

SJ/ESC67
SAINT-PIERRE CHURCH
05/09-26/09/2020
18-30

Project: The town of La Ferté-Alais is located in the Gâtinais regional natural park in the valley of the Essonne river. Having had many experiences in the past hosting international workcamps, La Ferté-Alais is very committed to these projects that celebrate the local heritage, engage the local youth, and inject some vibrancy into the community. Saint-Pierre church is an old chapel located in the town center. While some international workcamps have already worked on the renovation of the church and its surroundings, the town wishes to continue renovation this year.

With this project, you will be actively working for the Sustainable Development Goal n°12 from the United Nations: Responsible production and consumption.

Work: During this workcamp, you will build a wall around part of the courtyard that sits behind the church. This work will make the access to the courtyard and the church more easily accessible for the local population. You'll learn traditional masonry techniques by using lime mortar.

Accommodation and food: You will sleep in collective tents on the international campsite run by the association. Please bring a sleeping bag with you. The campsite has bathrooms and showers accessible, as well as a kitchen. Food will be provided, and meals will be prepared by the volunteers in turns.

Location: La Ferté Alais is approximately 50km south of Paris, in the Essonne region. Note-- this project should not be used as a sightseeing trip to Paris. If you wish to visit Paris, you should arrive some days before or reserve dates following the workcamp.

Leisure activities: You will have the opportunity to enjoy all that's offered at the association's campsite and discover the cultural and natural heritage of the region, which is part of a natural park. You will also help organise activities to meet and socialize with the local young people. Other leisure activities will be organised collectively depending on the wishes of the group and the available budget.

Closest train station: La Ferté Alais RER station.

Closest airports: Paris Roissy Charles de Gaulle, Paris Orly and Paris Beauvais.

SJ/ESC75
TOGETHER IN LA MAYOUNELLE !

08/09-29/09/2020
18-30

Project: Participate in a Renovation project on the Citrus association's site in Laguépie, where you will be involved in the association's major project started ten years ago and in which hundreds of local and international volunteers have taken part. This is where international and French volunteers have chosen to live together and participate in the realisation of a dream: building peace in the world. The challenge is to learn how to live and work together, amongst different people, cultures, and backgrounds. This group of volunteers will host you on their premises for three weeks. Together, you'll experience daily life as a community and participate in renovation work and other activities while experiencing the gentle lifestyle of a typical village in the heart of the French countryside.

Work: You will work on the development of our reception site through the construction of our future "park" and shared space. Masonry and construction will be the main tasks to be carried out. This year we also plan to begin work on a new building to be restored, the "Maurel Farm". The work will be supervised by members of the Citrus association. You will also participate in the creation of artistic constructions that will be installed in the common space, between the future shared garden and the offices of the association.

Accommodation and food : In a house equipped with large dorms that also serves as a welcoming center for international volunteers during winter. You'll have access to a communal kitchen where you'll take turns preparing meals in teams, as well as access to sanitary facilities (showers and bathrooms). You will be within a 3-minute walking distance of the village center.

Location : Laguépie is 100 km Northeast of Toulouse, between Rodez and Mountauban and close to Albi. Laguépie is lucky enough to be crossed by two rivers. The homes of Laguépie sit right on the riverbanks and climb the hills in a picturesque setting overlooked by a castle.

Leisure activities : Outside of time spent at the worksite, you'll decide as a group the activities you want to participate in. You'll have the opportunity to attend local festivities (performances, concerts), explore the natural environment and cultural heritage, go swimming or walking, have pizza dinners and game nights, and visit the exceptional medieval villages of Najac, Cordes-sur-ciel, and Saint-Antonin-Noble-Val.

Closest train station : Laguépie (82250)

Closest airport : Toulouse

SJ/ESC16
BACK TO THE FUTURE

12/09-03/10/2020
18-30

Project : Do you want to travel back in time for 3 weeks ? Discover trades of the past ? Do you want to reconnect with nature, endless open fields, and core values? Come to Sorbier! This village is home to the perfect project for you : together with a group of international volunteers, you will take part in the creation of an outdoor museum that will showcase ancient trades of the countryside and will host a permanent exhibition of engines and tools that were used by our ancestors! Led by a team from city hall, this project brings together local residents to celebrate the village's heritage. The people of Sorbier will be thrilled to welcome you, share ancient working methods and techniques, and introduce you to their way of life ! With this project, you will be actively working for the Sustainable Development Goal n°15 from the United Nations: Life on Land.

Work : You'll have various tasks to accomplish including : fixing pieces for the museum (cleaning, painting, etc.), preparing the field to host the outdoor exhibition (cleaning, leveling, laying gravels, etc.), building and setting up sheds / shelters (carpentry and small frame), protecting the site (fence), and creating signs and scenography.

Accommodation and food : The group will stay in tents with access to showers and dry toilets. Food will be provided by the organization, and volunteers will cook in teams. Meals will be had under a large tent, or in the castle in case of rainy days. Volunteers will have at their disposal a fully equipped kitchen and two activity rooms. Attention ! For this project, you will bike your way to work. The road is quite flat, so though it's necessary to know how to ride a bike, the ride will not be strenuous!

Location : Sorbier is a small village in Auvergne Rhone Alpes region in the Allier department. Surrounded by trees, it's the perfect place for people who love hiking, with amazing views of historical monuments typical of our region ! The name « sorbier » comes from the small trees that one can see dotting the landscape.

Leisure activities : Afternoons and weekends are collectively planned with the whole group. If you like spending time in the city, Moulins and Vichy are located around 40 kms away. If you're more of the countryside type, don't hesitate to discover the region on foot or by bike, explore the banks of the canals, swim, and take advantage of local festivities and cultural events.

Closest train station: Moulins-sur-Allier train station (03000)

Closest airport: Lyon Saint Exupery.

Financial conditions:

- travel costs are covered according to the ESC distance calculator:

- up to 180€ for travel distances between 100 and 499 km
- up to 275€ for travel distances between 500 and 1999 km
- up to 360€ for travel distances between 2000 and 2999 km

- volunteers receive 6€ per day as pocket money

**Don't hesitate to contact your sending organization in your country and
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