



ESC WORKCAMPS

These workcamp are funded by the European Solidarity Corps. They are open to 18 to 30-year-old volunteers coming from EU and partner neighbouring countries that fit the ESC criteria.

We have 2 ongoing volunteering teams in high priority area projects:

- **HEAL** (Promoting HEALthy lifestyles to improve mental health and well-being), which aims to promote and experiment community living and healthy lifestyles in a post-Covid context.
- **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.

Region	Code	Title	Start date	End date	Туре	Vols	Age	Project
V'V	SJ/ESC01	Memory and heritage	29/04	12/05	CONS/ENVI	16	18-30	HEAL
AVJ	SJ/ESC11	Serres corniche walkway	24/05	07/06	RENO	10	18-30	HEAL
REV	SJ/ESC16	Ponds for frogs	03/07	24/07	ENVI/CONS	13	18-30	HEAL
CRE	SJ/ESC19	Rock'N'Wall 1	06/07	26/07	RENO/ENVI	12	18-30	HEAL
CDB	SJ/ESC20	At the time crossing	06/07	27/07	CONS/CULT	12	18-30	HEAL
AVJ	SJ/ESC25	In the duke's footsteps	09/07	23/07	RENO	11	18-30	HEAL
REV	SJ/ESC35	Rebuild the camp	24/07	07/08	RENO/CONS	12	18-30	REBUILD
GE	SJ/ESC46	Rebuild together Salm castle	02/08	17/08	CONS	12	18-30	HEAL
CDB	SJ/ESC47	Stone by stone	03/08	24/08	RENO/CONS	12	18-30	REBUILD
CRE	SJ/ESC50	Under the greenhouse	05/08	25/08	ENVI	15	18-30	HEAL
AVJ	SJ/ESC58	Urban planning in Orpierre	16/08	30/08	RENO/CONS	12	18-30	REBUILD
AVJ	SJ/ESC68	Arzeliers' castle	20/09	04/10	RENO	12	18-30	REBUILD
V'V	SJ/ESC73	An ecological world	21/10	04/11	ENVI/EDU	16	18-30	REBUILD

There is no registration fee. Transport costs will be reimbursed up to a lumpsum fixed according to the travelled distance. Pocket money of €6 per day will be distributed.

SJ/ESC01 MEMORY AND HERITAGE

29/04 - 12/05 CONS / ENVI 16 vols 18-30

PROJECT

Vir'Volt stands for InteRnational VolunTeer Village (in French). For10 years, the organisation has beenbased in the heart of nature, in the middle of a regional park. By welcoming young people from all over the world each year, the future village is being built around a number of different objectives: getting to know each other and learning from our differences, reflecting and acting together to protect the environment, but also having a positive impact on the surrounding area and people by putting solidarity at the heart of each of our actions. Vir'Volt also aims to become fully eco friendly 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 eco friendly ways of living.

WORK

During this workcamp, you'll helping renovate the wall of the cemetery in Boissy le Cutté, a small town 10 minutes from the association's premises. In small villages, the cemetery is an important place for people, a place of memory, a witness to the passing of time and the generations that have populated the surrounding villages but the wall is beginning to crumble. To help preserve France's heritage, the history of its people and its collective memory, you will be working with us to renovate part of the cemetery's perimeter wall by cleaning and removing joints and damaged areas and then rebuilding and applying mortar.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

Accommodation in non-mixed collective yurts in the village. The yurts are light, insulated and heated ecological dwellings. Please bring a sleeping bag. The accommodation has non-mixed toilets and showers, as well as a kitchen area. Food is provided and meals are prepared by the participants in turn.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

You can enjoy activities on the association's site, as well as discovering the cultural and natural heritage of the Parc du Gatinais. You will help to organise activities with young people from the town. Leisure activities will be organised collectively according to the possibilities and budget available. A day of cultural discovery in Paris is planned.



Location: La Ferté-Alais 91590 is approximately 50km south of Paris.

Closest train station: La Ferté-Alais RER. Accessible from Paris via RER line D.

Closest airports: Paris (Orly, Roissy-Charles de Gaulle, Beauvais).

Time and directions to the meeting point: We will meet you at the association's site, a 15-minute walk from the RER station, on Monday 29th April from 3.30pm.

THIS PROJECT SHOULD NOT BE SEEN AS A SIGHTSEEING TRIP TO PARIS. IF YOU WISH TO VISIT PARIS, YOU SHOULD DO SO BEFORE OR AFTER THE DATES OF THE WORKCAMP.





SJ/ESC11 SERRES CORNICHE WALKWAY

24/05 - 07/06 RENO 10 vols 18-30

PROJECT

Come and discover one of the small perched towns in the South of France, Serres in the Alps, which offers a magnificent panorama of the medium mountain range of the Baronnies Provençales! The town, leaning against the Pignolette rock, is made up of small shady medieval streets and covered and sloping passages in which it is good to stroll. At the top of this village and at the bend in the monks' path, is the chapel of Notre Dame de Bon Secours, which overlooks the Buëch valley. This building was erected in 1730 and blessed in 1732. Partly dug into the rock, it marries the hillside, on the presumed site of the former chapel of the castle of Serres.



The "sentier des Moines" (monks' path) winds along the hillside below the chapel; it is supported by dry stone retaining walls and has a stone-covered path, called a "calade" in southeast France. This year, it is a portion of the alley of Fusains which joins the path of the Monks. The goal is to rehabilitate the alley in dry stone in order to restore its initial aspect.

The following work will be undertaken: fishing and sorting of stones, earthwork and construction of the calade according to the very precise technique of dry stone construction (theoretical and practical contribution).

The workcamp will be supervised by a professional in dry stone construction techniques. A daily work of 6 hours is planned, the organization of the days will be discussed and decided by the group of participants.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in individual tents next to the municipal gymnasium of the small town. A team of animators will be present to accompany you in the organization of the collective life: planning of the household tasks, elaboration of the menus and preparation of the meals in turn (vegetarian, vegan and other specific diets possible), organization of the leisure activities and the outings. The purchase of local products is widely favored. Bring a mattress, a warm sleeping bag and a pillow.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

You can discover many major sites in the south of the Hautes-Alpes: Aujour mountain and Clausonne abbey, Saint-Genis mountain, the Méouge gorges, Orpierre site, the Riou lake where you can practice many sports activities (climbing, mountain biking, hiking, swimming in lakes and rivers).



Location: Serres 05700 is a small town in the South of France, nestled between the Alps and the Provence (30 km North of Sisteron, 140 km South of Grenoble).

Closest train station: Serres 05700. Access via Valence TGV, Valence ville, Grenoble, Marseille Saint-Charles and Aix en Provence train stations.

Closest airports: Marseille-Provence or Lyon-Saint Exupéry.

Time and directions to the meeting point: Serres train station at 3:30 or 7:30 pm. The camp leaders will drive you to the place of accommodation.



SJ/ESC16 PONDS FOR FROGS

03/07 - 24/07 ENVI / CONS 13 vols 18-30

PROJECT

The workcamp will take place at the REV's permanent home, a former vacation camp at an altitude of 1,200m. The site is located at the foot of Mont-Lozère in the heart of the Cévennes. The REV took over the site in the spring of 2022, and wants it to become a place of welcome, exchange and encounter. This project will be part of the transformation of the colony into a place where people, fauna and flora live together in harmony. This project invites you to reflect on the role and place of amphibians in the ecosystem of biodiversity, and more particularly on the question of their preservation. It will also be a great opportunity to create and expand your ecological awareness by participating in and creating these ponds, spaces of biodiversity.

WORK

The main aim of this workcamp will be to create ponds to host pockets of biodiversity on the REV association site. You will build these spaces with the advice of professionals from the Cévennes National Park. You'll create the spaces needed to hold the water (depth, width, tarpaulins, etc.) and plant the first plants needed to welcome amphibians and reptiles, for whom the pond is part of their natural habitat. You will work 25h/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 your 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 the French metropolises, Lozère is nonetheless a very dynamic region. The region's activities revolve around local festivities, concerts and unspoilt natural areas (mountains, rivers, forests).



Location: The project will take place in the south of Mont-Lozère, in a rural area. The nearest town is Mende 48000.

Closest train station:

Génolhac 30450. Accessible from Montpellier, Marseille via Nîmes station 30000.

Closest airports: Montpellier-Méditerranée or Marseille-Provence.

Time and directions to the meeting point: You should arrive at Genolhac station on Wednesday 3rd July between 4 and 6 p.m. It's a 40-minute drive from Genolhac station to the REV site.





SJ/ESC19 ROCK'N'WALL 1

06/07 - 26/07 RENO / ENVI 12 vols 18-30



PROJECT

Discover castle life in the heart of the Auvergne at Les Prureaux! But it's much more than just an experience: it's about living, laughing, sharing and above all contributing together! Come and play your part in the restoration of the wall that surrounds the estate! And take part in a project that is as local as it is historic: enhancing the value of a site typical of Bourbonnais agricultural activity and promoting the development of our international visitor centre.

WORK

This year, we'll be continuing the tradition by rehabilitating the estate's perimeter walls. Activities will include erecting the scaffolding, preparing the site by selecting the stones and setting up the formwork, assembling the stones, rehabilitating the base, creating the roof using small Bourbonnais tiles, applying a traditional finishing coat, and repairing the old stoneworks.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be staying at the Le Créneau campsite, in shared tents (6-8 people per tent) with wooden floors and beds. Wi-Fi is not available on site. Food will be provided and prepared in the castle's kitchen by the participants in groups.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Afternoons and weekends activities are organised with the whole group. Whether you prefer the hustle and bustle of the city, with Vichy and Moulins only forty kilometres away, or the rural charm of the area, you are free to explore the surrounding countryside on foot or by bike. Discover the picturesque landscapes, the rich local heritage, the passionate craftsmen and women, and treat yourself to a relaxing swim or take part in sporting activities, games and social outings.

Location: Montcombroux les Mines 03181, 45 km away from Moulins-sur-Allier.

Closest train station: Moulins-sur-Allier 03000.

Closest airports: Paris (Orly or Roissy-Charles de Gaulle) or Lyon-Saint Exupéry.

Time and directions to the meeting point: Let's meet on Saturday 6th July at 5 p.m. at Moulins-sur-Allier station, 4 rue Philippe Thomas 03000, Moulins-sur-Allier.





SJ/ESC20 AT THE TIME CROSSING

06/07 - 27/07 RENO / CULT 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

A green space where a river sings, Filain is a very small village seen as a "town of character". Its residents are looking forward to welcoming their very first international workcamp. This project corresponds with the goal "sustainable cities and communities" established by the UN. This includes discovering new and different ways of thinking and acting, sharing skills, investing oneself to develop an area and taking part in the collective life: there will be many possibilities to promote solidarity! Each workcamp offers unique experiences, so comeand make your own!

WORK

This international project will represent the first step in setting up a medieval garden. The town has just acquired unused land, with the idea of developing a whole complex there which would highlight the historic jewels of the city. Along the river, your work will consist of building a dry stone wall, approximately 6 hours a day in the morning. You will learn traditional stonework techniques. You will work as a team and participate in the tasks of collective life at the same time: cooking, cleaning, washing up, activities, etc.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in a community room reserved for your group, One room will serve as a collective sleeping space where you will sleep on camp beds, in mixed groups. Please bring your pilllow and sleeping bag! The place is equipped with a kitchen and WiFi. Accompanied by the camp leaders, you will make the menu and prepare the meals each day (vegetarian or vegan if asked). Showers and laundry will be done at residents' homes.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

In the afternoons or during the weekends, your group will initiate and organize the activities for the free time. The ideal programme will account for the wishes of everybody, the local possibilities (hiking, multi-sport field, historical visit to the village, national holiday, craft brewery, summer concerts, etc.) and the financial situation.

You can also rely on the support of the villagers to organize moments of exchange and they will be delighted to engage with you and to give advice on how to best discover the local environment and enjoy your stay.



Location: Filain 70230 is a town located 15 km from Vesoul and 42km from Besancon.

Closest train station: Vesoul 70000.

Closest airports: Basel-Mulhouse-Freiburg or Paris (Orly, Roissy-Charles de Gaulle, Beauvais).

Time and directions to the meeting point: Vesoul station
main entrance on the square
outside between 4 and 6 p.m.

THERE ARE ABSOLUTELY NO REQUIREMENTS IN TERMS OF LANGUAGE OR TECHNICAL ABILITIES. SIMPLY A BASE LEVEL OF PHYSICAL FITNESS IS NECESSARY, AS YOU WILL CARRY STONES TO BUILD THE WALL.



SJ/ESC25 IN THE DUKE'S FOOTSTEPS

09/07 - 23/07 RENO 11 vols 18-30

PROJECT

The Duke of Lesdiguières, the last Constable of France, is a military figure known for his participation in the Wars of Religion and for his involvement in the construction and development of roads, bridges, and dikes against flooding in the region. This castle was built between 1571 and 1580 and was abandoned after his death. It was looted during the French Revolution. The castle is listed in the supplementary inventory of Historic Monuments in 1978. In 2000, the Château de Lesdiguières association was created with the aim of safeguarding the historical, architectural, and cultural memory of the building. Since 2010, the various works that we have been organising on this site are aimed at securing and reinforcing the existing walls, but also at enhancing its value.



Since 2018, we have been working on the reinforcement of the stonework of an escarpment wall (defence wall). Over the years, this wall has suffered some damage and its stones are coming loose. With the help of the technical supervisor, we will work with old techniques and materials (such as lime). At certain times, we will work at height, using scaffolding. We will work around 30 hours per week.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in individual tents on the site of the Holy Family colony not far from the work site, located at the entrance to the Valgaudemar valley. We will have access to facilities such as toilets, barbecue, pétanque ground, WIFI. We will set up a large kitchen tent in order to prepare our meals (vegetarian, vegan and other specific diets possible). You will cook in turn, so that you can taste several specialties! Here, we pay attention to what we eat, to reduce our environmental impact, we try to eat a maximum of local products and we eat meat twice a week. The daily life is organized together: menus, shopping, activities, etc. The lunch will be cold as it will be taken on the construction site. Bring a mattress, a good sleeping bag (the nights can be cold) and a pillow. To be adapted to your needs.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

In the heart of the Ecrins National Park, between the Valgaudemar, Champsaur and Dévoluy valleys, your will be able to enjoy this exceptional environment! You can discover the pleasures of hiking in the mountains, its rivers and lakes, farmers' and producers' markets, and festive evenings organized in the surrounding villages (depending on the programme). As a group, we will decide which activities and discovery outings we will wish to organize.



Location: The village of Glaizil 05800. We are about 15 km from Saint Bonnet en Champsaur and 30 km from Gap 05000.

Closest train station: Gap 05000.

Closest airports: Marseille-Provence or Lyon-Saint Exupéry.

Time and directions to the meeting point: We will meet you at the Gap train station between 4 and 6 p.m.





SJ/ESC35 REBUILD THE CAMP

24/07 - 07/08 RENO / CONS 13 vols 18-30

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PROJECT

In the spring of 2022, the REV association settled into a former holiday camp in the heart of the Cévennes, at the foot of Mont-Lozère, with the aim of turning it into a place of welcome, exchange and encounter. This workcamp will be part of the project to transform the colony into a living space. With your work in building wooden and stone elements, you will help transform the site into a pleasant place where international volunteers, workcamp volunteers, visitors, locals and others can meet.

WORK

You'll be working with the REV team on landscaping and restoring part of the colony. More specifically, you'll be creating shade areas on the site, with constructions made of wood and branches. You'll also carry out minor masonry work where necessary. 25h/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 your 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 the French metropolises, Lozère is nonetheless a very dynamic region. The region's activities revolve around local festivities, concerts and unspoilt natural areas (mountains, rivers, forests).

Location: The project will take place in the south of Mont-Lozère, in a rural area. The nearest town is Mende 48000.

Closest train station:

Génolhac 30450. Accessible from Montpellier, Marseille via Nîmes station 30000.

Closest airports: Montpellier-Méditerranée or Marseille-Proyence

Time and directions to the meeting point: You should arrive at Genolhac station on Thursday 25th July between 4 and 6 p.m. It's a 40-minute drive from Genolhac station to the REV site.



SJ/ESC46
REBUILD TOGETHER SALM CASTLE

02/08 - 17/08 CONS 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

We offer you a collective and intercultural adventure in Alsace! Do you want to be part of it?

On the programme: a workcamp useful to the rural community, technical training, exchanges with local habitants, animation with young people from Alsace, co-prepared meals, the discovery of the Vosges of Alsace... And everything else we will build together!

The work will involve consolidating the wall of the "western curtain wall" of the castle ruin. The association aims to finish this old building site for the celebrations of the 800th anniversary of the castle, in 2025. In parallel, you will also have three days of activities with Solidarités Jeunesses, meeting young people from the area to bring interculturality to life through festive events!

WORK

Your work will involve removing and replacing one to three layers of facing, on both the internal and external faces but also removing the level to extract old blockages and purge old mortar. You will help to extract any roots in the facings. Finally, you will create a solid « ruin-like » rockwork binding the two faces of the facing and prospect on 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

You will be accommodated at Fouday (67130) in the Maison Louise Scheppler. You will sleep in rooms for 4 to 5 people or in a dormitory. Kitchen, toilets, washbasins, showers on site, sheets and pillows are provided. Please bring a sleeping bag. Food is provided and included in the budget. We will take it turns to prepare meals. We will favour local and/or organic purchases. We will limit our meat consumption to three times a week.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Hiking, horse riding, festivals, markets, museums, etc. We can organise together the activities we want to discover: there are many possibilities! We are surrounded by forests and pastures!



Location: La Broque 67130 is a commune located in the Bruche Valley, near the Massif du Champ du Feu. We are 50 km west from Strasbourg.

Closest train station: Fouday, 67130 or Saint-Blaise-la-Roche, 67420.

Closest airports: Paris (Orly, Roissy-Charles de Gaulle, Beauvais).

Time and directions to the meeting point: Let's meet
between 4 and 7 p.m. at Fouday
or Saint Blaise la Roche stations.







SJ/ESC47 STONE BY STONE

03/08 - 24/08 RENO / CONS 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

North of the plateau of the thousand ponds, the inhabitants of a village prized as a "town of character" are waiting with enthusiasm to welcome their second international workcamp. This project corresponds with the goal "sustainable cities and communities" established by the UN. This includes discovering new and different ways of thinking and acting, sharing skills, investing oneself to develop an area and taking part in the collective life: there will be many possibilities to promote solidarity! Each workcamp offers unique experiences, so come to Faucogney-et-la-merand make your own!

WORK

In this charming village of Haute-Saone there are, on the banks of the river, two old washing-places, one of which was restored a few decades ago. Entirely made of concrete, it is currently not an attractive space. The town would like to improve this area for passing hikers, by making this a sheltered place of rest or restoration. Your work will consist of constructing stone paving, approximately 6hrs per day. You will learn techniques of traditional stonework. You will envolve as a team and at the same time participate in different tasks of collective life: cooking, cleaning, dish washing, activities etc.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be housed in a big communal building reserved for your group. One room will serve as the collective sleeping space withcamp beds, in gender diversity. Please bring your pillow and sleeping bag! The place is equipped with a kitchen. Accompanied by the camp leaders, you will make the menu and prepare the meals each day (vegetarian or vegan if asked). You will be able to take showers at the houses of locals, or at the gymnasium of the town. To wash your laundry you will also rely on the villagers.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

In the afternoons or during the weekends, your group will initiate and organize the activities for the free time. The ideal programme will account for the wishes of everybody, the local possibilities (brewery of the village, hikes, night walks, summer concerts, etc) and financial side of things.

You can also rely on the support of the villagers to organize moments of exchange and they will be happy to engage with you and to give advice on how to best discover the local environment, plan games and enjoy your stay.



Location: The commune of Faucogney-et-la-mer 70310 is situated at 50km from Vesoul and at 20km from Lure.

Closest train station: Vesoul 70000.

Closest airports: Basel-Mulhouse-Freiburg or Paris (Orly, Roissy-Charles de Gaulle, Beauvais).

Time and directions to the meeting point: Vesoul station
main entrance on the square
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SJ/ESC50 UNDER THE GREENHOUSE

05/08 - 25/08 ENVI 15 vols 18-30



Come and join our cosmopolitan team who have made the Prureaux estate their home, coming from all around the globe to live as a collective. Our ambitious and exciting project is to restore and maintain the jewel at the heart of the estate: the Château des Prureaux! Join us on this adventure!

The environmental centre of our estate includes a farm, a vegetable garden, an orchard and a garden. Through these areas, we are experimenting with the principles of permaculture, with the aim of transforming the estate into a harmonious, productive and self-sufficient ecosystem, naturally regenerated and respectful of the nature and all its inhabitants. Together with you, we are preparing to build a greenhouse and collect rainwater to improve the management of the plantation.

WORK

This year, we'll be building a greenhouse using as many recycled materials as possible. Measuring around 2.5m high by 5m long and 2m wide, we'll be using our know-how and creativity to build this beautiful shelter in an environmentally-friendly way. We'll be recycling wood and barnum that couldn't withstand the wind, as well as other reusable materials! Sorting out the different materials, cutting, adapting and carrying will be the order of the day. Heavy loads and a fair amount of handling are to be expected.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be staying at the Le Créneau campsite, in shared tents (6-8 people per tent) with wooden floors and beds. Wi-Fi is not available on site. Food will be provided and prepared in the castle's kitchen by the participants in groups.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

Afternoons and weekends are planned collectively with the group leaders. If you want to discover the cities around, Vichy and Moulins are 45 kms away. If you'd rather have a nice walk in nature, the surroundings are perfect for hiking, landscape seeing, discovering local markets, swimming, and enjoying sports activities and games.



Location: Montcombroux les Mines 03181, 45 km away from Moulins-sur-Allier.

Closest train station: Moulinssur-Allier 03000.

Closest airports: Paris (Orly or Roissy-Charles de Gaulle) or Lyon-Saint Exupéry.

Time and directions to the meeting point: Let's meet on Monday 5th August at 5 p.m. at Moulins-sur-Allier station, 4 rue Philippe Thomas 03000, Moulins-sur-Allier.





SJ/ESC58 URBAN PLANNING IN ORPIERRE

16/08 - 30/08 RENO / CONS 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

Come and have fun in the village of Orpierre, known worldwide for its climbing site. This year, the town hall of Orpierre, the association Les Villages des Jeunes and the Parc Baronnies Regional Park wish to continue the campaign to preserve and enhance the ancient built heritage of the village. For summer 2024, the town hall would like us to rehabilitate a low dry stone wall in a pedestrian alley in the old village.

WORK

You will start by clearing the site to allow a better view and thus free the stones of the low wall to rebuild it according to the drystone construction technique (without mortar) by showing creativity to make the place as pleasant as possible. We will work around 30 hours per week. Evenings and weekends are free for activities that you will choose and organise together.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in individual tents at the campsite Les Catoyes in the town of Sainte Colombe, 4km from the work camp (the journeys between the site and the campsite will be made by minibus). You will take part in turn in the different missions of daily life according to a planning that you will define with the animation team. These missions are to make sure that the camp is clean, to elaborate the menus, to do the shopping (local products are preferred), to prepare the meals for the group (vegetarian, vegan and other specific diets are possible), to organise the leisure activities and outings. Lunches will be cold because it will be taken on the site. Bring a mattress, a good sleeping bag (the nights can be cold) and a pillow. To be adapted according to your needs.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

You will will enjoy the natural environment of Orpierre and in particular of its 500 climbing routes which allow all beginners as well as experienced climbers to enjoy themselves. You will be able to take advantage of the numerous bathing places very easily accessible, like the gorges of the Méouge or Riou. You will have the leisure to hike in the surrounding massifs and to initiate you to many mountain sports (via ferrata, climbing, etc.). As a group, you will decide on the activities and discovery outings you wish to set up.



Location: The village of Orpierre 05700 is 14km west of Laragne Montéglin.

Closest train station: Laragne-Montéglin 05300. Access via
Grenoble or Marseille Saint-Charles train stations. Carpooling is also possible to Laragne because the city is on the road between
Grenoble and Marseille.

Closest airports: Marseille-Provence or Lyon-Saint Exupéry.

Time and directions to the meeting point: The meeting times at the Laragne-Montéglin train station will be communicated to you on the route map.



SJ/ESCG8 ARZELIERS' CASTLE

20/09 - 04/10 RENO 12 vols 18-30

PROJECT

At the gateway to the Provençal Baronnies, the site of Arzeliers stands on a small mountain with a beautiful view over the Durance valley. This ancient, ruined village is the cradle of the commune of Laragne: the remains of a chapel and the ruins of several houses can still be found there. For several years, the commune of Laragne has been working to bring the remains of the Arzeliers castle to life, maintain and develop them. Since 2013, international youth volunteer workcamps have been organised for this purpose with the Les Villages des Jeunes associations.

WORK

The work in 2022 allowed us to work on the enhancement of the site thanks to the recovery of the plaster that was used as mortar in the walls that had collapsed. This year, we will be able to discover the cycle of this local material. You will help to make a "peasant plaster" mortar and to restore the walls of a building in order to consolidate them and prevent them from deteriorating further. A specialised technical supervisor will be at your side to give you advice and techniques. You will work approximately 30 hours per week.

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will be accommodated in individual tents that we will provide you at the municipal campsite of Laragne-Montéglin. A mobile home will be at your disposal to cook and to have access to sanitary facilities. You will take turns to cook, so that we can taste several specialities! Here, we pay attention to what we eat, to reduce our environmental impact, we try to eat a maximum of local products and we eat meat twice a week. The daily life is organized together:organisation of menus (vegetarian, vegan and other specific diets are possible), shopping, activities, etc. Bring a good sleeping bag (the nights can be very cold in September) and a pillow. To be adapted to your needs.

HEAL Les Villages des Jeunes

Location: Laragne-Montéglin 05300 is a small town in the Hautes-Alpes.

Closest train station: Laragne-Montéglin 05300. Access via
Grenoble or Marseille Saint-Charles train stations. Carpooling is also possible to Laragne because the city is on the road between
Grenoble and Marseille.

Closest airports: Marseille-Provence or Lyon Saint-Exupéry.

Time and directions to the meeting point: The meeting times at the Laragne-Montéglin train station will be communicated to you on the route map.

LEISURE ACTIVITIES

With the animation team, you will be able to discover this beautiful region during hikes, swimming trips and/or relaxation in lakes or gorges. During the evenings, games, barbecues, meetings with the locals, international meals or just relaxing will be possible. It is up to you to choose your programme. You will be in the heart of the Parc des Baronnies Provençales to discover the pleasures of hiking in the mountains, its rivers, its lakes, the medieval heritage, the farmers' and producers' markets, the festive evenings organised in the surrounding villages (according to the programme). As a group, you will decide on the activities and discovery outings you wish to organise.



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PROJECT

Vir'Volt stands for InteRnational VolunTeer Village (in French). For10 years, the organisation has beenbased in the heart of nature, in the middle of a regional park. By welcoming young people from all over the world each year, the future village is being built around a number of different objectives: getting to know each other and learning from our differences, reflecting and acting together to protect the environment, but also having a positive impact on the surrounding area and people by putting solidarity at the heart of each of our actions. Vir'Volt also aims to become fully eco friendly 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 eco friendly ways of living.



During this workcamp, you will take part in the building of ecological furnitures and items that will help biodiversity of the site (insect hostels, bird houses...). Together with the team leaders, you will imagine and create animations and games about nature and environnement, for the childen of the nearby leisure center. Games, debates, quizz, come teach young generation to understand and act on their environnement!

ACCOMMODATION AND FOOD

You will sleep in collective Yurts, non-mixed on the campsite of the association. Please bring a sleeping bag. 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 in order 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 91590 is approximately 50km south of Paris.

Closest train station: La Ferté-Alais RER. Accessible from Paris via RER line D.

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

Time and directions to the meeting point: We will meet you at the association's site, a 15-minute walk from the RER station, on Monday 21st October from 3.30pm.

THIS PROJECT SHOULD NOT BE SEEN AS A SIGHTSEEING TRIP TO PARIS. IF YOU WISH TO VISIT PARIS, YOU SHOULD DO SO BEFORE OR AFTER THE DATES OF THE WORKCAMP.



