

Project name: Back to nature and community

Project code: SI-SCI 13.7

Country: Slovenia

Dates: 23rd – 29th August

Topic: Community Life

Total Number of volunteers: 12

Volunteer Age Range: 18+

Language: English

Wheelchair accessible: No



Description: 'Back to nature' will host volunteers eager to contribute to community activities in the local environment. The Lojtra Association, an association for the personal and professional development of young people, works in two areas, which are often intertwined: sustainable development and youth work. These topics are at the heart of various activities carried out locally and internationally. In the field of sustainable development, our main purpose is to co-create a community that lives more in harmony with nature and is aware of its limitations. In addition, we want to expand the potential of the natural environment in supporting the learning processes of young and old. You are invited to support us in co-creating these community spaces and learning spaces in the natural environment.

Work: Volunteers will support the implementation (physical, logistical and creative work) of a small local festival of sustainability in Litija, a Village Day in historical village Vače, and other activities in nature such as reconstructing a teepee and helping in the community garden and local farm. You will also be invited to co-create the program of the festival and to participate in its activities, including an intuitive singing workshop, forest therapy, DIY recycling workshops, Saturday concert, and Sunday village day activities, and share your knowledge and practices connected to sustainability and living in tune with nature.

Accommodation: The accommodation will be in tents on the hill where we host activities in nature. Tents can be provided but bring your own if possible. Also bring your own sleeping bag, but if needed this can also be provided once advance notice is given. There are two showers, two toilets and a communal kitchen, a teepee, a big traditional structure called toplar, and lots of covered spaces. The hill is surrounded by forest and located 8 km from the train station. You can get picked up from there by the hosts or you can walk to the location if preferred (1.5hr)

Requirements: Motivation to work and support us in organizing that week's activities. Eagerness to learn about sustainability and contribute own practices.

Location: Ponoviče village. Some activities will take place on a community garden 1 km away, in Litija town (on Saturday morning of the festival) and in the bigger historical village of Vače (Sunday).

Link to SCI database (for photos): <https://workcamps.sci.ngo/icamps/camp-details/15337.html>

