

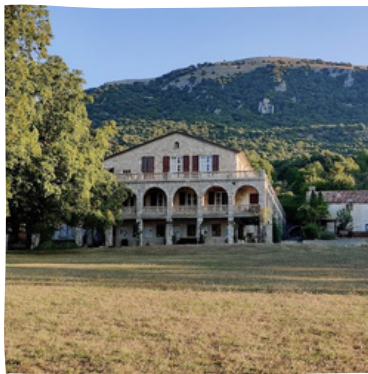


ACTIVITY DESCRIPTION : EUROPEAN VOLUNTEER – ESC

BIODIVERSITY CONSERVATION & EDUCATION

FROM APRIL 2024, FOR A PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS

Les Courmettes is a natural site of 600ha in a Natura 2000 area. Located nearby Nice, scientific studies and monitorings are implemented along side actions to raise awareness and train people. The European volunteers, under the direction of the nature activities manager, will participate in protecting this rich site by reconciling both nature conservation and welcoming the public. Volunteers will develop competences in environmental education, scientific studies and natural site management.



Le domaine des Courmettes



The ocellated Lizard, threatened



Orchids monitoring

MISSIONS

Volunteers will take part in :

- raising awareness with the public through different media (panels, discussion, educational tools etc.)
- species and habitat studies (fieldwork, data analysis etc.)
- maintenance and management actions (trail marking, site defence etc.)
- learning French (10% of the time) and communicating about the ESC through different media (10% - video, stands, articles)
- tasks related to the proper functioning of the Les Courmettes centre: welcoming visitors, maintenance of the estate and its park, various tasks related to community life, cooking, etc. (30%)

ACCOMODATION, FOOD AND TRANSPORT ARRANGEMENT

Volunteers are housed at the Courmettes centre, which is also the logistical base for the projects, A Rocha France's head office and the hub for running the life of the team. Rooms are shared (1 to 2 people of the same sex per room). Lunch and supper, prepared by a cook, are eaten together at fixed times during the week with the team and any other participants. When the cook is absent, team members take turns to prepare meals. Breakfasts are self-service. Vegetarian diets can be offered. Cars are available (with a fee) to get around.



PARTICIPANT PROFILE

- real interest in raising awareness and protecting the environment
- enjoying rural life, contact with people and flora and fauna. Meaning sometimes putting up with difficult weather conditions and being ready to welcome visitors at Les Courmettes and talk about the site's regulations.
- taking initiative in the tasks they undertake and following them through to completion
- basic knowledge of French and a driving license are an advantage for the volunteers

PRACTICAL INFOS

Location

Domaine des Courmettes
06140 Tourrettes-sur-Loup, France

Date

12 months, starting in April 2024

Organisation

35h/week, every other weekend and public holidays

Positions to be filled

2 positions / open to young European citizens from outside of France

Send resume and motivation (with two references) to Charlotte Léon, nature department manager:
charlotte.leon@arocha.org

Field work training is provided for the volunteer throughout project such as: species identification skills, protocols, use of observation tools and other field equipment. Training in welcoming public and environmental education will be provided on arrival.