

ESC WORKCAMPs

These workcamp are funded by the European Solidarity Corps.

We have 5 ongoing volunteering teams in high priority area projects:

- **REBUILD** (Relief and Mental Health to achieve Peacebuilding)
which aims to develop prevention, promotion, and support activities in the field of health, especially mental health and well-being, by offering workshops to participants and opening them to the local population in order to encourage social and cultural interactions.

Those workcamps are open to 18 to 30-year-old volunteers coming from EU and partner neighbouring countries that fit the ESC criteria.

THERE IS NO REGISTRATION FEE. TRANSPORT COSTS WILL BE REIMBURSED UP TO A LUMP SUM FIXED ACCORDING TO THE TRAVELLED DISTANCE. POCKET MONEY OF €8 PER DAY WILL BE DISTRIBUTED.

ESC WORCAMPs

Region	Code	Title	Start date	End date	Vols	Type	Age	Project
V'V	SJ/ESC04	A garden to read	20/04	04/05	14	ENVI/CONS	18-30	REBUILD
CIT	SJ/ESC05	On the Roman bridge	22/04	05/05	12	RENO/ENVI	18-30	CES EdV AF
MDB	SJ/ESC06	The Spring vegetable garden	14/05	29/05	14	ENVI	18-30	REBUILD
REV	SJ/ESC10	A greenhouse dome for the Cévennes' garden	10/06	24/06	12	AGRI	18-30	CES EdV AF
CRE	SJ/ESC14 SJ/ESC30	Wood Stock 1 Wood Stock 2	25/06 21/07	15/07 11/08	15	RENO	18-30	CES EdV AF
CIT	SJ/ESC15	Let's renovate Puech Mignon	17/06	01/07	12	RENO/ENVI	18-30	REBUILD
CDB	SJ/ESC20	Back to the roots	04/07	25/07	11	RENO/SOCI	18-30	CES EdV AF
AVJ	SJ/ESC22	In the footsteps of the Duke of Lesdiguières	08/07	22/07	12	RENO	18-30	CES EdV AF
GE	SJ/ESC38	Rebuild together Salm Castle	03/08	19/08	14	CONS	18-30	REBUILD
REV	SJ/ESC48	Make it last foREVer: an ethical signage for the association	24/08	10/09	12	CONS/ENVI	18-30	CES EdV AF
CIT	SJ/ESC53	A work of remembrance	11/09	25/09	12	RENO/ENVI	18-30	TO BE CONFIRMED
AVJ	SJ/ESC54	The remains of Arzeliers	15/09	29/09	12	RENO	18-30	CES EdV AF
V'V	SJ/ESC57	An ecological world	18/10	02/11	14	ENVI/EDU	18-30	REBUILD



SJ/ESCO4

A GARDEN TO READ

20/04 - 04/05

CONS / ENVI 14 vols 18-30



PROJECT

VirVolt stands for International Volunteers Village. For two years, the association has been settled in the heart of nature, in the middle of a regional park. Welcoming young people from all over the world, getting to know each other and enriching ourselves through our differences; reflecting and acting together for environmental protection; having a positive impact on the places and the people living around the site or simply passing through...

This is the project of this future village, which is built every year thanks to the young people who come to contribute, placing solidarity at the centre of their actions. Living in yurts, tipis, and caravans, with a permaculture garden, water-saving methods, waste reduction, and recycling— this little village that is destined to grow respects its natural surroundings and experiments with eco-responsible practices. Participating in this project means contributing to the evolution of a unique and original place; it means taking an active part in the construction of new solidarity-based spaces and ecological initiatives; it means engaging for the benefit of a society that is more respectful of humans and nature.

WORK

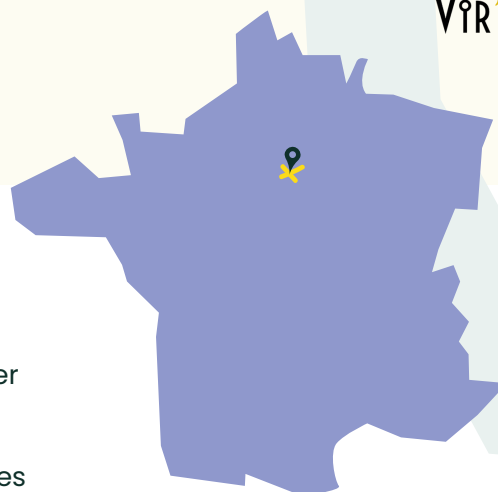
During this workcamp, you will participate in the creation of a new reading space in the garden of the Ballancourt media library. The Ballancourt media library has a small piece of abandoned garden covered in brambles. During this project, you will transform this space into a new reading area intended for the village children. You will build wooden benches and tables, as well as decorative elements, so that residents and children can read in a pleasant, friendly, and ecological environment.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

In single-gender collective tents (yurts, tipis, Canadian tents) at the host site; please bring a sleeping bag. The accommodation site has single-gender toilets and showers, as well as a space with a kitchen. Food is provided, and meals are prepared by the volunteers in turns.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

You can enjoy animations on the association's site, as well as discover the cultural and natural heritage of the Gatinais Park. You will participate in organizing activities with local youth. Leisure activities will be organized collectively according to the possibilities and the available budget.



Location: La Ferté Alais is approximately 50km south of Paris, in the Essonne region

Closest train station: La Ferté Alais RER station

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

Time and directions to the meeting point: Association Vir'volt, Camping de la Sablière. Arrival between 2pm and 6pm.



SJESCO5 ON THE ROMAN BRIDGE

22/04 - 05/05

RENO/ENVI 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

Would you like to take part in the restoring of the Roman Bridge (Pont Vert) in Molières-Puycornet, formerly a crossing point on the royal road between Paris and Toulouse?

Then take the road yourself and come help restore beauty to this structure, which needs your motivation.

You will also discover CITRUS's values and ways of working as a popular education association that promotes living together, sharing, and diversity. A true little haven of peace.

Accompanied by our supervisory team, you will live in the heart of the two municipalities, sharing daily life with our international volunteers on site and the residents of Molières and Puycornet.

WORK

Immerse yourself in the municipalities of Molières and Puycornet by taking part in a workcamp dedicated to enhancing the Pont du Vert, a 12th-century bridge that is now partially collapsed and overgrown with vegetation.

Working in small groups under the guidance of the municipality's technical supervisors, you will restore both the upper part and the façades of the structure by reinforcing it and removing invasive plants (grasses, brambles and shrubs) that weaken it.

As the work takes place on a centuries-old monument requiring agility and caution, we are looking for serious participants. All safety measures will be ensured by the municipal teams, although some areas of the bridge are elevated (up to 4 m).

Alongside the restoration work, participants will work in pairs on a rotating basis to manage the camp kitchen, preparing balanced, seasonal meals for the whole group.

This workcamp offers a unique opportunity to meet young people from across Europe and the world, share cultures and enjoy life together, while immersing yourself in local heritage by joining Citrus on the Royal Road.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in bungalows at the municipal campsite of Molières, which is very close to the worksite. Mattresses and pillows will be provided; you only need to bring your own sleeping bag.

As with all Citrus workcamps, cooking is an integral part of the experience. It is an essential social moment that fosters collective living and enables you to develop skills beyond those required at the worksite. Special attention will be given to seasonal and local produce. Please note that meat will not be served every day; we plan two meat-based meals per week. Specific dietary requirements can be discussed with the group leaders.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

On the edge of the Tarn-et-Garonne region, you will enjoy a variety of leisure activities: visits to medieval villages, hiking, etc.

Some of these activities will give you the chance to meet local residents and share this experience with them.

In the evenings and at weekends, let your imagination run wild and organize gatherings with large games, a folk dance, or musical moments.

Finally, what could be better than organizing a large international meal open to everyone, to share the culinary specialties of your country with the local residents and passing visitors?



Location : Molières, a municipality in the department of Tarn-et-Garonne, located 17 km from Caussade and 80 km from Toulouse.

Closest train station: Caussade station (82000).

Closest airports: Bordeaux-Mérignac Airport.

Time and directions to the meeting point: The group leaders will pick you up from Caussade station (82000).



SJ/ESC06

THE SPRING VEGETABLE GARDEN

14/05 – 29-05

ENVI 14 vols 18–30

REBUILD

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PROJECT

Sustainable development, particularly permaculture, is a theme deeply rooted in the values of the association and runs transversally through all our actions. For this reason, Maison des Bateleurs – Solidarités Jeunesses has been developing an environmental hub for several years, including a phytosanitary pond, dry toilets, composting facilities, an organic garden, and the use of surrounding natural resources.

WORK

During this workcamp, you will actively take part in the daily life of the Maison and its various activities: collective living (cooking, cleaning, organization, etc.), intercultural exchanges (meeting local residents and association volunteers), and more.

The objective of this workcamp is to raise awareness and build knowledge about sustainable development through exchanges and intergenerational knowledge transfer.

The work will mainly consist of maintaining and developing the Maison's spring vegetable garden (sowing, transplanting, hoeing, watering, harvesting, processing), as well as preparing the soil for seasonal planting.

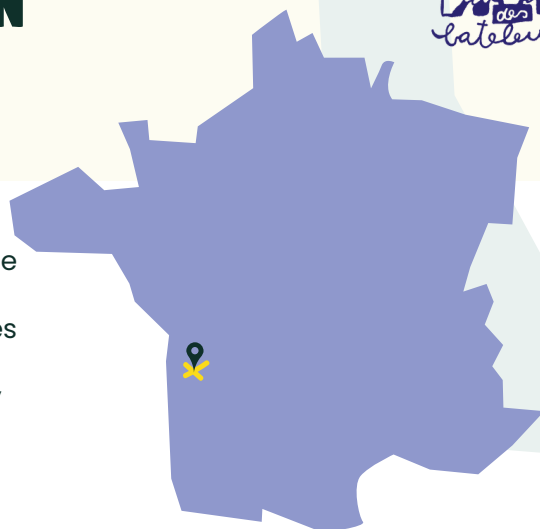
You will also take part in the maintenance of compost bins, the phytosanitary pond, the chicken coop, the insect hotel, bat nesting boxes, and the bamboo grove.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Collective accommodation in dormitories and/or individual rooms at Maison des Bateleurs. Food is provided, and meals will be prepared in turn by the participants, while respecting sustainable development values and everyone's cultural backgrounds (with host families and international volunteers present).

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

At the crossroads of several charming villages in southern Saintonge, you will be able to fully enjoy the local heritage. Outside workcamp hours, various cultural activities and local discoveries will be offered: markets, visits to local producers, and tastings of local products. Trips to Bordeaux, La Rochelle or Angoulême, as well as a day at the ocean, may be organized. Cognac and Saint-Émilion, emblematic towns of the French wine-growing region, are also nearby.



Location: Montendre, Charente-Maritime, 75 km from Bordeaux

Closest train station: Montendre (17130).

Closest airports: Bordeaux-Mérignac, France

Time and directions to the meeting point: We will meet you at the association's site, Maison des Bateleurs, May 14, 2026 from 10am

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CONSUMPTION
AND PRODUCTION



SJ/ESC10

A GREENHOUSE DOME FOR THE CÉVENNES' GARDEN

10/06– 24/06

AGRI 12 vols 18–30



PROJECT

The project will take place at the permanent REV site, a former summer camp situated at an altitude of 1,200 meters. The building is situated at the foot of Mont Lozère in the heart of the Cévennes National Park. The REV association moved there in spring 2022 and wants to turn it into a place to welcome visitors, exchange ideas, and meet new people. To keep improving the garden started in 2025, you will build a wooden greenhouse dome, for year-round cultivation. This will contribute to transforming the site into a nourishing and supportive space where international volunteers, project volunteers, visitors, residents, etc. can meet.

WORK

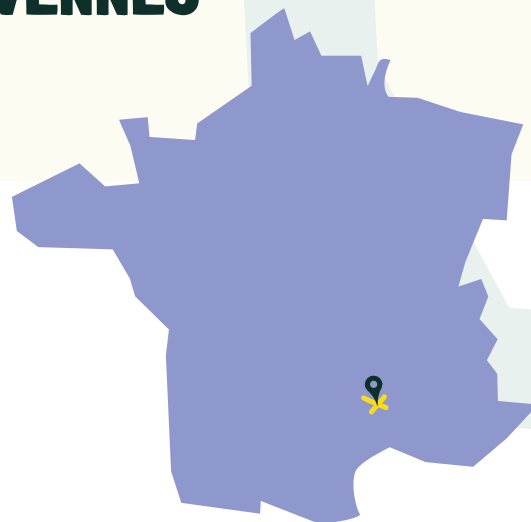
You will be involved in constructing a wooden geodesic dome that will serve as a greenhouse for the community garden run by the association. This dome's shape offers several advantages: it uses less material than a rectangular structure to cover the same area, it is wind-resistant (common at high altitudes), it captures light from all angles, and it prevents snow from accumulating on the roof (useful in winter). A technical supervisor will share their knowledge of wooden construction and guide you through building this structure during dedicated work sessions (25 hours/week).

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The workcamp is in a very remote area, where you will be accommodated in collective tents on the REV site (remember to bring a warm sleeping bag). You will have access to sanitary facilities close to the camp. Moreover, if weather conditions deteriorate too much for camping, a shelter a few meters away will be available. On the project, it is important to know that you will have two meat meals per week. Meals will be provided by the association and prepared by the participants, who will take it in turns to form cooking teams. Bring your best recipes!

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Although far from France's metropolises, Lozère is a very dynamic region. The region's activities revolve around local festivities, concerts, and unspoilt natural areas (mountains, rivers, forests).



Location : The workcamp will take place in the hamlet of Finiels, which belongs to the commune of Pont-de-Monvert, located on Mont-Lozère in the heart of the Cévennes. The nearest town is Mende with 16,000 inhabitants.

Closest train station: Génolhac station.

Closest airports: Montpellier Airport for Europe or France. Marseille airport for international flights. Trains from Montpellier and Marseille take you to Génolhac via Nîmes.

Meeting point: Please arrive on 10/06 between 4pm and 6pm. Génolhac train station (30450).

12 RESPONSIBLE CONSUMPTION AND PRODUCTION



SJ/ESC14 WOOD STOCK 1

SJ/ESC30 WOOD STOCK 2

25/06 - 15/07

21/07 - 11/08

RENO 15 vols 18-30



PROJECT

Join Wood Stock '26, a creative and hands-on workcamp dedicated to woodcraft and reuse, set in the unique surroundings of our castle. This project invites you to work with your hands, share skills and give new life to wood through renovation and upcycling. From restoring traditional wooden window shutters with ecological DIY paint, to creating furniture from reclaimed pallets, you'll help preserve the character of the place while embracing sustainable practices. A project rooted in craftsmanship, creativity and collective energy!

WORK

Participants will mainly work with wood, focusing on renovating the castle's wooden window shutters. This will involve repairing damaged elements, fixing hinges, sanding, treating surfaces and, and crafting new shutters when needed. They will also prepare their own paint made with flour and natural pigments. In parallel, the group will design and build simple, functional furniture from recycled pallets. Tasks will include dismantling and preparing wood, taking measurements, cutting, assembling and finishing. This project combines manual skills, teamwork and creativity, offering a practical introduction to traditional and sustainable woodworking techniques.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in various shared sleeping rooms for 4 to 8 people at Château du Créneau. Please note that Wi-Fi is not available on site. You and the other participants will prepare the food in the château kitchen in groups, with the support of the kitchen supervisors. The majority of meals are vegetarian, with two meals per week containing meat and/or fish.

LEISURE

Weekend activities are organized collectively with the whole group. Are you more of a city person? The towns of Vichy and Moulins are only forty kilometers away! Or are you looking for a country stroll? Feel free to explore the surrounding area on foot or by bicycle. You can discover the landscape, heritage and local craftsmen, take a swim, or enjoy sports, and leisure activities and outings.



Location : Montcombroux-les-Mines, 45 km from Moulins.

Closest train station: 4 Rue Philippe Thomas, 03000 Moulins-sur-Allier.

Closest airports: Paris or Lyon. From Paris, there are direct trains to Moulins-sur-Allier, which takes around 2.5 hours. From Lyon, the journey time is around 2 hours 10 minutes.

Meeting point: in front of Moulins train station (03000) at 5pm on June 25 2026.



SJ/ESC15

LET'S RENOVATE PUECH MIGNON

17/06 – 01/07

RENO/ENVI 12 vols 18–30



PROJECT

Built in 972, the Church of Our Lady of Puech Mignon is listed as a French Historical Monument. Over the centuries, it has faced many challenges, including destruction, a medieval reconstruction, and a fire in the 19th century. Since then, volunteers from the association Le Temps de Puech Mignon have been working on its restoration and maintenance. While the church itself has now been restored, the surrounding areas still require urgent work to ensure their preservation.

Join this international workcamp with Citrus to discover both the site and the association's values of togetherness, sharing, and diversity. Supported by our staff team, you will live in the village of Laguéprie and share daily life with international volunteers on site.

WORK

Guided by the Citrus staff team and the volunteers from the association "Le Temps de Puech Mignon", you will carry out several concrete and varied tasks:

- Rebuilding an old dry-stone wall in the presbytery garden
- Laying stone paving in front of the former presbytery kitchen to improve and secure access
- Restoring and safeguarding a small tower attached to the site
- Clearing and cleaning the surrounding areas

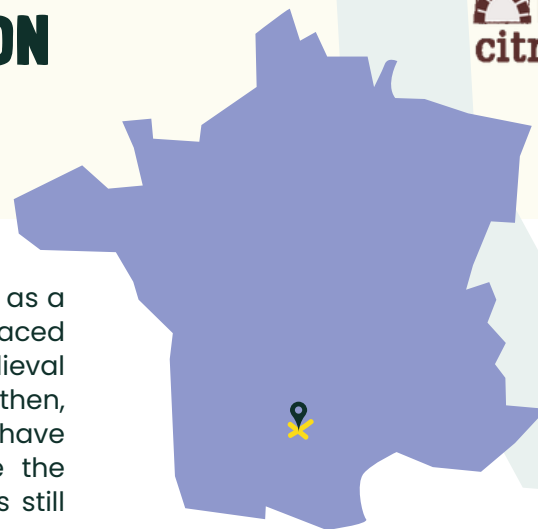
These activities will be done in small groups, allowing everyone to learn new skills while contributing to a useful and meaningful project. At the same time, as on all Citrus workcamps, you will take part in community life. In turn, you will be responsible for the "kitchen workcamp," preparing balanced seasonal meals for the whole group in a spirit of sharing. This work camp will be a unique opportunity to meet young people from all over the world, exchange cultures, have strong human experience, and help preserve local heritage.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will stay on the Citrus association site in large collective tents (8 to 12 people) equipped with wooden floors and beds. You will have access to dry toilets and solar showers entirely built by young volunteers during previous workcamps. A washing machine is available for reasonable and organized use. There is no Wi-Fi connection. You will take part daily in the maintenance of the site and in meal preparation. Choices will be made collectively to ensure a balanced diet based on your tastes, dietary needs, and local seasonal products. Cooking is an integral part of the workcamp, just like construction activities.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Afternoons will be dedicated to various leisure and discovery activities in the region. You will be able to go hiking, canoeing, visit beautiful medieval villages or historic towns, and enjoy swimming directly in the Viour River in Laguéprie. With the support of the staff team, you will also be active in proposing and organizing activities: debates about your favorite movie, learning a local dance from your region, discussions about current issues, karaoke nights, international quizzes — your ideas are welcome! There will also be the famous international meal, open to everyone, where you will prepare typical dishes from your country or region — a great way to make people travel through food and share intercultural experiences.



Location: Laguéprie (82250)

Closest train station: Laguéprie (82250)

Closest airports: Toulouse-Blagnac (31000).

Time and directions to the meeting point: We will pick you up at Laguéprie train station after 2 PM. You can easily take a train from Toulouse Matabiau station, which will take you directly to Laguéprie in about 1 hour and 15 minutes.



SJ/ESC20

BACK TO THE ROOTS

04/07 – 25/07

RENO/SOCI 11 vols 18–30



PROJECT

After a successful first international project, the residents of Lyoffans are eager to welcome volunteers back to their village. This project is part of a series of long-term initiatives to promote sustainability and solidarity, in line with the UN's Sustainable Development Goal 11: "Sustainable Cities and Communities."

This year, the focus will be on working on a concrete project while building connections, exchanging, and sharing authentic moments. This experience is an ideal opportunity to discover new ways of thinking and acting, while sharing your skills in a friendly and welcoming atmosphere. Each project is a unique adventure, and we invite you to live yours!

WORK

The community of Lyoffans wants to restore its washhouses and fountains located in the heart of the village. To do this, it relies on international volunteers with the goal of combining heritage restoration with the creation of social links between local residents and international participants. To support this initiative, you are invited to take part in restoring the paving of these infrastructures for around 6 hours a day. The program includes learning traditional masonry techniques, teamwork, and participating in community tasks, all of which provide opportunities to forge lasting bonds and contribute to the transformation of the village.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The municipality will provide an old community house, which will be refreshed for your group. You will be self-sufficient, with access to a kitchen and shared mixed spaces for sleeping (3 to 5 volunteers per room). Beds will be provided by the local residents, but you will need to bring your own sleeping bag and pillow.

A shower is available on-site, but we also encourage you to take advantage of the bathrooms in the homes of the residents: every opportunity is a good way to encourage interaction! It's just a three-minute walk to the work site. For other trips, the villagers will be happy to give you a lift in their cars to go shopping or explore the region.

Accompanied by the camp leaders, you will design the menu and prepare the meals each day in turns. The budget is approximately 5 € per day per person. There is the possibility to eat vegetarian or vegan; please plan accordingly if necessary. Often, you will share meals with the villagers, giving you the opportunity to discover the local gastronomy.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Whether during the afternoons or the weekends, your group will initiate and organize free-time activities. The ideal program will consider everyone's wishes, local possibilities (hikes, local artists, summer concerts, castles, etc.), and the budget. You can also rely on the support of the villagers to organize moments of exchange; they will be delighted to share their advice on how to best discover the local environment.



Location: Lyoffans (70200), Haute-Saône, France.

Closest train station: Lure (70200).

Closest airports: Basel or the ones in Paris: Orly and Charles de Gaulle

Time and directions to the meeting point: •A meeting point will be organized to facilitate your arrival at the reception area between 4pm and 6pm.

SJ/ESC22

IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF THE DUKE OF LESDIGUIÈRES

08/07 - 22/07

RENO 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

For 14 years, volunteers from all over the world have been committed to preserving the remains of the Duke of Lesdiguières' castle. Will you be the next to join the adventure? Located in an idyllic setting in the high southern Alpine mountains, this 16th-century castle has been listed in the supplementary inventory of Historic Monuments since 1978. In 2000, a local association was created to safeguard the historical, architectural, and cultural memory of the building. The Duke of Lesdiguières, the illustrious patron of the work, was the last Constable of France. This military figure is known for his participation in the Wars of Religion, as well as for his commitment to the construction and development of roads, bridges, and dikes against flooding in France. He had this castle built between 1571 and 1580, but it was abandoned after his death and looted during the French Revolution. The work we organize on this site aims to highlight its history by consolidating the ruins of this precious architectural work, while enriching it through the intercultural encounters typical of international workcamps.

WORK

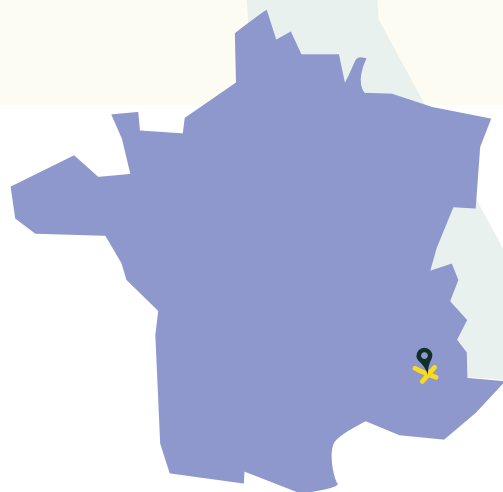
You will consolidate the masonry of a stone parapet wall in the castle ruins. Additionally, you will participate in the creation of a patina to visually unify the wall portions completed during previous work campaigns. A local craftswoman will guide you in the choice of stones to use, their positioning, and the production and use of mortar. Some activities involve working on scaffolding. Each day, two members of the group will take turns preparing the team's meals; the menu will be defined in advance. You will work on the site during the mornings from Monday to Friday. The work concerns masonry, tool, and meal preparation, as well as the organization and implementation of collective life.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Here, we pay attention to our diet to reduce our environmental impact: we eat local food as much as possible and reduce our meat consumption to twice a week. Daily life is organized collectively: organizing menus (vegetarian, vegan diets, etc.), shopping, activities, etc. We organize shopping trips once or twice a week with the vehicles provided on site.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

In the heart of the Ecrins National Park, between the Valgaudemar, Champsaur, and Dévoluy valleys, you can fully enjoy this exceptional mountain environment! You can discover the pleasures of mountain hiking, rivers, lakes, farmers' and producers' markets, and festive evenings organized in surrounding villages (depending on the schedule). Discovering this place with the group of international volunteers will enrich your experience. Indeed, you will play a key role in organizing your time with the support of the leadership team. Workshops and reflections on the theme of well-being will be offered during the afternoons.



Location: The workcamp is located a few kilometres from the accommodation site, which you can reach on foot or by shuttle.

Closest train station: Gap (05000).

Closest airports: Marseille - Provence.

Meeting point: We will take you by shuttle to the campsite from the Gap train station. Meeting point on July 8th, 2026, from 3 pm onwards.

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AND COMMUNITIES



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SJ/ESC38

REBUILD TOGETHER SALM CASTLE

03/08 - 19/08

CONS 14 vols 18-30

REBUILD

EUROPEAN
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CORPS

Solidarités
JEUNESSES
NEVER CONSTRUCTING TRANSBODIES

PROJECT

We offer you a collective and intercultural adventure in Alsace! Do you want to be part of it? On the program: a workcamp useful to the rural community, technical training, exchanges with local residents, animation with young people from Alsace, co-prepared meals, and the discovery of the Alsatian Vosges... And everything else we will build together!

The members of the association "Les Veilleurs de Salm" are hosting an international workcamp for the third time and are looking forward to this rich experience of sharing! Over a two-week period, various tasks will be carried out on the castle, which probably dates back to the 15th century. The work will involve consolidating the western curtain wall of the castle ruins. The "identical" consolidation of this wall began almost fifteen years ago, in conjunction with the French heritage services (Historical Monuments, Regional Department of Cultural Affairs). There will also be prospecting in another part of the castle (archaeological research type).

More info at: <https://www.chateau-de-salm.org/>

WORK

The work will consist of maintenance tasks aiming to preserve the existing structure without adding facings or heightening. It will involve:

- Removing and replacing one to three layers of facing, on both the internal and external faces;
- Removal of the level, extraction of old blockages over 20 cm, and purging of old mortar;
- Creation of a solid "ruin-like" rockwork binding the two faces of the facing;
- Prospecting of the outer lining to uncover archaeological material.

The motivated team of "Les Veilleurs de Salm" will provide the technical supervision for this work.

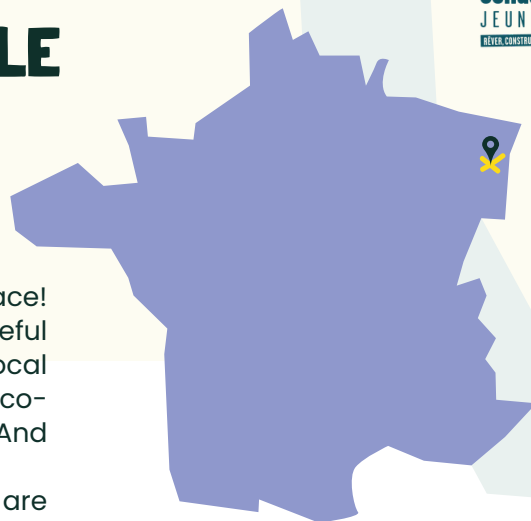
ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Accommodation will be in a simple guesthouse, in shared rooms, with shared showers and toilets. Remember to bring your sleeping bags. Wi-Fi will not be available.

Food is provided and included in the budget. We will take it in turns to prepare meals. We will favor local and/or organic purchases. Our meals will be mostly vegetarian.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Hiking, horse riding, festivals, markets, museums, etc. We can organize the activities we want to discover together: there are many possibilities !



Location: Rich in history, La Broque is a commune of 2,600 inhabitants, located in the Bruche Valley, near the Massif du Champ du Feu (430 m altitude). It is surrounded by forests and pastures. We are 50 km west of Strasbourg.

Closest train station: Meet between 4 PM and 7 PM at Schirmeck-La Broque station (67130).

Closest airports: Strasbourg Entzheim.



SJ/ESC48

MAKE IT FOREVER: AN ETHICAL SIGNAGE FOR THE ASSOCIATION

24/08 - 10/09

CONS/ENVI 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

The project will take place at the permanent headquarters of the Réseau d'Entraide Volontaire (REV), a former summer camp located at an altitude of 1,200 meters. The building is located at the foot of Mount Lozère in the heart of the Cévennes National Park. Established in spring 2022, the association is developing a place for welcome, exchange, and meeting. In order to take care of people and the environment, the REV is committed to sustainable development. As the site is constantly changing, it is necessary to clearly indicate the spaces and their uses so that everyone who visits feels comfortable and is able to use all the facilities created during the construction work.

The association therefore needs new signage for the site. It will be made from materials recovered from the surrounding area with a view to upcycling. This project will teach you how to build elements from various materials to facilitate movement around the REV. It will contribute to transforming the site into a welcoming space where international volunteers, project volunteers, visitors, residents, etc., can meet.

WORK

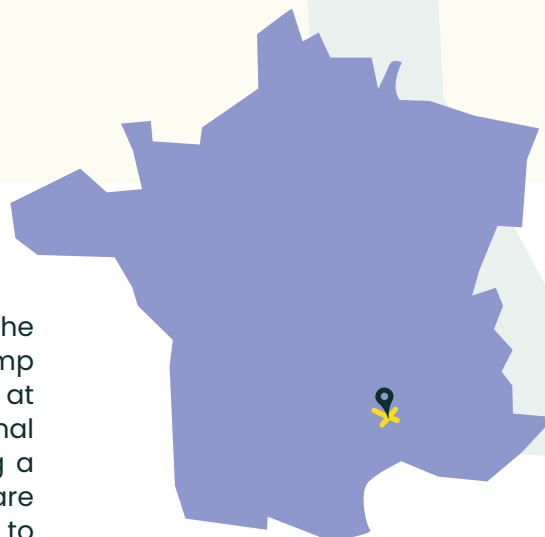
You will be involved in creating information panels and signs explaining the customs and traditions of the REV's host location. These will be made from recycled materials, mainly on mobile supports to ensure their longevity in the association's evolving project. Following collective reflection and discussion with people knowledgeable about spatial planning, you will implement the collectively developed construction plan. You will be introduced to different techniques for assembling materials and decorating. This project will allow you to develop teamwork and construction skills while applying safety practices (gloves, goggles). Work time: 25 hours/week.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

The workcamp will take place in a particularly isolated area, where you will be accommodated on the REV site in individual tents (remember to bring a warm sleeping bag). You will have access to sanitary facilities close to the camp. What's more, if weather conditions deteriorate too much for camping, a shelter a few meters away will be available. Meals will be provided and prepared in turn by participants.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Far from France's large cities, Lozère is nonetheless a very dynamic region. Local activities revolve around festivities, concerts, and unspoilt natural areas (mountains, rivers, forests).



Location: The project will take place in the southern part of Mount Lozère, in a rural area (Lozère department, 48). Shaped by erosion, this territory is crisscrossed by several rivers, geological formations such as the Causses, and numerous forests of many species. The nearest town is Mende, with 12,000 inhabitants.

Closest train station: Génolhac station (30450).

Closest airports: Montpellier airport for Europe or France; Marseille airport for international flights. Trains from Montpellier and Marseille take you to Génolhac via Nîmes.

Meeting point: Please arrive between 4 PM and 6 PM on 24/08/2026. Génolhac train station (30450).

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A WORK OF REMEMBRANCE

11/09 – 25/09 – **TO BE CONFIRMED**
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PROJECT

Are you aged between 18 and 30 and keen to get involved in a meaningful and practical project? Join Citrus in La Fouillade to restore the town's war memorials: faded lettering, damaged stones and tarnished details will be restored to their former glory to revive the memory of former soldiers and their families, ahead of their unveiling at the 11 November ceremony commemorating the 1918 Armistice; This project will also be an opportunity to discover the values of Citrus, a community education organisation committed to community living, sharing and diversity, and to enjoy, alongside the support team, a collective experience by sharing daily life with volunteers from different backgrounds.

WORK

Under the guidance of the Citrus team and a specialist, you will take part in the meticulous restoration of the town's war memorials, which are emblems of the local heritage: cleaning of headstones and gravestones (names, dates, epitaphs, symbols), polishing to restore their original appearance, repainting and delicate work on the statues (cleaning, touch-ups, fine drawing and painting); these tasks, requiring precision, patience and team spirit, will introduce you to gentle restoration techniques whilst contributing to a meaningful cause, and, as on all Citrus projects, community life will punctuate your stay with meal preparation, maintenance of communal areas and socialising.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be staying at the Laudinie guesthouse, located in the village of La Fouillade, close to the work site, in mixed-gender dormitories with bedding provided (mattresses and pillows); simply remember to bring your own sleeping bag and towels; As with all Citrus work camps, you will take part daily in maintaining the premises and preparing meals, the choices for which will be decided collectively to ensure a balanced diet that takes into account your tastes, dietary requirements and local seasonal produce, bearing in mind that you will not eat meat every day; two meat-based meals per week are planned.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Afternoons will be devoted to exploring the region and relaxing: you can go hiking, explore the surrounding villages, visit historic sites and enjoy the typical landscapes of the Aveyron; with the support of the supervisory team, you will also play an active role in organising activities (discussions, group games, karaoke nights, quizzes, musical performances or discussions on topics close to your hearts), and a highlight of the camp will be the organisation of the famous international meal, open to everyone, during which you will prepare traditional dishes from your country or region.



Location : La Fouillade is a commune in the Aveyron department, nestled in a green, rolling landscape near Villefranche-de-Rouergue, between Rodez and Albi, and about an hour and a half from Toulouse.

Closest train station: Laguérie station (82250).

Closest airports: Toulouse–Blagnac Airport.

Time and directions to the meeting point: We will pick you up at Laguérie station from 2 pm. You can easily catch a train from Toulouse–Matabiau station to Laguérie (the journey takes about 1 hour 10 minutes).

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THE REMAINS OF ARZELIERS

15/09 – 29/09

RENO 12 vols 18–30

PROJECT

For 20 years, volunteers from all over the world have been committed to preserving the remains of a former village in ruins. Will you be the next one to join the adventure? Located between the Alps and Provence, the ancient village of Arzeliers stands on a hill, offering a panoramic view of the Durance valley. There are remains of 12th-century buildings: a castle, a chapel, traces of fortifications, and several houses. For several years, in partnership with the municipality of Laragne, the association Les Villages des Jeunes has been working to maintain and promote the remains of the Arzeliers castle. The various works organized on this site aim to consolidate the ruins of this precious architectural work, while enriching its history through the intercultural encounters unique to international workcamps.

WORK

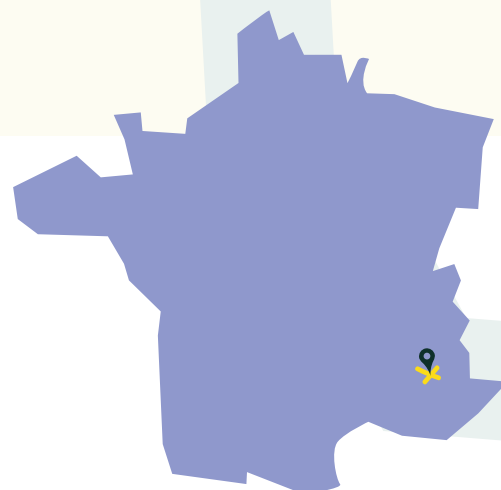
You will work on consolidating the stone masonry walls of the ruins of the ancient village of Arzeliers. After learning how to make plaster mortar, you will work on the top sections of the stone walls exposed to the elements. A local craftswoman will guide you in using the mortar on-site during workshops dedicated to preparing and firing traditional local plaster. Each day, two group members will take turns preparing the team's meals; the menu will be defined in advance. You will work on the site during the mornings from Monday to Friday. Generally, the work involves masonry, preparing tools and meals, as well as organizing and setting up collective life.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in individual tents at the municipal campsite. The site will be equipped with a large tent housing the kitchen and the group's collective meeting area during the stay. You will have access to the campsite's sanitary facilities and equipment. Here, we pay attention to our diet to reduce our environmental impact: we eat local food as much as possible and reduce our meat consumption to twice a week. Daily life is organized collectively: planning menus (vegetarian, vegan, etc.), grocery shopping, activities, etc. We organize trips for groceries, if necessary, using the vehicles available on site.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

You will enjoy the natural environment of the Laragnais area and its many easily accessible swimming spots, such as the Méouge or Riou gorges, or nearby towns like Sisteron. The mountainous landscape might make you want to go hiking. Discovering this place with a group of international volunteers will enrich your experience. Here, you will be the protagonists of your stay: you will play an important role in organizing your time with the support of the leadership team.



Location: The work site is located a few kilometers from the accommodation site, which you can reach on foot or by shuttle.

Closest train station: Laragne-Montéglin (05070).

Closest airport: Marseille – Provence.

Meeting point: Meeting point at Laragne-Montéglin train station on September 15th, 2026, from 3 pm onwards.



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AN ECOLOGICAL WORLD

18/10 – 02/11

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PROJECT

Vir'Volt stands for International Volunteer Village (in French). For 10 years, the organisation is located right in the middle of nature, near a regional park. Hosting youth from all around the world, learning how to understand and appreciate differences. To plan and act together to protect the environment. To create a positive impact on the surrounding environment and people living there or simply passing by. Here lie our goals for this future village, which each year, is built thanks to youths who come and contribute, with solidarity as their driving force. Vir'Volt also aims to become fully ecofriendly and sustainable which is reflected in our campsite; yurts and teepees as rooms, permaculture farming and gardening, water saving projects, reducing, and reusing waste. This small village will become great without sacrificing or damaging the surrounding environment whilst always searching better and more ecofriendly ways of living.

WORK

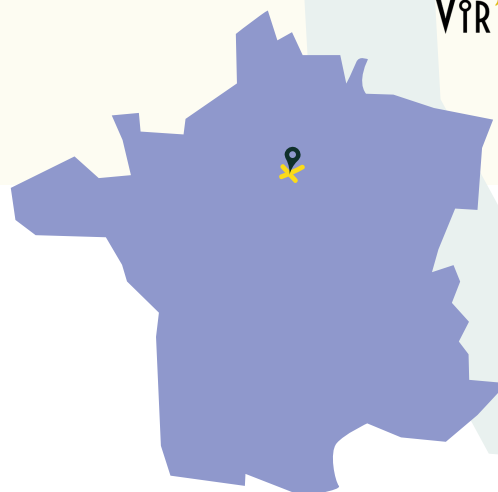
Together with the team leaders, you will imagine and build up animation and games about nature and environment, in direction of the children of the nearby leisure center. Games, debates, quizzes, come to teach young generation to understand and act on their environment!

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will sleep in and collective Yurts on the site of the association. One Yurt for girls, one Yurt for boys. The yurts are insulated and heated. Bedding with mattresses is available. Please bring a sleeping bag with you. The campsite has separate bathrooms and showers, as well as a kitchen place. Food will be provided and cooked by the volunteers in turns.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

You will have the chance to enjoy the association's campsite and to discover the cultural and natural heritage of the region which is part of a natural park. You will also help organise some activities to meet and socialize with local young people. Other leisure activities will be organised collectively depending on the wishes of the group and the available budget. On day in Paris is scheduled.



Location: La Ferté Alais is approximately 50km south of Paris, in the Essonne region

Closest train station: La Ferté Alais RER station

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

Time and directions to the meeting point: Association Vir'volt, Camping de la Sablière. Arrival between 2pm and 6pm.





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