

Project details

Code: EST 19-18

Date: 2018-07-10 / 2018-08-01

Total places: 1

Age: 19 - 30

Name: IMASTU

Type of work: Social project (SOCI)

Country: ESTONIA

Location: TAPA

Address: TAPA

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 0.0 EUR

Languages: English, English

Description

Partner:

Give your hand and heart to disabled young people ProjectImastu Residential School is an institution for mentally handicapped children and youngsters. It caters for over 100 kids and young adults aged 5 to 35 with serious mental and genetic diseases. Most of them are orphans. Youngsters are divided into 5 family groups where they live under supervision of staff. Children attend a special school arranged for them in Imastu. Since 1994 Imastu has been hosting international workcamps in summer and since 1999 - long-term volunteers to assist staff with daily work, bringing new ideas and approaches to the daily routine. Volunteers are wanted to support staff and assist work with kids, especially in summer when it is possible to offer a lot more diverse outdoor activities for kids. See more about Imastu Residential School on <http://www.hoolekandeteenused.ee/imastu/pages/galerii.php> Workcamp in Imastu is the eldest in EstYES i we have been hosting volunteers there for 25 years

Work:

Looking after the youngsters, helping staff in teaching basic skills, playing with them, arranging their outings, assisting in all other required activities. Each volunteer will work in the own family group. Volunteers will work under supervision and with assistance of local staff about 35 hours a week, 2 days a week are free.

Accommodation and food:

On beds and mattresses in the shared room (which is usually used as music class) in the building of the Institution. Bed-sheets, blankets, pillows, towels will be provided, so you do not need to bring your sleeping bag. Shower and toilets is in the corridor, shared with the staff. You will eat together with the staff in local canteen or in your family groups. There is fridge and limited possibility to make own food. There is also staff meeting room, which can be used to spend evenings together.

Location and leisure:

LocationImastu is a very tiny village. It lies 90km east from Tallinn and 25km west from Rakvere, the administrative center of the area. The nearest city is Tapa (3km), large railway junction with about 10 000 inhabitants. Useful links: www.tapa.ee and www.visitestonia.com for general information about the country. TerminalAirport, harbour, coach station in Tallinn; train to Tapa.LEISUREImastu is laying in a picturesque landscape: fields, forests, lakes and unspoiled nature. It is the ideal area for hiking and cycling tours. Excursions to places of interest in the capital Tallinn, Rakvere (est.1226), Lahemaa National Park as well as trips to the seaside (30km from Imastu) are easy to arrange.

Requirements:

You have to be really motivated and committed to the work with physically and mentally disabled young people. Some previous experience or special knowledge is an advantage. Although English is the camp language, some knowledge of Estonian or Russian will make communication with locals easier

Additional information

Location:

TAPA

How to get

Airport: TLL

Bus/train station: Tapa

Project details

Code: EST 21-18

Date: 2018-07-16 / 2018-08-05

Total places: 1

Age: 18 - 30

Name: LEPANIIDI FARM II

Type of work: Agriculture (AGRI)

Country: ESTONIA

Location: KAINA

Address: KAINA

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 40.0 EUR

Languages: English, English

Description

Partner:

Hiiumaa according to the Nordic sagas emerged from the Baltic Sea as a small islet more than 10 000 years ago. The island of Hiiumaa was first mentioned in historical documents as a deserted island called Dageida in 1228. The first inhabitants settled down at the end of the 13th century. Nowadays Hiiumaa is the second biggest island of Estonia with the area of 965 sq. km and the population around 10 000. It has many historical and nature sights, and there are kind people known for their hospitality and good sense of humor. The island is referred as a remote area of Europe, so EstYES feels particularly proud developing international voluntary projects for 15 years there. Also, for years EstYES has been cooperating with farms all over Estonia for solidarity, respect and practical support to local people who work in agricultural sector keeping traditional life style and developing new eco-farming despite of all difficulties. Lepaniidi Farm is one of such projects. This is an organic farm promoting sustainable lifestyle, and this camp is proposed for volunteers who appreciate and share its values, want to learn more about it and to help hard working people.

Work:

Lepaniidi Farm has currently 20 goats, 8 of them are for milk and goat cheese production. Volunteers will be helping grazing, feeding, milking the goats, processing the milk, but also picking berries and vegetables. Thus in the mornings and evenings there will be milking the goats, at days - picking the berries and fruits (raspberries and blackberries) and making a jam. Some days there will be work in vegetable garden, removing weeds, picking beetroots, etc. During the autumn shift volunteers will be mainly picking up and sorting vegetables (potatoes, carrots, beetroots), milking goats and making cheese. Participants will have a great chance to get familiar with various farm jobs and even to learn how to make goat cheese. The working day will be 5-7 hours, 5-6 days a week. Work will be supervised by local hosts with whom volunteers will stay sharing work and leisure as a family.

Accommodation and food:

The accommodation conditions at the farm will be simple - in old granary, however on beds. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available; there is also traditional Estonian sauna in the farm. There is a kitchen with necessary equipment for cooking, which volunteers may use freely i just like at home. Usually volunteers will have breakfasts and lunch together with farmers cooked and served by the hosts, while dinners will be prepared on their own.

Location and leisure:

Location Hiiumaa Island, Kaina parish, Ristivalja village, Lepaniidi farm. Hiiumaa Island is in the west of Estonia, 140 km from Tallinn. More information on www.hiiumaa.ee or www.visitestonia.com Terminal Airport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. From the airport bus nr 2 going to the city centre stops by the Tallinn Bus Station. From there two times per day buses take you straight to Hiiumaa (including ferry transportation from the mainland). Timetables are available online at www.tpilet.ee LEISURE There are lot of nice natural picturesque sights in the area. Sea coast is 7km away from the working place and there are good possibility take the bicycles and go to swim. It is possible to visit other parts of Hiiumaa Island on weekend. Hiiumaa offers a lot of events on weekends in summer. Hosts plan to arrange some tours around the island. This camp is absolutely suitable for people who enjoy nature and are interested in traditional ways of rural living.

Requirements:

Special requirements Motivation letter is required. You have to be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the common life in the country side of Estonia and be willing to do farm work, which can be hard sometimes. Not suitable for lactose allergic participants since host offers a lot of dairy products. NB Smoking and drinking alcohol is not allowed in this camp PARTICIPATION FEEDue to lack of communal resources for this camp we ask participants to contribute 40 Euros towards the costs of the general administration. This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp. If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Additional information

Location:

KAINA

How to get

Airport: TLL**Bus/train station:** Kardla

Project details

Code: EST 23-18

Date: 2018-07-23 / 2018-08-05

Total places: 1

Age: 18 - 30

Name: KRIUSILLA FARM II

Type of work: Environmental (ENVI)

Country: ESTONIA

Location: ANJA

Address: ANJA

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 30.0 EUR

Languages: English, English

Description

Partner:

How honey is made? Come to find out and taste! For many years EstYES has been cooperating with farms around Estonia to demonstrate solidarity and respect and to support local people who work in agricultural sector keeping traditional and developing eco-farming despite of all difficulties. Kriusilla Farm is one of them. This is the organic farm dealing with traditional bees-keeping and promoting sustainable lifestyle. So this camp is proposed for volunteers who appreciate and share eco-values, want to learn more about it and to help hard working people. This camp follows positive experience of the camps of four previous years.

Work:

Kriusilla is a small farm dealing mainly with beekeeping and forestry. So the volunteers will be to participate in forestry work (cleaning and weeding forestry, planting trees, building wood construction) but also collecting honey, cleaning and improve bee houses, possibly helping to build new ones. There can be also some light odd jobs in the house, building and gardening. The working day will be 5-7 hours depending on weather conditions.

Accommodation and food:

The accommodation conditions on the farm will be simple, however beds are provided. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available. There is kitchen with all necessary equipment for cooking. Volunteers will be served food cooked by the hosts.

Location and leisure:

The farm is located in Anija Community of Harjumaa County. Distance from Tallinn is about 40 km. More information on www.visitestonia.com LEISURE There are a lot of leisure time possibilities in the area for people enjoying nature and interested in sustainable way of living. There are many interesting locally important natural sites in the area. There is Jagala River 4 km away, picturesque lakes about 20 km away and the sea 40 km away. Short trips in the area are planned by hosts. It is easy and therefore quite possible to go to Tallinn on your own in the free time. Besides there will be some local festivities in the villages nearby (www.voose.ee; www.viikingitekyla.ee; www.korvemaa.ee/en; <https://anijamois.ee/>). In June volunteers will participate in Mid-summer festivities, which is perhaps the liveliest, the biggest and the most important festivity in Estonia widely celebrated all over the country.

Requirements:

You have to be open-minded and be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the rural life and be ready to do farm work, which can be hard sometimes. NB Obviously, the volunteers should not be afraid of or be allergic to bees. There are 3 children in the family of Kriusilla Farm, and participants are welcome to spend some time with them sharing their culture and languages. PARTICIPATION FEE Due to lack of communal resources for this camp we ask participants to contribute 30 Euro towards the costs of general administration. This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp. If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Additional information

Location:

ANJA

How to get

Airport: TLL

Bus/train station: Tallinn

Project details

Code: EST 24-18

Date: 2018-07-24 / 2018-08-03

Total places: 2

Age: 18 - 30

Name: KODADE TOURIST FARM

Type of work: Environmental (ENVI)

Country: ESTONIA

Location: HANILA

Address: HANILA

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 30.0 EUR

Languages: English, English

Description

Partner:

Come and work for nature and sustainable living in Matsalu National Park. Project Kodade cottage and Matsalu Creative Space are social enterprise initiatives which aim to sustain cultural heritage and to provide a rich variety of nature tourism services and active tourism services in the setting of unique wild nature. We also aim to provide work opportunities for people living in rural area. We have created a unique environment for creative camps, study camps and various types of events. We value sustainable living and align our activities with Matsalu National Park value system. Matsalu National Park has been created to protect migratory birds and is one of the most important protection areas of nesting and stop-over of coastal birds in Europe. In addition to bird protection Matsalu protects specific semi-natural habitats (coastal meadows and broods; woody meadows; reed bed and small islands) as well as the cultural heritage of the Vainameri sea <https://kaitsealad.ee/eng/matsalu-national-park>

Work:

We offer a wide range of activities to our volunteers i mostly in the field of maintenance and development of the visitor site and the territory but also related to nature conservation in the surrounding area. The range of activities that the volunteers can undertake: tidying up the area surrounding the camping houses, cutting down the bushes, works with soil and creating flowerbeds around the Matsalu Creative Space; creating resting places and playground areas for kids, repainting the 6 camping houses, rearranging the attic. It is also possible to build traditional stonewalls, cut down junipers, pick herbs, create nest boxes for birds or create local nature produce. People into thinking jobs could challenge themselves to write us an international marketing plan or a part of it. We are mostly able to supervise these works ourselves but we are happy to include expert supervisors in specific fields. The working time each day could be approximately 6-7 full hours which can vary depending on the daily leisure activities and weather conditions. Most of these activities will take place outdoors, but we will take weather conditions into account.

Accommodation and food:

The accommodation is good - at Kodade holiday cottage (<http://www.kodade.ee/en/kodade-puhkemaja/maja-kirjeldus>) or at small camping houses (<http://www.kodade.ee/en/loov-ja-kulastuskeskus/kojakesed>). We also provide bed linen and towels. There is a kitchen with all necessary equipment for cooking and the use of sauna. Food will be provided from local farms nearby. Volunteers will be served food cooked by locals for lunches during the week days otherwise it has to be cooked by the volunteers.

Location and leisure:

LocationKodade Creative Space is located in Salevere Kula, Hanila parish, Parnumaa county. Salevere is situated in the western part of Estonia, approximately 140km from Tallinn. More information available on the following websites www.hanila.ee; www.kodade.ee TerminalAirport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn. From the airport, bus nr 2 going to the city centre stops at the Tallinn Bus Station. From bus station buses to Kuressaare go several times per day, taking you straight to Virtsu Sadam where volunteers will be picked up by camp host. Timetables are available online at www.tpilet.eeLEISUREhere are a lot of interesting natural picturesque sights on the area as well as possibilities for swimming in the sea or hiking in the forest. It is possible to choose whether to visit other parts of Laane-ja Parnumaa - Haapsalu ja Parnu (www.visitestonia.com/en/where-to-go/west-estonia/haapsalu; www.visitparnu.com/en/ www.facebook.com/visithaapsalu/or Saaremaa (www.visitsaaremaa.ee/en/) which is planned by the host. The volunteers can visit more than one place for a modest extra fee. Matsalu itself offers a lot of various cultural events in summer. Furthermore there is a possibility to go on extra tours i such as nature walk, bicycle tour or boat tour on Kasari River. Nearby there are two stables who provide horseback riding (www.massuratsaklubi.ee ja www.rannarantso.ee). In addition we can organise workshops and trainings with people from various fields of life. This camp

Requirements:

Special requirementsYou have to be open-minded, creative and ready to adapt to a simple conditions of the common life in the countryside of Estonia. Please consider that the work is mainly physical, can be hard or sometimes repetitive. PARTICIPATION FEEDue to lack of communal resources for this camp we ask participants to contribute 30 Euro towards the costs of the general administration. This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp. If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Additional information

Location:

HANILA

How to get

Airport: TLL**Bus/train station:** Virtsu

Project details

Code: EST 25-18

Date: 2018-07-30 / 2018-08-24

Total places: 1

Age: 18 - 30

Name: ALLIKSAARE FARM IV

Type of work: Environmental (ENVI)

Country: ESTONIA

Location: KAINA

Address: KAINA

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 40.0 EUR

Languages: English, English

Description

Partner:

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Work:

Alliksaare Farm main direction is cattle and milk farming. The main work will be to take care and maintain the pastures located by the sea (clearing around the pastures, building or removing fences, repairing fences). Another work is cleaning the coast nereby the farm from rubbish brought by storms. Occasionally there can be some work for preparing food for cows for winter time. Also there will be a need to help the host milking the cows as it has to be done two times per day. The work will be mainly outdoors, depending on the weather. The working time will be around 6-8 hours a day. Work will be done under the supervision of the local host.

Accomodation and food:

The accommodation conditions are very simple in caravans, however beds are provided. Please bring your sleeping bag. Toilets and showers are available on site. There is a kitchen with all necessary equipment for cooking. Ingredients for food will be provided. Volunteers will be served food cooked by locals for lunches during the week days otherwise it has to be cooked by the volunteers.

Location and leisure:

Location Alliksaare farm is located in Nurste Kula, Emmaste parish, Hiiumaa island. Hiiumaa is situated in the western part of Estonia, approximately 130km from Tallinn. More information available on the following websites: www.emmaste.ee, www.hiiumaa.ee, www.visitestonia.com LEISURE There are a lot of interesting natural picturesque sights on the island as well as good possibilities for swimming in the sea or hiking in the forest. It is possible to visit other parts of Hiiumaa island on the week-end, which is planned by the host. Hiiumaa offers a lot of various cultural events in summer time and volunteers will have the possibility to join some of them. This camp is perfect for people who enjoy being close to the nature and are interested in traditional way of rural living.

Requirements:

Special requirements You have to be open-minded and be ready to adapt to the simple conditions of the common life in the countryside of Estonia. Please consider that the work is mainly farm work which can be hard sometimes. Stay in this camp requires certain level on independency. It is very good if you have some technical skills. Having driving licence is an advantage. It would be good if you have some experience in horse riding and/or cows milking. Camp is not suitable for people with allergy, especially lactose allergy since the host offers a lot of milk products. Smoking is not permitted on the farm. PARTICIPATION FEEDue to lack of communal resources for this camp we ask participants to contribute 40 Euro towards the costs of the general administration. This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp. If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Additional information

Location:

KAINA

How to get

Airport: TLL**Bus/train station:** Kardla

Project details

Code: EST 32-18

Date: 2018-08-11 / 2018-08-21

Total places: 16

Age: 18 - 30

Name: PILISTVERE

Type of work: Manual work (MANU)

Country: ESTONIA

Location: PILISTVERE

Address: PILISTVERE

Email:

Phone Number:

Web:

Fee: 40.0 EUR

Languages: English, English

Description

Partner:

Make new friends helping local people in the heart of EstoniaProjectPilistvere is small village in the center of Estonia. Although small it is full of life in summer: several activities make local people busy, and all visitors are warmly welcome to participate Village is known for the rich history, beautiful landscape mixed pure nature: forests, springs, rivers and small riverlakes. The aim of the project is support life in a countryside through diversity of culture and experience. Also we hope to encourage understanding between different cultures and pass strong message about voluntary service around. Local community - young people and adults - of this rural area will be involved to the project for work, leisure and (inter)cultural activities.

Work:

Work will include landscaping, clearing and tidying up green areas and objects of local importance in the village such as taking care of old historical cemetery, work around the local pastorate, etc. It is also possible to participate in local youngster s social-enterprise summer cafeteria. The working day will be 5-7 hours, 6 days. Work will be done under supervision of local technical leaders. Work is mainly physical and outdoors. Local young people will be joining international volunteers for work and leisure time.

Accommodation and food:

Work and accommodation will take place in Pilistvere Pastorate which also acts as camp and seminar centre. Volunteers will sleep in beds but please bring your sleeping bag or bed-sheets. Toilets and showers are available, as well as kitchen with necessary equipment for cooking. Volunteers will have to make breakfast on their own while the rest of the meals will be cooked and served by the local staff. We ask you to bring some snacks for the international evening if possible.

Location and leisure:

LocationPilistvere, a village of Viljandi County, lies in central-Estonia, half way from Tallinn to Tartu, where the main road turns to Viljandi. Distance from Tallinn is 140km, from Tartu - 70km, from Viljandi - 40 km. More information: www.viljandimaa.ee , www.visitestonia.comTerminalAirport, harbour, bus station in Tallinn, bus to Poltsamaa, where locals will pick up the volunteers.LEISURESwimming in lakes and rivers, hiking to marshes, playing ball games with local youth, partying, joining local festivities and, of course, enjoying vivid international atmosphere of this large camp. It is planned to visit some Estonian towns and participate local festivals. This camp is absolutely suitable for people who enjoy rural life and want to learn more about history and culture of Estonia staying right in the heart of it

Requirements:

Special requirementsVolunteers should be interested in rural life, be ready to participate in the discussions about rural development and to interact local young people. It will be appreciated if volunteers can tell about national voluntary practices and youth work for the benefit of the local development in their own countries. As the work can be quite physical sometimes, the volunteers should be in a good physical shape. Camp is organized by Estonian Lutheran Church Pilistvere congregation, so religious acceptance is appreciated.PARTICIPATION FEEDue to lack of communal resources for this camp we ask participants to contribute 40 Euro each towards the costs of general administration. This fee has to be paid by bank transfer before the beginning of the camp. If you cannot make bank transfer please contact your sending organization for solution.

Additional information

Location:

PILISTVERE

How to get

Airport: TLL**Bus/train station:** Poltsamaa