

Referencia: 105

Code: U39A Year: 2011

Name: CHANTELLE

Location: CLERMONT-FERRAND

Address:

Url: www.unarec.org

Project: ENVI-RENO - Environmental-Restoration

Initial Date: 03/08/2011 Final Date: 23/08/2011 Min Age: 18 Max Age: 30

Places: 1

Description of Workcamp: U39-A Chantelle 3 (Chantelle) 03/08- 23/08 Envi/Reno 12 +18

The project :

Protect and valorise the natural and cultural ressources of forest gorges!  
The Allier general council manages the sensitive natural area of the Bouble Gorges and has begun the reopening and the maintenance of abandoned fields (meadows, vineyard terraces), filled with weeds. Located below the Chantelle village and its abbey, it is also a great place for walking and for raising public awareness on natural heritage.

For this, the several workcamps will aim at renovating a small cottage in stones and low walls linked to former pastures. The project 's goals are :

- Safeguarding built heritage attesting of past agricultural practices
- Helping the future re-opening of past pastures and thus preserving pasture-related flora
- Making people rediscover the ancien canal.

Local volunteers will be part of the team: they will tell you about and make you discover their region !

For more information on the Bouble Gorges : <http://www.allier.fr/84-les-gorges-de-la-bouble.htm>

Works : You will work to safeguard the built heritage on former pastures.

It will consist of several stages : renovation of a stone cottage covered with vegetation, rebuilding of low walls, repairing an old gate. Volunteers will participate to different kinds of work : weed clearing, removing broken walls, traditional masonry (lime), carpentry and roofing, lime slab making, painting and small mending of the gate.

Caution : you will not participate to all of this. There are 4 successive workcamps on the site from June to September and each one will realise a part of the work.

Activities : On your arrival, leaders will propose several activities; but your ideas are welcome and everything can be discussed. So be imaginative, the workcamp is a place for having fun! We don't expect you to do activities on your own. You will live an experience in a group, don't forget it !

Location : Both works and accommodation take place in Chantelle. It is a Bourbonnais village (1000 inhabitants) with a Benedictine abbey still in activity. The Saint-Pourçain territory is noticeable for its small villages with historical heritage (castles, traditional houses which you can discover during your walks) and wine production. Cultural events and village fairs are numerous during summer.

For more information on the territory : <http://www.payssaintpourcinois.fr/>

Accommodation : In tents.

Special Requirements : The workcamp is located near a Benedictine abbey still in activity. It is important to respect this community's quietness during the works.

Nearest big town : CHANTELLE

Nearest airport : CFE Clermont-Ferrand

Terminal : Gannat