

Trail Angels



What is ESC?



Are you between 18 and 30 and looking for an opportunity to help the wider community, in Europe and beyond?

You could do this with funding and support from the **European Solidarity Corps**, which helps young people take part in projects that benefit communities, either abroad or in their own country.

These projects offer an inspiring and empowering experience, as well as the chance to bring change while developing your skills and competences.

The **ESC** is an excellent opportunity to help where needed, learn new skills, spend time abroad, maybe learn a language and definitely come back with unforgettable memories. Most opportunities through the ESC are cross-border volunteering activities.

With the wide range of issues covered by the projects (such as environment, health, inclusion, digital technologies, culture, sport), you're sure to find something to match your interests and background.



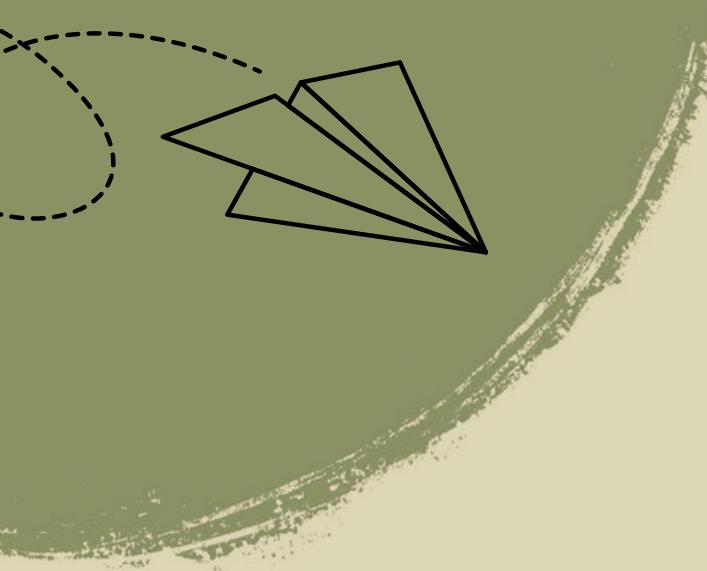
About our project:

Cultural routes are a precious asset of the European Cultural Heritage. They create connections between countries and people, encourage mutual knowledge and physical activity, and promote the spreading of associated cultural contents.

However, they need **regular and dedicated maintenance** in order to be available for walkers and riders all year round.

In Trail Angels, teams of volunteers coming mostly from Northern Europe will be hosted in Tuscany to take care of the Cammino del Volto Santo, one of the oldest and most important and famous of the European Cultural Routes.

Each team will cooperate in the ordinary maintenance of one single part of the Tuscan via, until the entirety of this beautiful cultural heritage is restored for pilgrims and tourists alike to walk on it again.



Tuscany - Cammino del Volto Santo

Cammino del Volto Santo is one of the historic pilgrimage routes that once connected northern Italy to the heart of Tuscany.

It begins in the city of Pontremoli, in the Lunigiana region, and crosses the Apennines through ancient villages and forested valleys, until reaching the city of Lucca – home to the revered relic of the Volto Santo.

The path was largely forgotten over time, but in recent years it has been rediscovered, restored, and marked, allowing pilgrims and walkers to once again experience its spiritual and natural beauty.

Today, the Cammino can be walked in stages, offering a journey rich in history, faith, and the timeless charm of rural Italy.

One of the most enchanting parts of the route lies in Garfagnana, where nature and tradition meet in perfect harmony.





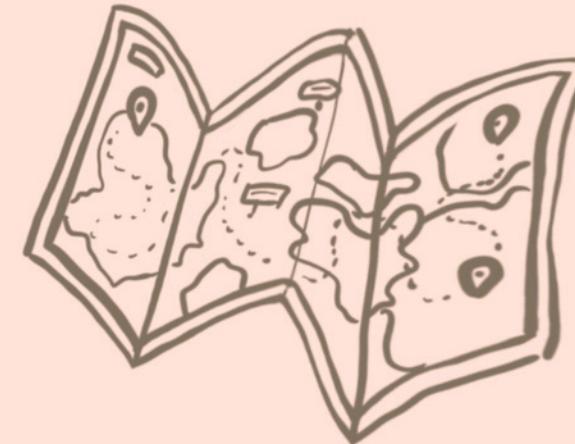
Barga



Castelnuovo di
Garfagnana



Argegna



01/09 - 30/09/2025

Castelnuovo di Garfagnana



Castelnuovo di Garfagnana is an Italian municipality located in the province of Lucca, in the region of Tuscany.

Nestled in the heart of the Garfagnana valley, the town is surrounded by the Apuan Alps and the Apennines, offering a scenic and natural setting.

Some of the most important monuments to be found here are:

- The **Rocca Ariostesca**, a medieval fortress that once housed the poet Ludovico Ariosto during his time as governor of the province,
- The **Cathedral of Saints Peter and Paul**, originally built in the 10th century and later renovated in Renaissance style,
- The **Church of San Giuseppe**, known for its baroque interior and historical significance.

Accomodation and Support

The volunteers will help **from 01/09/2025 until 30/09/2025** (a total of 30 days). You will live in fortezza di Mont' Alfonso, located in Castelnuovo de Garfagnana which is a city in the province of Lucca, with 5.650 inhabitants.

The accommodation will provide rooms in which 4/5 people are going to sleep. It also has a kitchen to share with the other volunteers. Towels and bed sheets will be provided. For this project, you will receive 150 euros per month as pocket money and 150 euros per month for food.

The idea is to move together as the days go by around the other towns, as you help, walk, and of course, learn more about the Italian culture and the beautiful Tuscany.

We are going to start our road in Barga and we will finish it in Argegna. Dare to participate in this great experience!



We are looking for...

PEOPLE WHO ARE:

- CREATIVE
- OPEN MINDED
- PROACTIVE
- MOTIVATED
- CULTURALLY AND SOCIALLY SENSITIVE



AGED BETWEEN 18-30



Join us!



1. FILL IN THE APPLICATION FORM
2. SEND YOUR CV AND MOTIVATION LETTER TO US



For anyone wishing to join us as an **ESC** volunteer, we will firstly require a **CV** and a **motivation letter**.

We encourage candidates to **be creative** with their applications, to include anything that might reveal their individuality, their likes, dislikes and potential skill sets.



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