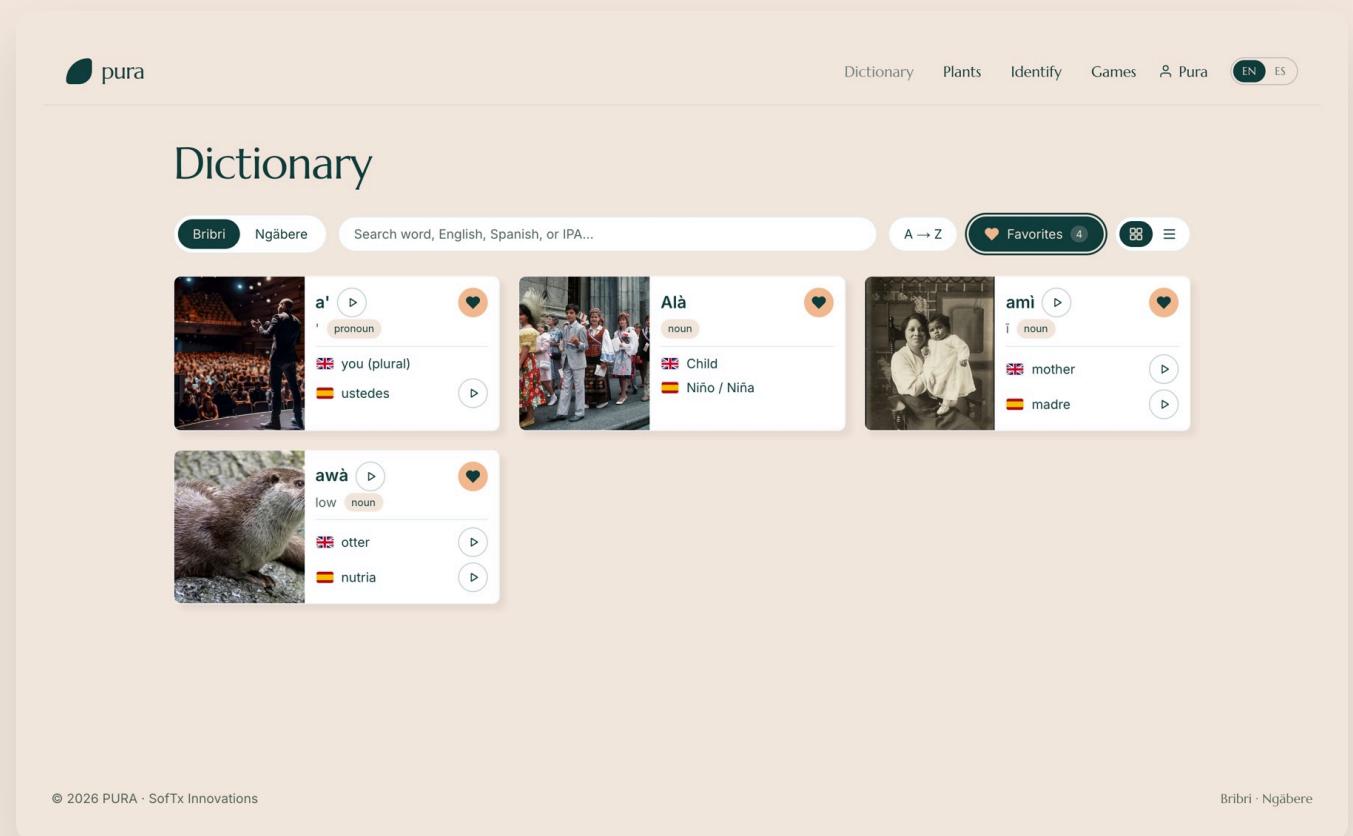
DICTIONARY

Favorites

Keep the words you are learning in one place. Favorites are saved on your account, so they also appear in the phone app and in My Account.

- 1 Save a word.** Click the ♥ on a card, in the list, or inside the word details. A saved word shows a filled heart on a peach disc.
- 2 Show only favorites.** Click the **Favorites** button in the toolbar. The number on it tells you how many words you have saved in this language.
- 3 Combine with search and sort.** They keep working inside your favorites.
- 4 Back to all words.** Click **Favorites** again, or **Show all words** if the list is empty.
- 5 Remove a word.** Click its filled heart. It disappears from the favorites list right away.

New in this release. Favorites used to be visible only on the account page. Now you can save and review them right inside the dictionary.

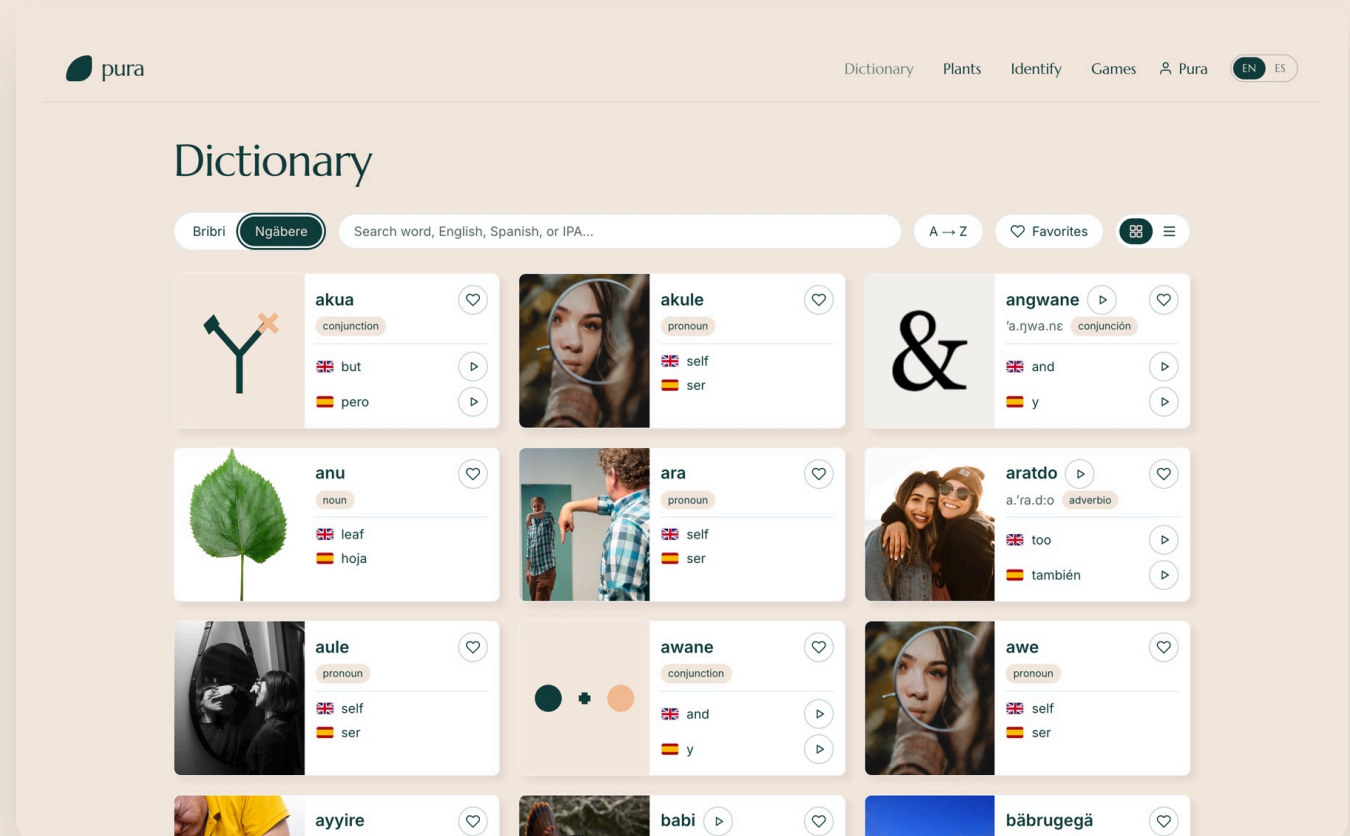


DICTIONARY

Switch to Ngäbere

The Bribri / Ngäbere toggle swaps the whole dictionary. Search, sort, favorites and the grid or list choice all work the same way.

- 1 **Click Ngäbere (or Bribri)** in the toolbar. The word count, favorites badge and search results now refer to that language.
- 2 **Some grammar words**, such as conjunctions and pronouns, use a simple illustrated card instead of a photo.
- 3 **Your preferred dictionary language** can be set once in **My Account**, and it is used by the phone app too.



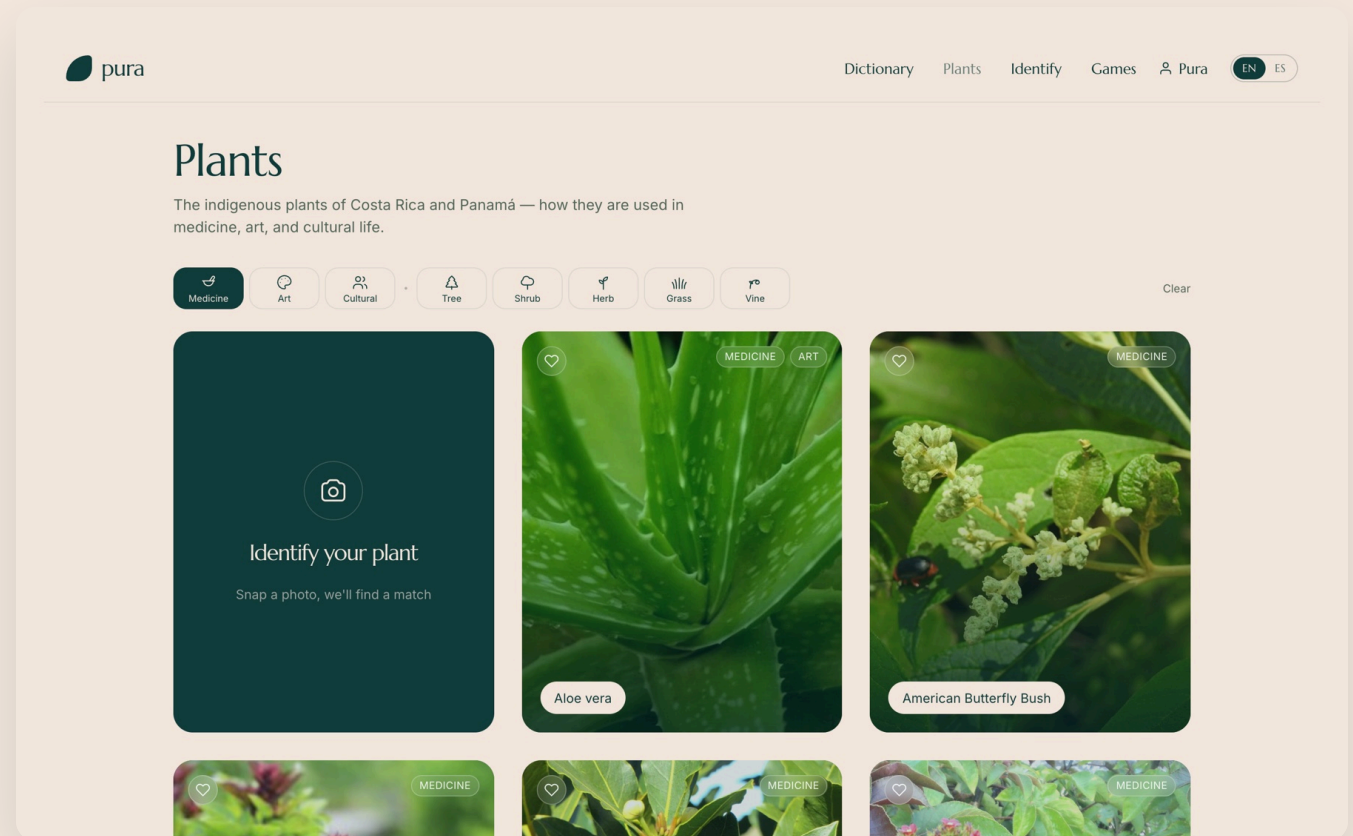
PLANTS

Explore the plants

The plant catalogue shows how each plant is used in medicine, art and cultural life.

- 1 **Filter by use:** Medicine, Art, Cultural. Filter by type: Tree, Shrub, Herb, Grass, Vine. Click several to combine them; **Clear** removes them all.
- 2 The first tile, **Identify your plant**, opens the photo identification page.
- 3 **Each card shows** the plant photo, its use tags and its name. The ♥ on the photo saves it to your favorite plants.
- 4 **Click a card** to open the plant details.

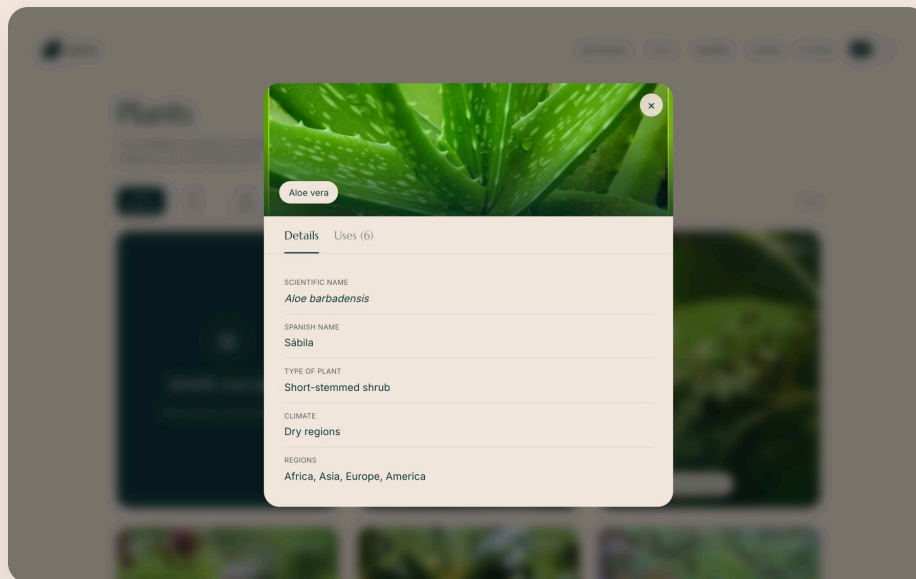
If nothing matches your filters you see "No plants match those filters" with a **Clear filters** link.



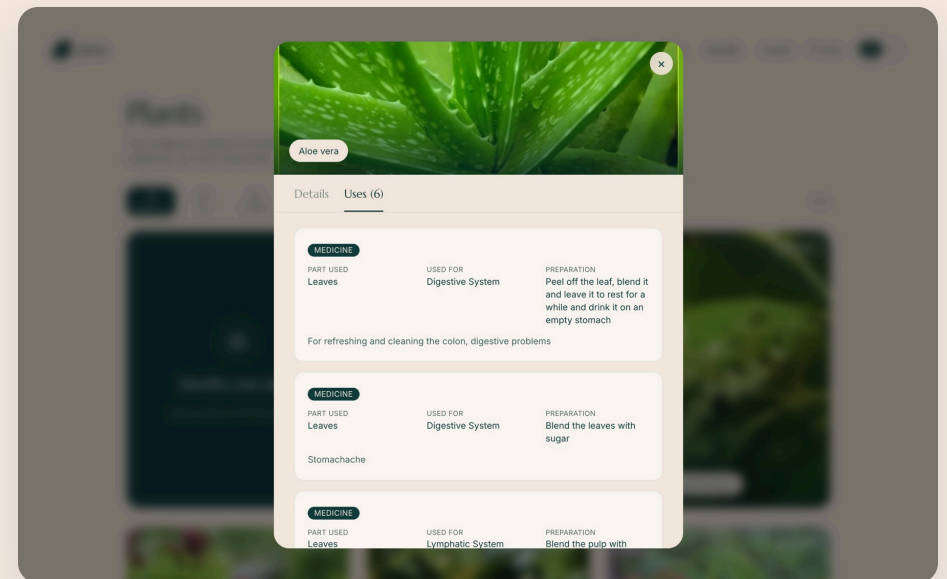
PLANTS

Plant details and uses

The plant panel has two tabs. **Details** describes the plant; **Uses** lists every recorded use with its preparation.



Details: scientific name, Spanish name, type of plant, climate and the regions where it grows.



Uses: one card per use with the category (Medicine, Art, Cultural), the part used, what it is used for, how it is prepared, and notes.

Close the panel with **x**, **Esc**, or by clicking outside it.

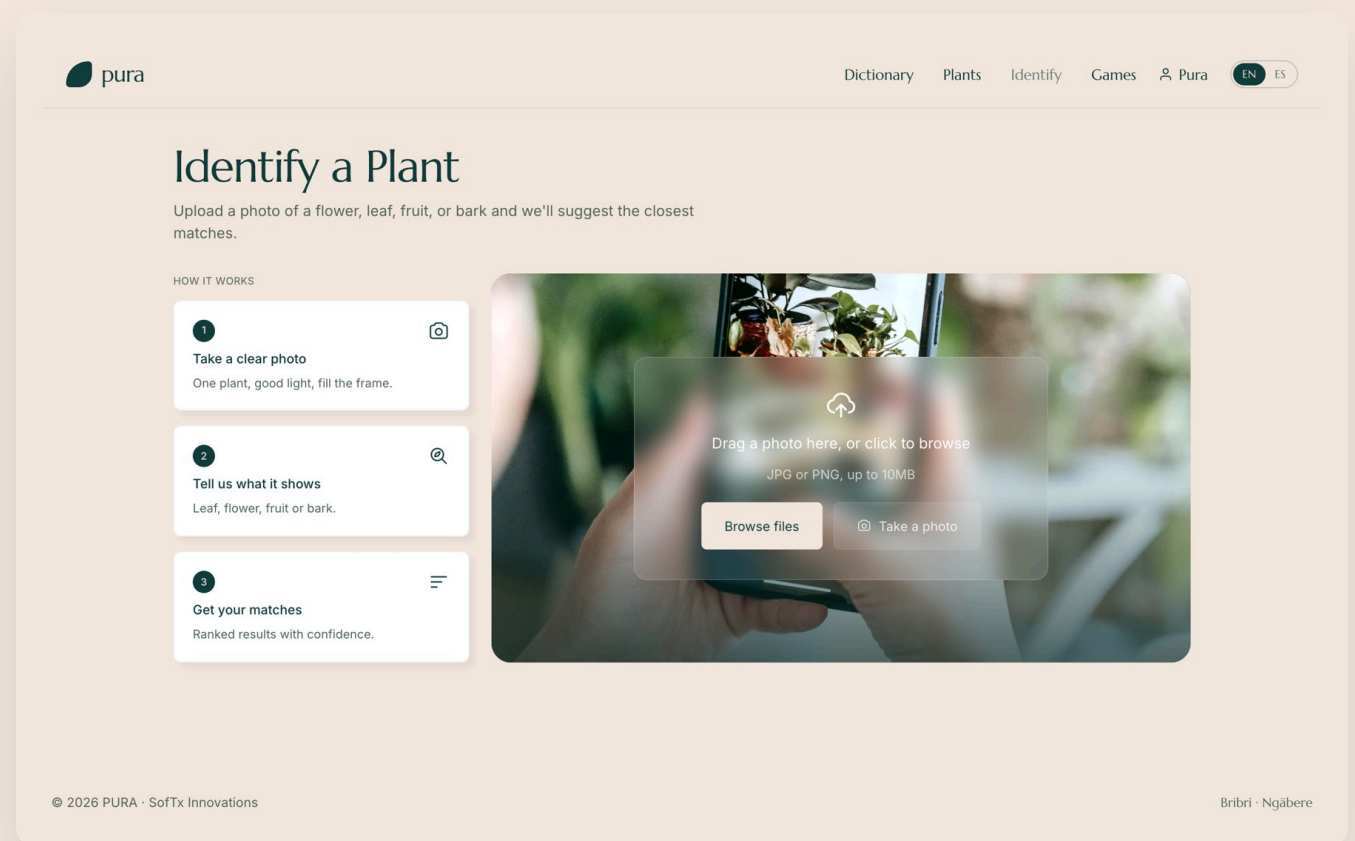
IDENTIFY

Identify a plant from a photo

Not sure what a plant is? Upload a photo and PURA suggests the closest species.

- 1 **Add a photo.** Drag a JPG or PNG (up to 10 MB) onto the box, click **Browse files**, or use **Take a photo** with your computer's camera.
- 2 **Say what the photo shows.** Choose Auto, Flower, Leaf, Fruit or Bark. A specific choice gives better matches.
- 3 **Click Identify.** The closest matches appear with a confidence percentage and the plant family.
- 4 **Try another photo** starts over.

Best results: one plant, good daylight, and let the plant fill the frame.

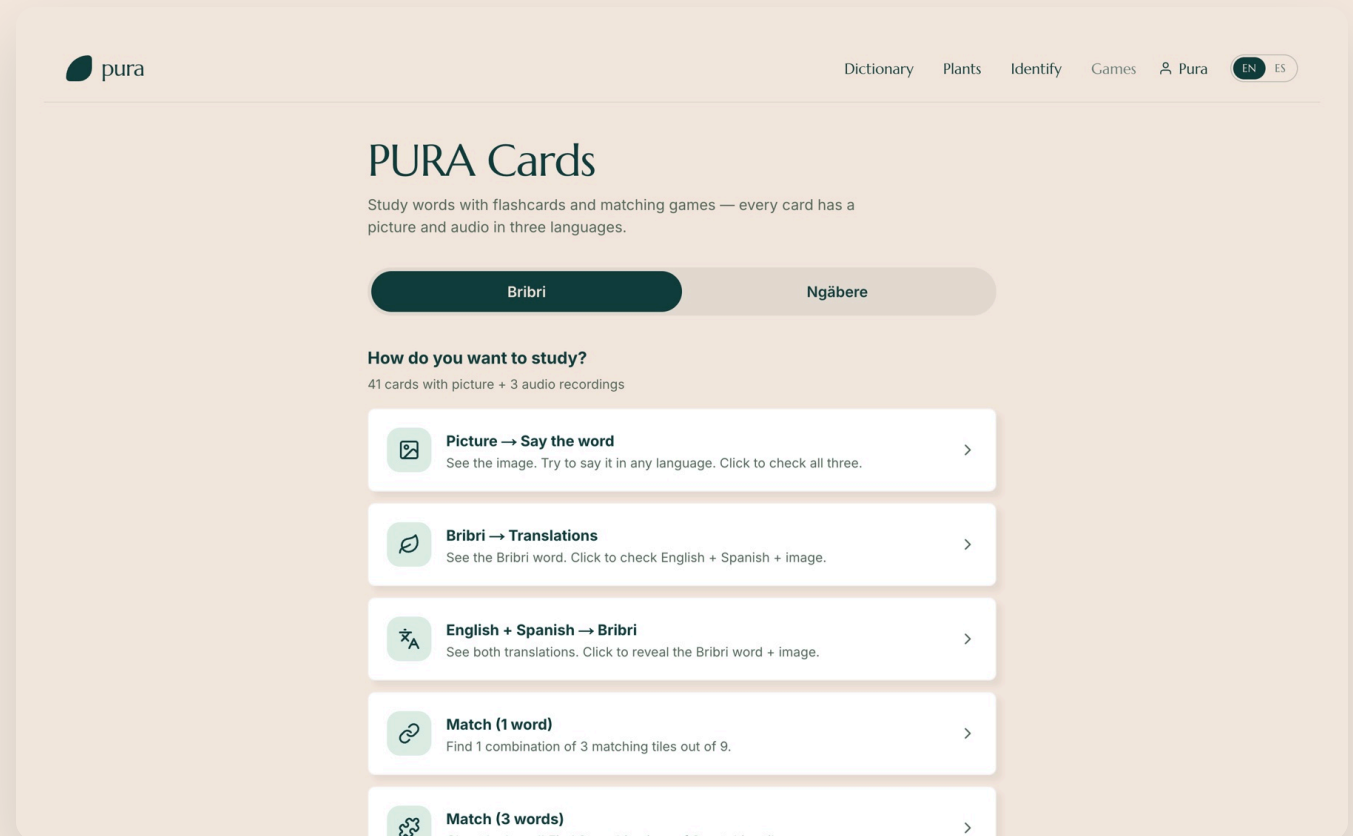


GAMES

PURA Cards

Practise vocabulary with flashcards and matching games. Every card has a picture and audio in three languages.

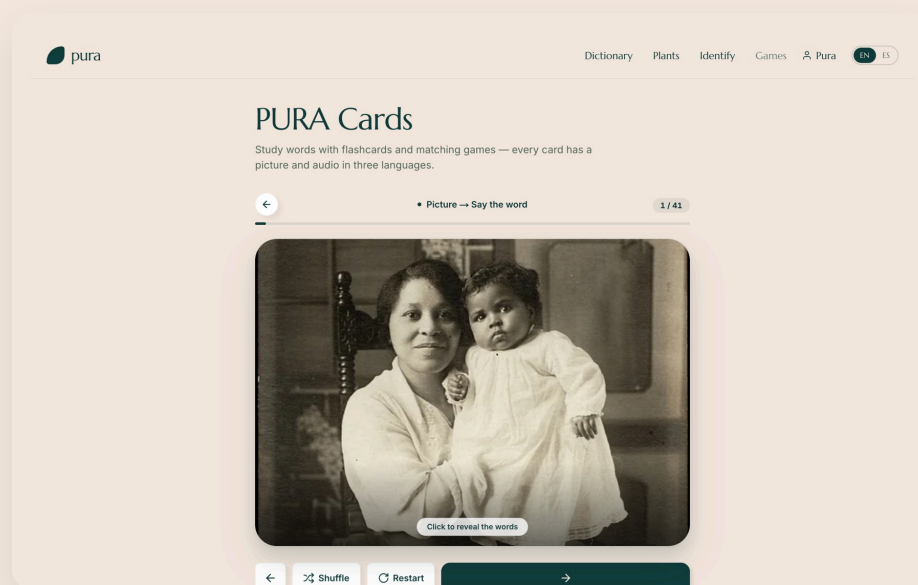
- 1 **Pick the language at the top:** Bribri or Ngäbere.
- 2 **Three flashcard modes.** Picture → Say the word; Bribri → Translations; English + Spanish → Bribri.
- 3 **Two matching modes.** Match (1 word) asks for one set of three tiles; Match (3 words) asks you to clear the whole board.
- 4 **The line under the heading** tells you how many cards are playable. Only words with a picture and all three recordings are used.



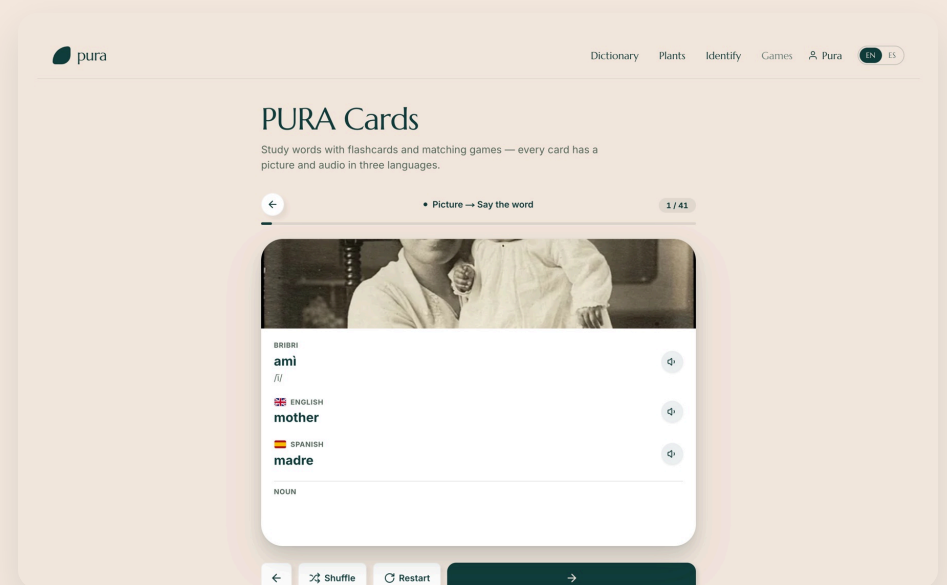
GAMES

Flashcards

Look at the prompt, say the answer out loud, then click the card to check yourself.



Front. The prompt for the chosen mode, here the picture. The progress bar and counter show where you are in the deck.



Back. The word in Bribri or Ngäbere with its IPA, then English and Spanish. Each row has a speaker button that plays the recording.

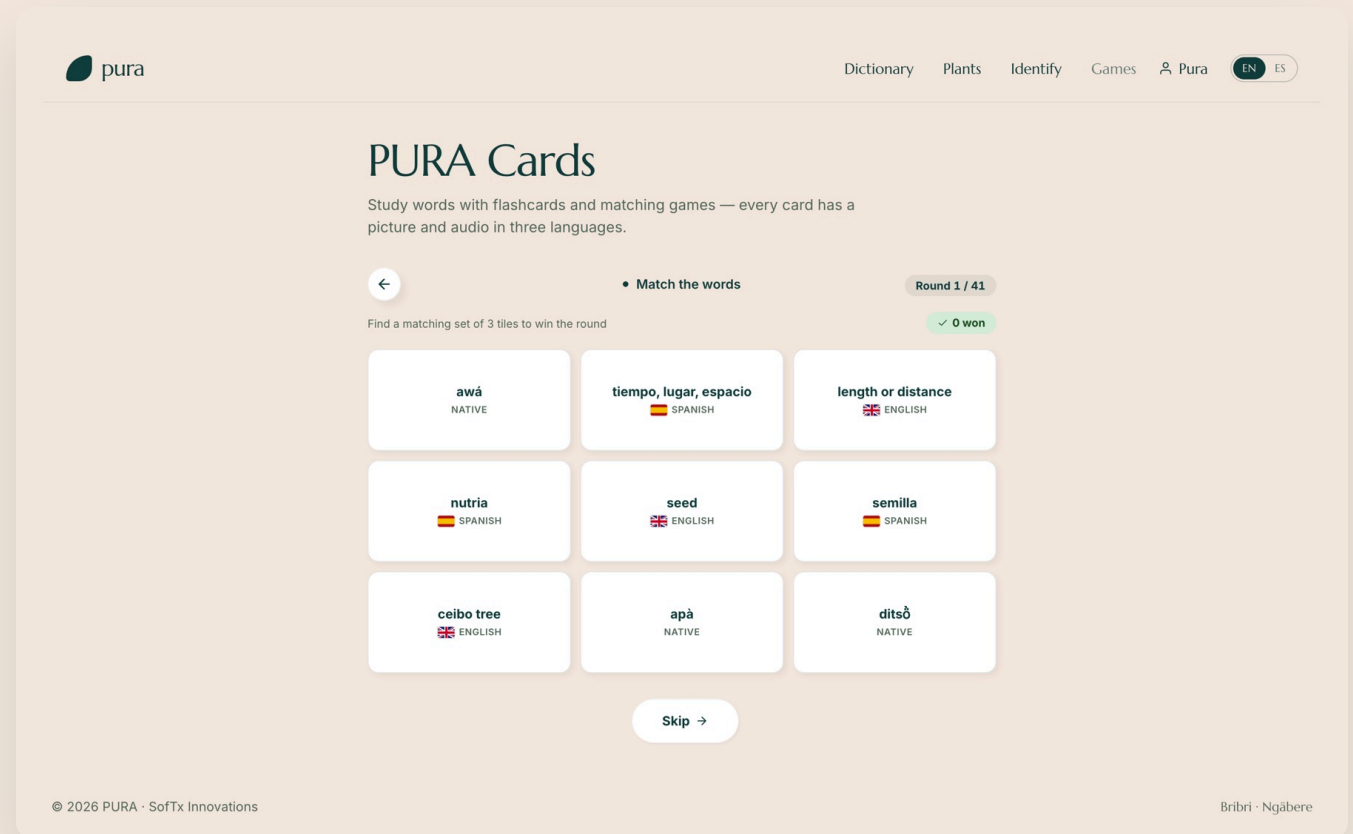
Use the arrows to move between cards. **Shuffle** mixes the deck, **Restart** goes back to the first card, and the round arrow at the top-left returns to the games list.

GAMES

Match the words

Nine tiles mix native words, English and Spanish. Find the three tiles that belong to the same word.

- 1 **Click three tiles.** If they belong together they lock in and the round is won; otherwise they reset and you try again.
- 2 **In Match (3 words)** you keep going until all nine tiles are matched.
- 3 **Skip** moves to the next round without scoring. The counter on the right keeps your score.
- 4 **After the last round** you see the percentage of rounds won, with **Play again** and **Back**.

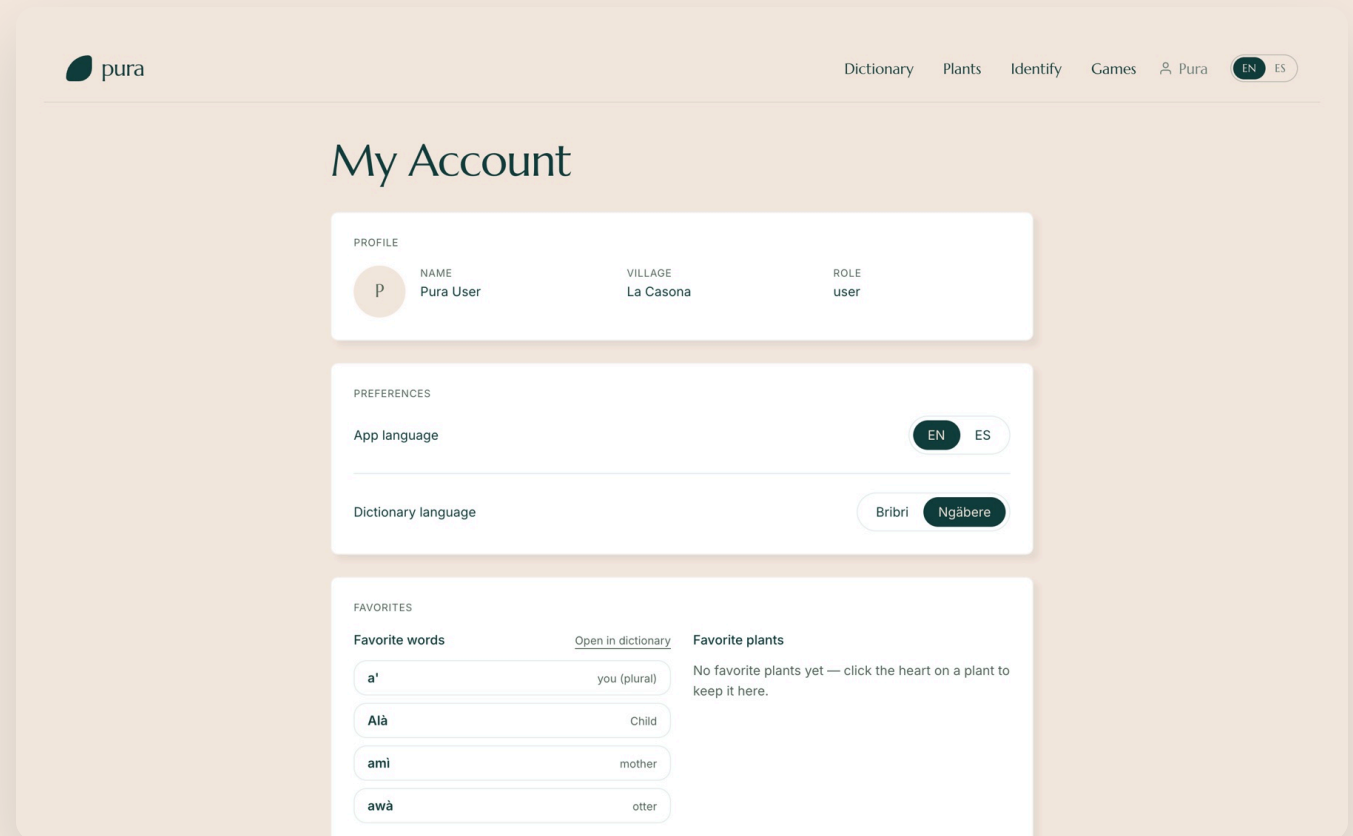


ACCOUNT

My Account

Click your name in the top bar to open your account page.

- 1 Profile.** Your name, village and role as recorded by the PURA team.
- 2 App language.** EN or ES, the same as the toggle in the top bar.
- 3 Dictionary language.** Bribri or Ngäbere. This is saved to your account and becomes the default in the phone app as well.
- 4 Favorites.** Your saved words and plants. **Open in dictionary** shows all saved words; clicking a word opens it directly.
- 5 Sign out** at the bottom of the page.

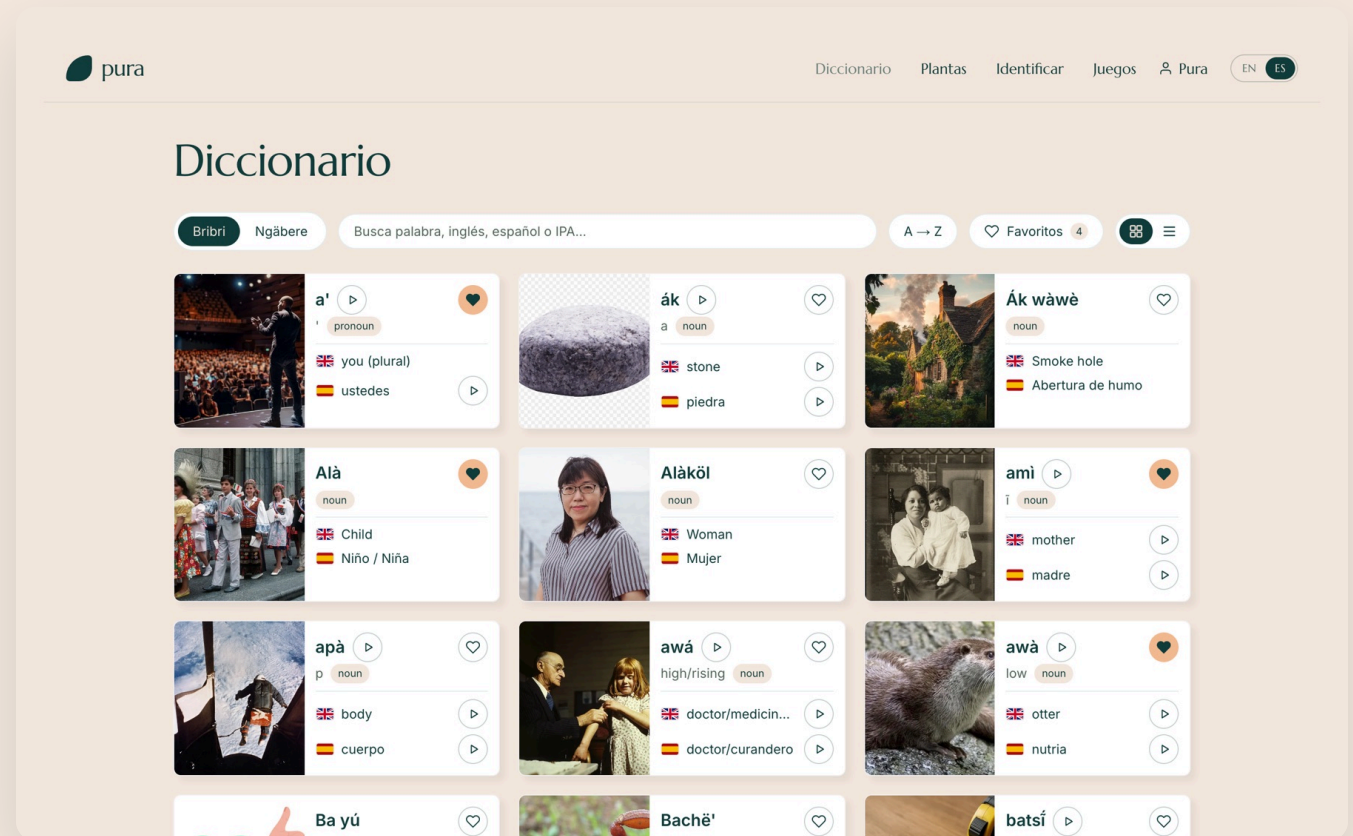


LANGUAGE

PURA en español

Click **ES** in the top-right corner and every label, button and message switches to Spanish.

- 1 **The switch is instant** and applies to every page. Your choice is remembered on this computer.
- 2 **Dictionary and plant content** stays exactly as it is: native words with their English and Spanish translations.
- 3 **Click EN** to go back to English.



QUICK REFERENCE

I want to...

A one-page reminder of where things live.

I WANT TO	DO THIS
Hear how a word is pronounced	Click the ► next to the word or translation, on a card, in the list or in the word details.
Save a word	Click the ♥ on the card, row or details panel. The heart turns peach when saved.
See only my saved words	Dictionary → Favorites button in the toolbar. Click again to show all words.
Switch between Bribri and Ngäbere	Dictionary or Games → the Bribri / Ngäbere toggle.
Read the app in Spanish or English	EN / ES toggle in the top-right corner of any page, or My Account → App language.
Find plants used as medicine	Plants → click the Medicine filter. Combine with a type such as Tree or Herb.
Find out what a plant is	Identify → add a photo, choose Flower, Leaf, Fruit or Bark, click Identify .
Practise vocabulary	Games → pick a language and one of the five modes.
Change my default dictionary language	My Account → Preferences → Dictionary language .
Sign out	My Account → Sign out .

Questions or need an account? Contact the PURA team.

PURA is also available as a phone app, with the same dictionary and plants available offline. See the separate mobile walkthrough.