

Workcamps program for summer 2019 from “Smart Travel Bureau”

Code	Title	Type	Dates	Participants	Location	Extra fee
STB01	Truly Healthy Farming	AGRI	7-21 July	7	Stavotino village, Leningrad region	30 euro
STB02	Special Children, Horses and lot's of fun	KIDS DISA ANIM	11-25 August	5	Chernovo village, Leningrad region	30 euro
STB03 STB04 STB05	Horse Academy for Kids	KIDS ANIM	3-26 June 1-24 July 29 July–21 August	3 females	Mel'nichniy ruchey, Leningrad region	30 euro
STB06 STB07 STB08 STB09	Horse Academy for Kids with your Kids	FAMILY KIDS ANIM	2-15 July 16-29 July 30 July – 12 August 13-26 August	3 families	Mel'nichniy ruchey, Leningrad region	110 euro for 1 child aged 7-12 years, 170 euro for 1 adult.
STB10	Dive deep into Russian traditions and fairy-tale world	ART MANU	01-25 August	5	Chakola village, Arkhangelskii region	30 euro

3 more workcamps are waiting for confirmation from our partners!

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Truly Healthy Farming

Code: STB01 AGRI

Dates: 7-21 July

Number of participants: 7

Partner: NGO “BIODYNAMICA” is an organization that for 20 years carries projects on healthy farming without pesticides and other chemicals. All the products they grow are BIO and eco-friendly. Organization has 5 hectares of fields and is run by couple of very friendly and open people aged 69 and 74. Of course, volunteer’s work is needed.

Work: volunteers will help in all kinds of gardening works – digging, planting, collecting, etc. of vegetables and herbs. Work can be hard.

Accommodation and food: volunteers will live in mansard, there are matrasses on large connected double-deck beds. Sleeping bag is needed. On the first floor there is a huge dining room and kitchen. Products are provided, volunteers cook by themselves. Shower with hot water is available, European bio-toilet is outside the building.

Location and Leisure: village Stavotino is situated 180 km from St.Petersburg, in Luga district of Leningrad’s region. It was recently found out that settlements of first (or very ancient) humans were found there. Near by there are some villages with old and beautiful churches, museums of local crafts, bee farm, river and lake, forests with berries and mushrooms (depends on season), barbeque place, where volunteers can go on their free-time.

Requirements: no alcohol. Insurance is not provided.

Extra fee: 30 euro for covering administrative costs and local partner expenditures for the camp.

Special Children, Horses and lot's of fun

Code: STB02 DISA/ANIM/KIDS

Dates: 11-25 August

Number of participants: 5

Partner: Rancho “Golden Horseshoe” is a place not far away from St.Petersburg for family activities. But one of the most important activities carried by organization is hippotherapy for children with different kinds of disabilities. During the year 50 of such children receive this therapy for free. Also on the territory of Rancho there is a shelter for homeless animals and small zoo.

Work: This project is for horse and special children lovers. Volunteers will help instructors during exercises of children on horses, follow the horse, communicate with child. Before exercises special instructions and trainings will be given. This is a real team work – special child, instructor, volunteer and horse.

Also some help will be needed in collecting grass, sticks for food for horses. Walking with horses, dogs from shelter. Showing guests the territory, carrying out different workshops and games for children with disabilities.



Accommodation and food: Volunteers will live in separate wooden house with kitchen, toilet and bathroom. Sleeping bag is needed. Volunteers will cook by themselves, some farm products will be provided, other products will be provided as well.

Location and Leisure: Village Chernovo is situated near St.Petersburg and Gatchina – one of the places with tsar palace and beautiful park. There is a lake for fishing, forest for horse riding. Meetings with students from local language school will be organized, common excursions will be held. On days-off they can easily reach St.Petersburg.

Requirements: Not to be afraid and love children and animals. Some skills of horse-riding and taking care after animals, some pedagogical background will be good, but not obligatory. Be creative for organizing workshops and games for children. Be ready for manual work. Russian language is desirable, but not obligatory. Alcohol and smoking are not allowed. Motivation letter.

Extra fee: 30 euro for covering administrative costs and local partner expenditures for the camp.

Horse Academy for Kids

Code: STB03, STB04, STB05 **KIDS/ANIM**

Dates: 3-26 June; 1-24 July; 29 July – 21 August

Number of participants: 3 F

Partner: “Rutenia” is a children’s horse academy which teaches kids for classical horse riding. The attitude towards horses is very loyal and warm, horses can even sleep on the riding-hall. In the summer period “Rutenia” runs summer camp for children on horse-riding with extensive English learning, kids sometimes come with their parents.

Work: volunteers will help in running summer camp for children, who come to “Rutenia” for horse trainings or their holidays. Age of children is 7-12 years. Volunteers will help camp-leaders in organizing daily activities for kids, different workshops, common work in garden with kids. One of the tasks is to speak English with children as the camp is with English learning. 2 days-off per week, schedule will be set on place. Almost the whole day volunteers will be involved in activities, but it is not something hard – like usual summer camp for children, and while they are on trainings or having rest – volunteers also have an opportunity to relax.

Accommodation and food: volunteers will live in large hotel room all together. Shower and toilet are in the room. Food will be prepared in canteen by chef.

Location and Leisure: “Rutenia” is situated 40 minutes by fast-train from St.Petersburg, so on their free-time volunteers will be able to visit St.Petersburg and places around. On the territory of “Rutenia” there is a small zoo, many horses, beautiful forests around. In some excursions for children in the camp volunteers will also be able to participate.

Requirements: no alcohol, no smoking, no tattoos, no piercing (earrings are allowed). Insurance is not provided. Motivation letter is required. Certificate of good conducts is needed. Agreement of not having certain diseases should be signed by volunteers (form will be sent during selection of volunteers). Good level of English. Some artistic skills will be an advantage. Volunteers should love children =)

Extra fee: 30 euro for covering administrative costs and local partner expenditures for the camp.



Horse Academy for Kids with your Kids

Code: STB06, STB07, STB08, STB09 **FAMILY CAMP/KIDS/ANIM**

Dates: 2-15 July; 16-29 July; 30 July – 12 August; 13-26 August

Number of participants: 3 families

Partner: "Rutenia" is a children's horse academy which teaches kids for classical horse riding. The attitude towards horses is very loyal and warm, horses can even sleep on the riding-hall. In the summer period "Rutenia" runs summer camp for children on horse-riding with extensive English learning, kids sometimes come with their parents.

Work: volunteers will help in running summer camp for children, who come to "Rutenia" for horse trainings on their holidays. Age of children in the camp is 7-12 years, so we prefer families with children of the same age. Adult volunteers will help camp-leaders in organizing daily activities for kids, different workshops, common work in garden with kids. One of the tasks is to speak English with children as the camp is with English learning. 2 days-off per week, schedule will be set on place. Almost the whole day volunteers will be involved in activities, but it is not something hard – like usual summer camp for children, and while they are on trainings or having rest – volunteers also have an opportunity to relax. Children will be involved in all activities as participants of the summer camp, including volunteering activities in the garden and small zoo.

Accommodation and food: volunteers will live in large hotel room – 2 families in one room, but we will check with amount of families' members. Shower and toilet are in the room. Food will be prepared in canteen by chef.

Location and Leisure: "Rutenia" is situated 40 minutes by fast-train from St.Petersburg, so on their free-time volunteers will be able to visit St.Petersburg and places around. On the territory of "Rutenia" there is a small zoo, many horses, beautiful forests around. In some excursions for children in the camp volunteers will also be able to participate.

Requirements: no alcohol, no smoking, no tattoos, no piercing (earrings are allowed). Insurance is not provided. Motivation letter is required. Certificate of good conducts is needed. Agreement of not having certain diseases should be signed by volunteers (form will be sent during selection of volunteers). Good level of English. Some artistic skills will be an advantage. Volunteers should love children =)

Extra fee: 110 euro for 1 child aged 7-12 years, 170 euro for 1 adult.

Dive deep into Russian traditions and fairy-tale world

Code: STB10 **ART/MANU**

Dates: 01-25 August

Number of participants: 5

Partner: NGO "Center for Social Innovation "Open Idea" carries out project activities since 2013 in the development of institutions of civil society, science, education and culture. The main part of the organization's projects is addressed to the youth audience of the Arkhangelsk region. The organization has implemented more than 30 social projects at the municipal and regional levels. The organization was awarded the prize "For contribution to the implementation of the youth policy of the Arkhangelsk





region". It is also the winner (2nd place) of the All-Russian Forum "Mentor" in the North-West Federal District.

Work: Art space "Maryin House" is a house-museum of fairy-tales author Maria Krivopolenova and art residence in the territory of the rural library of the Soviet period in remoted village Chakola. To save the place, its history and memory of Maria Krivopilenova, this art space "Maryin House" was created. To develop this place for volunteers organizers offer two types of work.

1. Production of art objects (a fence with a northern-style ornament, a gate, a gazebo, etc.)
2. The design of the internal space of the house, namely the manufacture of fabric panels in the traditional northern-style aesthetics.

This work requires creativity, it allows to get practical experience in creating modern art objects made in the national Russian tradition. Work schedule – 2 days-off per week, work about 4-6 hours daily. Also some maintenance works can appear during the project connected with decoration and promotion of Art space "Maryin House". There will be a person, who will explain everything, but still artistic skills are preferred.

Accommodation and food: Accommodation will be organized in the building of the house-museum (beds, linens, dishes will be provided on site; sleeping bags are necessary). Bath will be provided in one of the houses of the village, toilet is on the street (typical village style). Meals are organized by the participants themselves, products will be provided. Feel the real village =)

Location and Leisure: Chakola village, Pinezhsky district, Arkhangelsk region. You can only get there by car from the city of Arkhangelsk (including two crossings across the river), but organizers will take care of it. The remote village, with a limited number of inhabitants, for this reason, vast forest spaces with mushrooms, berries and a beautiful river are virtually untouched. Every day you can enjoy swimming, fishing, Russian bath – banya (sauna), gatherings around the fire, picking mushrooms, berries.

Volunteers will have the opportunity to become participants in creative workshops (photographers, artists, designers, etc.), which will be held during this period on the territory of Art Space.

In addition, it is possible to arrange a visit to the local museum, excursions, Orthodox churches, meet with folk groups of the Pinezhsky district, where you can exchange cultural traditions, music, songs, dances, etc.

Requirements: Artistic skills – work with fabric and/or wood or have a strong wish to learn all this. Knowledge of Russian is desirable, but not obligatory. In addition, the local community with great attention follow the work of our project, the project will be actively covered in the media, therefore, it is necessary that volunteers could leave the most positive impression, therefore welcome: no bad habits, honest attitude to work and the desire to learn traditional Russian culture, to show respect for it. Motivation letter is required. Insurance is not provided.

Extra fee: 30 euro for covering administrative costs and local partner expenditures for the camp.

