

INFORMAGIOVANI Workcamps Programme – Season 2019

Group: International. From a minimum of 5 to 10 participants according to camp. In some camps we will include volunteers with fewer opportunities.

Duration: from 7 to 14 days according to camps.

Working Hours: 5/6 hours per day approximately

Camp leaders: Experienced camp-leaders or host will facilitate the work of the volunteers and support them before arrivals with logistic and travel information

Language: English (knowledge of Italian is welcome but not necessary)

Extrafee: None, except teen camp. Please check the project.

Insurance: Will be provided for the entire duration of the camp (travels excluded). Insurance will cover illness, accidents, third liability and death. European participants are required to bring their European Health Card

Infosheet : Will be uploaded on e-vet or sent one month before the beginning of the camp

PLEASE NOTE that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

CODE/NAME	Location	DATES (MM/DD/YYYY)	Type	No. vols	Age	Placement
IG 19-01 Geraci Siculo	Geraci Siculo, Sicily	07/08/2019 – 07/22/2019	Manu, Envi	9+1L	18-30	12 th march
IG 19-02 Isola delle Femmine I	Isola delle Femmine, Sicily	06/30/2019 – 07/13/2019	Manu, Envi	5+1L	18-30	1 place available
IG 19-04 Isola delle Femmine III	Isola delle Femmine, Sicily	08/04/2019 – 08/17/2019	Manu, Envi	5+1L	18-30	2 places available
IG 19-05 Isola delle Femmine IV	Isola delle Femmine, Sicily	08/18/2019 – 08/31/2019	Manu, Envi	5+1L	18-30	2 places available
IG 19-06 Madonie Adventure Park I	Petralia Soprana, Sicily	06/26/2019 – 07/16/2019	Manu, Reno	4+1L	18-30	12 th march
IG 19-07 Madonie Adventure Park II	Petralia Soprana, Sicily	07/27/2019 – 08/06/2019	Manu, Reno	4+1L	18-30	12 th march
IG 19-08 Madonie Adventure Park III	Petralia Soprana, Sicily	08/07/2019 – 08/27/2019	Manu, Reno	4+1L	18-30	12 th march
IG 19-09 Association free Waldorf school	Palermo, Sicily	09/01/2019 – 09/10/2019	Manu, Reno	7+1L	18-30	12 th march
IG 19-10 Poggio del Castagno	Pitigliano, Tuscany	09/02/2019 – 09/13/2019	Agri, Manu	5+1L	18-30	12 th march
IG 19-11 Podere Onorate Olive Harvest 1	Roccatederighi, Tuscany	10/07/2019 – 10/21/2019	Agri, Manu	6	16-35	12 th march
IG 19-12 Podere Onorate Olive Harvest 2	Roccatederighi, Tuscany	10/23/2019 – 11/06/2019	Agri, Manu	6	16-35	12 th march
IG 19-13 Montescaglioso	Montescaglioso, Basilicata	08/22/2019 – 09/05/2019	Manu, Reno, Cult	11+1L	18-35	12 th march
IG 19-MTV 01 Italy Farm Stay	Pescosolido, Lazio	04/03/2019 – 10/30/2019	Agri, Manu	1M-1F	18-35	ongoing
IG 19 TEEN-01 Porto Di Terra	Polizzi Generosa, Sicily	06/25/2019 – 07/06/2019	Agri, Manu	15	14-17	12 th march extra fee €200 (+bus)

IG 19-01 Geraci Siculo



From 07/08/2019 till 07/22/2019 **PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: Geraci Siculo (Sicily) – Number of volunteers: M 5 - F 4

Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: MANU, ENVI

Remarks: Geraci Siculo is a small town. This camp is suitable for people willing to live in a small town. It is perfect for nature amateurs.

Local partner: The Municipality of Geraci Siculo is located in a very beautiful area in the Regional Park of Madonie, excellent spot for mountain and nature lovers. Geraci Siculo is a small town located on a mountain peak with beautiful views and peaceful surroundings. A very nice place to get to know exploring the countryside of Sicily.

Work description: Volunteers will be involved in the cleaning and maintenance of public areas, streets and old public spaces, build fences and irrigation of planting areas. They will work along other local volunteers and workers of the public administration responsible for green area.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation will be in a school located in the town. Volunteers will sleep in the gym on inflatable camping mats provided. The school is equipped with a kitchen that volunteers will use to cook for themselves, food to be cooked will be provided by the camp leader. Bathrooms with hot water showers are available inside the school.

Special requirements: Geraci Siculo is a small town. This camp is suitable for people willing to live in a small town. It is perfect for nature amateurs.

Location and free time: During your free time you can hike in the mountains surrounding Geraci Siculo, there are a lot of beautiful walks. There are soccer and tennis fields. Geraci Siculo is very isolated, you can take a day off and go to Palermo or to Cefalù (to the seaside) with public transportation but be aware that there are very few buses a day and very often they leave early in the morning. Better to take a private local couch which costs can be shared among volunteers.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

IG - Isola delle Femmine



IG 19-02 Isola delle Femmine I - 06/30/2019 – 07/13/2019* (only one place available)

IG 19-04 Isola delle Femmine III - 08/04/2019 – 08/17/2019* (only two places available)

IG 19-05 Isola delle Femmine IV - 08/18/2019 – 08/31/2019* (only two places available)

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City: Isola delle Femmine (Sicily) – Number of volunteers: M 3 - F 3

Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: MANU, ENVI

Remarks: Be able to swim is compulsory. Interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast. Volunteers should be aware of a very basic condition.

Motivation letter is compulsory in order to show interest in the project.

Local partner: The "Isola delle Femmine" is a natural reserve established in 1997 by the Sicilian Region and managed by LIPU (Italian league for birds protection) since 1998. This little uninhabited island is located in a strategic place for the migration of a specific species of bird called Gabbiano reale (*Larus michahellis*), this area allows them to rest from migration and to grow numerically. Due to financial cutting, the reserve suffers from maintenance and the support received along the year is not as much as should be provided. This is the reason why InformaGiovani with LIPU organize together every year workcamps to support the maintenance of the natural reserve and to sensitize the local community towards the place.

Work description: Work will be run in the little uninhabited island in the middle of the sea, therefore, is compulsory to be able to swim! Volunteers will help in cleaning the area from trash, re-building stone paths and watering plants. Work will be done mainly in the morning and in case of wind or rain the work will be run on another day. Work can be tiring and hard due to hot temperature and Sicilian sun (hat and sunblock are compulsory).

Accommodation and food: LIPU offers a room inside their office equipped with 3 bunk beds, the accommodation offers one bathroom and a kitchen. The bedroom is very basic with a little terrace where to dinner (too hot to be used at lunch). All the volunteers will be accommodated in one common room equipped with bunk beds and share one bathroom. Volunteers should be aware of a very basic condition and willing to live as such! Volunteers will be responsible for cooking and cleaning.

Special requirements: Be able to swim is compulsory. Interest in environment issue, protection of sea and coast. Volunteers should be aware of a very basic condition. Motivation letter is compulsory in order to show interest in the project.

Location and free time: Isola delle Femmine is an Italian town in North-Western Sicily, in the province of Palermo. It is next to the sea so volunteers can spend their free time at the beach, do water sports, snorkelling, etc... Isola is a coast-town close to Palermo and connected with bus/train. Palermo is a beautiful city where there are many sights and places to spend the free time.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

IG - Madonie Adventure Park



IG 19-06 Madonie Adventure Park I - 06/26/2019 – 07/16/2019*
 IG 19-07 Madonie Adventure Park II - 07/27/2019 – 08/06/2019*
 IG 19-08 Madonie Adventure Park III - 08/07/2019 – 08/27/2019*
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City: Petralia Sottana (Sicily) – Number of volunteers: M 2 - F 2
 Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: MANU, ENVI

Remarks: Volunteers have to like being in a natural outdoor environment, socialize with children and young people, to like hiking. Bigger cities are not easy to reach it is better to warn volunteers about the possibility to spend their free time in the nearby. **Motivation letter** is compulsory in order to show interest in the project.

Local partner: The Madonie Adventure Park offers recreational-sports activities to be held in the natural environment of the Madonie Regional Park. This was the first adventure park in Sicily of its kind which had enhanced the value of naturalistic areas bringing a new concept of living the Nature: through outdoor activities and spending time in the forest. The Madonie Adventure Park is open to daily-time activities, or even for two-three days with an overnight stay and also residential summer camps for children, young people and adults. <https://www.parcoavventuramadonie.it/>

Work description: Activities will be linked to the management of the Adventure Park area such as maintenance and cleaning of space and as well as entertainment activities in English languages with young people. Before the beginning of the activity, there will be an introduction section for volunteers where also the territory will be introduced. In addition, volunteers could join the educators of summer camps where these topics will be explained too.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation is offered in a shared bedroom in a closed town called Petralia Sottana. Basic condition and spartan camping fire will be organised for cooking. A sleeping bag is requested. Volunteers will be accompanied to the workplace/accommodation by a member of the parc. Petralia Sottana is located 1000 MASL, cool temperature can be felt also in summer.

Special requirements: Volunteers have to like being in a natural outdoor environment, socialize with children and young people, to like hiking. Bigger cities are not easy to reach it is better to warn volunteers about the possibility to spend their free time in the nearby.

Location and free time: Volunteers can go for hiking or visiting nearby towns. Also, go to Palermo. Public buses are not a lot during the day, but it is possible to pay for local private service at an affordable price.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

IG 19-09 Association free Waldorf school



From 09/01/2019 till 09/10/2019 **PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: PALERMO (Sicily) – Number of volunteers: M 4 - F 3

Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: MANU, RENO

Remarks: willing to manual work, sense of initiative is recommended.

Local partner: The association of the free Waldorf school manages the local school inspired by the principles of Anthroposophy (more info at <http://www.waldorfanswers.org>). The school is a community of teachers and pupils' families and they all do the necessary works to maintain the school building and garden.

Work description: Volunteers will support the teachers and the parents of the pupils in the manual work needed before the start of the school year. Main work will be maintenance of garden and classroom, including painting, arrange the play area for kids, repair desks, etc.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation in the school. Volunteers will sleep in inflated mattresses in a classroom and they will use solar shower. Lunch together with teachers and dinners self-prepared by volunteers with provided food. A kitchen is available for volunteers.

Special requirements: willing to manual work, sense of initiative is recommended.

Location and free time: The school is not far from the city centre. Volunteers can join social and cultural life of the city.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)

IG 19-10 POGGIO DEL CASTAGNO



From 09/02/2019 – 09/13/2019 **PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: PITIGLIANO (Tuscany) – Number of volunteers: M 3 - F 2

Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: MANU, AGRI

Remarks- willing to manual work, interested in agriculture, bio dynamic farming. To like camping asset. Remember to bring warm clothes as the weather can be chilly in the evening. Also bring a warm sleepingbag.

Local partner: Poggio del Castagno is a biodynamic organic farm run by a family where is possible to experiment techniques of innovative farming. They produce hazelnut, olive oil, vegetables, and turn barley into toasted and pearly barley.

Work description: Volunteers will mainly help in harvesting hazelnuts. It can be possible to be involved in other ordinary task.

Accommodation and food: Shared tents in the camping area that is furnished with hot water showers. Volunteers will cook for themselves. Internet is available only in a common room shared by anyone. REQUEST: vols have to bring own sleeping bag,

Special requirements: - willing to manual work, interested in agriculture, bio dynamic farming. To like camping asset. Remember to bring warm clothes as the weather can be chilly in the evening. Also bring a warm sleepingbag.

Location and free time: There are three interesting medieval villages in the surroundings of the farm: Pitigliano, Sorano and Sovana. Also trekking pathway are closeby. There is a famous local Vine fair organized in Pitigliano during the time of the workcamp. In these days wine cellars and cooperatives are open to the public for trying local wines and traditional food. Saturnia's thermal bath are 30 min. far by car.

Closest airport: Pisa (PSA)

IG - Podere Onorate



IG 19-11 PODERE ONORATE OLIVE HARVEST 1 - From 10/07/2019 until 10/21/2019*

IG 19-12 PODERE ONORATE OLIVE HARVEST 2 - From 10/23/2019 until 11/06/2019*

***PLEASE NOTE that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format**

City: ROCCATEDERIGHI (Tuscany) – Number of volunteers: 3M; 3F

Min/Max age: 16/35 – Work type: AGRI, MANU

Remarks: - willing to manual work. Interest in agriculture. Olive harvest is not a hard work but it is continuously the same thing day in and day out. This camp is for very motivated volunteers willing to work and interested in agriculture. **A QUESTIONNAIRE** is needed to be filled together with the application form.

Local partner: Podere Onorate is a small farm, 1km south of Roccatederighi, up in the hills of Tuscany with a beautiful view over the Maremma towards the sea. We work about 9 hectares of diversified land. We have olives, vines, woodland, fruit trees, chestnuts, almonds, vegetables, herbs, rabbits, chickens, ducks, bees, a dog and cats. We follow the ideas of biodynamic farming. We do the dynamisation and spraying and preparing of compost. We don't burn the cuttings but shredder them for mulch. We try to preserve the natural surrounding and "wildness" of the place. We are not a producing farm, all we do is for ourselves: self-sufficiency or exchange with friends. We make really high-quality olive oil and a little wine. We also have a mechanics-, woodwork- and blacksmith-workshop: We try - and do - as much as possible ourselves: grow our own food, carry out building works, repairs, solar off-grid electricity, water, home and unschooling. During the summer we live completely outside. We have an outdoor kitchen and living room under the trees. There is a shower outside but there is also a simple, spartan bathroom with shower in parents house. Often we host guests and friends and wwoofers, trainees and international volunteers. We eat mostly vegetarian, if possible our own stuff, otherwise if possible organic. We also like meat, but it's no problem to avoid it. We are used to cook vegetarian or vegan. We can't spend too much money on food, but we like to cook and eat. We speak German, Italian, Swiss German, English and a little French. The farm is run by: - Gunther (1968), Nicole (1981), Olmo (2008) and thanks to all the helpers. - Gunthers father: Gunther sr (1938) living in a separated household. For further information, you can visit our webpage: www.onorate.com Or ask any questions you want: info@onorate.com

Work description: OLIVE HARVEST is a nice and calm work in the olive yards. We don't work with machines. We believe that the traditional handpicking in olive nets leads to a better quality of the oil, the surrounding and the human life of the people involved, no machines mean no stress and no noise, there's room to talk, to sing or to rest. The harvest days are long and hard days. we try to start as soon as humidity permits (usually between 8 and 10 am) and if it's raining, as soon as it stops and dries up. We will have good lunches together under the trees and continue picking until almost darkness (around 5 pm). then we take our little tractor to bring up the olives to the farm, under the roof in the workshop we clean them from the leaves, weigh and store them. The big goal is to make 400kg as soon as possible, best in one or two days for high oil quality. That's why during harvest days we

have really to concentrate on the work. It's no stress but we need to push to make the goal. In the time some of the group does the olive cleaning some others cook dinner, lights the fires, does the table, the dishes and prepares for the next day. One by one can take a fast shower than we eat all together in the big tent. if there's someone who likes to play the guitar or some other instrument it would be welcome. Once we have reached the goal of 400kg next day in the morning we bring the olives to the oil mill. Each time one person can come to visit the mill. (there's only one place in the little Landover truck). When we come back we taste the new green oil on freshly toasted bread over a little olive wood fire. We take this day off and use it to sit around the fire or the table and talk together and answer all questions you have, maybe next day we continue to work, or it's a completely free day. We will see this when we are together. We will adapt to personal and agricultural needs and the weather. If it rains, days are off. The olive harvest is not hard work but its continuous same thing day in and day out. It's hard to decide one year in advance about the perfect time to start with the harvest. that's why we are running two consecutive workcamps. maybe the first workcamp passes some days with preparing trees as cleaning them from bushes waiting for best time to harvest, or maybe we start right away; maybe the second workcamp stops earlier with harvest work and continuous with net fixing and collecting pruning. This depends on the season and cannot be decided yet. We expect from all of you, to be interested and involved in the work. We will be a team and we will have a goal to reach. Everyone brings in what he has, and does what he can. We don't expect professionals or hard workers but we expect joy, engagement and dedication. It would be good if volunteers are able to stand on a ladder or climb on a small tree, but there is also enough work from the ground, you should be interested in agriculture: the more you are interested the better it is. You will have many questions to ask and we will try to give many answers. Volunteers should be interested in an alternative lifestyle: we lead a free life. mostly outside. What we do, we do it for ourselves. You should be interested in teamwork, our single forces will give the power to all.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation will be in shared small rooms in the house. If the weather is good you can also choose to sleep in a tent outside. We will provide sheets, covers, pillow and optionally tent and mattress. A big common tent will be there as a common place for all of us. There is no other space in the house. The day of departure, rooms must be cleaned and left in perfect conditions. if you take the first bus in the morning this can be done the night before. In the house, there is a spartan bathroom for common use. (farmers included). There is hot water but please be mindful while taking showers. water is available but limited. There is also an outdoor shower and a compost toilet is available outdoor as well. Please note that electricity in the farm is limited, therefore you will not be able to use a hairdryer, electric shavers or whatever. there is no washing machine. clothes must be washed by hand. hot water for cloth washing must be heated on the kitchen fire (not from the bathroom). You will be able to charge your phones, tablets etc. there is a wireless connection available even though it is not real fast and limited to necessary use. for long chats, there's a wireless place in the village. We will prepare food together in our outdoor kitchen, there is also an outdoor fireplace and oven... we eat together in the big common tent. Every day we choose a team for cooking, kitchen and bathroom service.

Location and free time: The farm is located in Roccatederighi a small town in the countryside of Tuscany where you can find wifi, a bar, restaurant, post office, bank office, small shops, doctor. It takes 15 minutes to walk to Roccatederighi. At 40 minutes walking distance you can find an ancient and abandoned castle (Castello di Sassoforte). At 45 minutes distance the little town and castle of Montemassi. The host are available to provide all information to reach the nearby town with public transportation but be aware that public transportation can be not always available.

Closest airport: Florence (FLR), Pisa (PSA), Rome

IG 19-13 Montescaglioso



From 08/22/2019 until 09/05/2019 **PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in **MM/DD/YYYY** format

City: Montescaglioso (Basilicata) – Number of volunteers: 6M; 6F

Min/Max age: 18/35 – Work type: MANU, RENO, CULT

Remarks: Suitable for people that like agriculture but also interested in get to know the tradition of an Italian southern town

Motivation letter is compulsory in order to show interest in the project.

Local partner: Altra dimension is an organisation established by local young people which aims is to increase awareness of culture, history and tradition of their town Montescaglioso and the Basilicata region, and also to make volunteers discover the essence of living in the south of Italy. The activities they will carry out are meant for renovating and recover one of the most important gardens of the town. Moreover, some workshops to spread tradition and culture will be implemented by local people to get an insight into local traditions.

Work description: The work will be mainly in the morning and involving gardening, planting for renewing the big garden of the monastery. The volunteers will be divided into smaller groups in order to cover different roles and rotate during the whole week. In the afternoon there will be the possibility to participate in workshops to get to know the tradition of the region.

Accommodation and food: Volunteers will be host in a hostel equipped with kitchen, shower, bathroom. Volunteers will share a single big room, a sleeping bag is recommended. The hostel is closed to the monastery (where the work will be held), but it is independent of the monastery.

Special requirements: Suitable for people that like agriculture but are also interested in get to know the tradition of an Italian southern town

Location and free time: Montescaglioso offers a variety of historical places to visit and also naturalistic places where to hiking. Furthermore, the town is 20 km far from Matera (European Capital of Culture 2019) which offers a lot of cultural events.

Closest airport: Bari (BRI), Rome (any)

IG 19-MTV 01 ITALY FARM STAY



From 04/03/2019 until 10/30/2019 **PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: Pescosolido (Lazio) – Number of volunteers: 1 M 1F

Min/Max age: 18/30 – Work type: AGRI, MANU,

Remarks: preferably 3/4weeks staying. Willing to learn more about eco-farming, agriculture, farming lifestyle. People who do not love to walk they will feel isolated and they will not enjoy the experience.

Motivation letter a project-related motivation is required to apply.

Local partner: Italy Farm Stay is a family run farm located in the small village of Pescosolido, at the foot of the Abruzzi National Park. The area around the farm is one of the most beautiful places in Italy; mountains, waterfalls, hiking trails, lakes, wildlife, and many interesting ruins, churches, and castles are easily accessible and the area is not filled with tourists like other parts of Italy. The farm is close to the town of Sora (about 35,000 inhabitants) where you can eat at local restaurants, stroll along the lively main street, visit the numerous shops, cafés, and pubs, use the internet, or go to the open air market on Thursday mornings. The farm itself is a large property where guests can roam around, eat fresh fruit, spend time with the animals, relax in the shade of an olive tree, or hike around the trails in our beautiful forest.

Work description: Volunteer work 4 hours and a half in the morning. In the afternoon they will be free. Help in the morning consist of work in vegetable gardening, general maintenance around the organic farm, pruning, harvesting vegetables, weeding and cleaning. In general terms volunteers will be involved in the everyday work of a traditional Italian farm. The work depends also on weather conditions and it can be determined day by day accordingly. We are looking for volunteers who are highly motivated, independent and with a good work ethics. The work can be quite hard but rewarding. Be aware that a good part of the work tend to be physically demanding. For this reason this camp is suitable only to people who are physically fit and already have an active life such as practicing sport etc. Volunteer will not work on Thursdays.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation will be in dorms in the farm. There is one dorm for males and one for females. Bathroom with hot water shower is available. Volunteers will eat with the family and staff of the farm. Volunteers will also help cooking organizing themselves in chores. This will be a unique occasion to learn how to cook amazing Italian traditional food!

Special requirements: - willing to learn more about eco-farming, agriculture, farming lifestyle. How to run a Farm. People who do not love to walk they will feel isolated and they will not enjoy the experience.

Location and free time: The farm is located on the edge of the National Park of Abruzzo between Rome and Naples. One of the most wild and stunning natural park of Italy where volunteers can do trekking, walks etc. Rome is also reachable and can be visited during the free day. Please note that volunteers will have only one free day every five days of work. Yet all afternoons will be free for them to relax and explore the surroundings. The farm is well-connected with both Rome and Naples by direct buses. The area around the farm is one of the most beautiful places in Italy; mountains, waterfalls, hiking trails, lakes, wildlife, and many interesting ruins, churches, and castles are easily accessible and the area is not filled with tourists like other parts of Italy. The farm is close to the town of Sora (about 35,000 inhabitants) where you can eat at local restaurants, stroll along the lively main street, visit the numerous shops, cafés or go to the open air market on Thursday mornings. The farm itself is a property where guests and volunteers can roam around, eat fresh fruit, spend time with the animals, relax in the shade of an olive tree, or hike around the trails in our beautiful forest. The area around the farm is one of the most beautiful places in Italy; mountains, waterfalls, hiking. All this can only be enjoyed exclusively by people who love to walk. **People who do not love to walk they will feel isolated and they will not enjoy the experience.**

Closest airport: Rome

IG-19 TEEN 01 - PORTO DI TERRA



From 06/25/2019 until 07/06/2019 **PLEASE NOTE** that dates are in MM/DD/YYYY format

City: Polizzi Generosa (Sicily) – Number of volunteers: 8M; 7F

Min/Max age: 14-17 – Work type: AGRI, MANU

Extra fee: 200 euros (plus public transport from airport to venue around €31)

Local Partner: Porto di Terra is a community project run by eight young people. The project is based on the principles of permaculture and agro-ecology, sustainability and non-violence. In particular Porto di Terra aims to create a self-sufficient community. We are a small productive reality (we produce olive oil, natural soaps and cosmetics, jams, food from the kitchen garden). The community settled in the mountains of Sicily and it is established in a beautiful pot of land in the wood since 2016.

At the moment, members of the organization are working for recovering the surrounding land (6 hectares) and for restructuring the farmhouse that is where they are settled. Activities include the management and care of the kitchen garden and the opening of new horticultural spaces, cleaning and management of the forest, opening paths, creating firebreak lines, restructuring of 9 haystacks following the principles of bio architecture, seasonal collections (olives, hazelnuts and summer fruit), preparation of soaps, oleoliths and ointments, organization of reception activities related to eco-tourism, environmental education and organization of courses, retreats and training (yoga, deep ecology, education, bio-architecture, regenerative agriculture, etc.).

For more information check the fb page: portoditerraproject or www.portoditerra.com (mostly to see some pictures, web site is in Italian).

Work description: Volunteers will be involved in the daily activities of the community which include taking care of the internal public spaces and outdoor space, the seasonal work in the garden, the harvesting and taking care of medical herbs and its transformation. **Study Part:** Every activity will be introduced by a member of Porto di Terra as well as the principles and ethics behind the work.

Accommodation and food:

This accommodation is camp like in tents outdoor. The group will share all together an Indian Tepee able to host for the night up to 20 persons. A coordinator will stay with the group. They will have inflatable mats to be placed inside the tepee. The accommodation is beautiful but basic.

There is not electricity in the tepee or camping area. Volunteers are asked to bring torches.

Volunteers will use common bathrooms and showers with hot water that are located inside the house.

There is internet connection and electricity.

Volunteers will cook together with member of Porto di Terra following shifts and will be involved in domestic chores. Volunteers can use the kitchen.

Special requirements: Willing to live in mountain and discover sustainable life. Curiosity about Permaculture and homemade productions.

ATTENTION! No chemical soap are allowed, volunteers can bring ONLY organic soap or buy some in the venue for

a cheap price. Working clothes and outdoor shoes are relevant for the work even if it's summer, torch, anti-mosquito, sun block are compulsory. Shoes for hiking and for the beach. Warm clothes for nights.

Location and free time: Day-excursion to the seaside and hiking into the mountains will be organized during the free time.

Pick up and departure day: Porto di Terra is not easy to reach with public transportation. Therefore host will organize a pick up point in Palermo airport where volunteers will take a public bus to Palermo train station and from here either a bus or a shared shuttle always together with a member of Porto di Terra.

Details about the pick ups will be decided only after we know flight details of all participants. Please arrange arrival by 13:00 at the latest, and departure from 13:00 onwards. Further information will be shared within the infosheet.

Important: If volunteers will reach Palermo in the evening there won't be chance to get to the venue because there are no buses or shared taxi leaving from Palermo after 18.00.

Important: The day of departure, volunteers will be accompanied to Palermo train station by a member of Porto di Terra. Then they will reach the airport independently. They will be walked to the bus stand where they can take the shuttle bus to the airport.

Extra fee: Volunteers are asked to pay an extra fee of 200 euros by bank transfer earlier in advance. In addition, volunteers will cover the costs of public transport from Palermo airport to Polizzi Generosa (and back), this will cost approximately €31. **Arrival to/departure from Palermo Airport is recommend.**

Cancellation policy: 100% refund if cancellation is made within 40 days before the beginning of the workcamps. After this time no reimbursement will be done.

Closest airport: Palermo (PMO)