

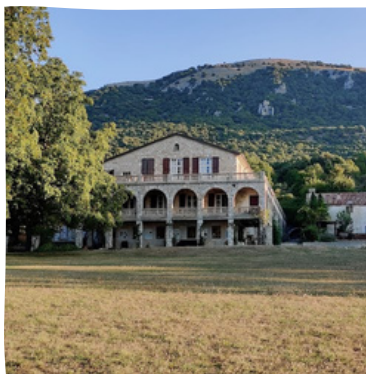


CIVIC SERVICE VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

**RAISING ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS,
ACTIVITIES IN THE EDUCATIONAL GARDEN**

AS SOON AS POSSIBLE, FOR 8 MONTHS

Les Courmettes is a 600-hectare Natura 2000 site located near Nice. It is a site where scientific and monitoring studies are conducted and activities to raise public awareness and provide training. The volunteer, supervised by the person responsible for the educational garden, will be involved in protecting this rich natural site, while also both developing the garden and welcoming the public. Volunteers will develop their skills in raising environmental awareness, practical gardening and leading activities.



Domaine des Courmettes



Gardening



Working with the public

TASKS

Volunteers will be involved in:

- Supporting activities in the educational garden (50%) :
 - work in the garden (soil preparation, sowing, planting, upkeep ...)
 - garden organisational jobs (raised beds, small DIY tasks ...)
 - plan and deliver garden activities for a range of groups
- Awareness raising for visitors to the Domaine (30%) :
 - welcoming, providing information and raising awareness for visitors and hikers
 - developing and delivering environmental and educational activities
 - helping with the operation of the café at the Courmettes centre
- Daily life at Courmettes, alongside staff and other volunteers on site (20%)
 - sharing in the common tasks
 - welcoming groups
 - housework

ACCOMMODATION, FOOD AND TRANSPORT

Accommodation for volunteers is at the Courmettes Centre. This is the base for all projects, is the headquarters of the organisation and where the team lives. Volunteers share rooms (1-2 people of the same sex). During the week midday and evening meals (at set times) are taken together with the team and any other visitors. Meals are prepared by a cook. Should the cook not be present, members of the team take turns to prepare meals. Breakfast is self-service. Vegetarians can be catered for. Cars can be available (payment required) for transport purposes.



DESIRED PROFILE

- Interest in gardening and permaculture
- Interest in educating the public around protection of the environment
- Enjoy living in a rural environment, community life, fauna and flora, contact with the public and DIY tasks
- Show initiative in the tasks undertaken and able to complete them independently or as part of a team
- A driving licence could be useful when living on site.

PRACTICAL INFORMATION

Location

Domaine des Courmettes
06140 Tournettes-sur-Loup, France

Date

For 8 months, starting as soon as possible

Organisation

35 hours a week, 3 weekends a month, public holidays and school holidays

Postes à pourvoir

1 post / open to young people aged 16-30
Please send a CV and letter of application to Claire Mouhot, team member responsible for the educational garden : claire.mouhot@arocha.org.

Throughout the period the volunteer will receive training in gardening techniques, developing relations with the public and environmental education.