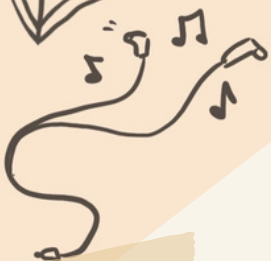


# Trail Angels





# 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.



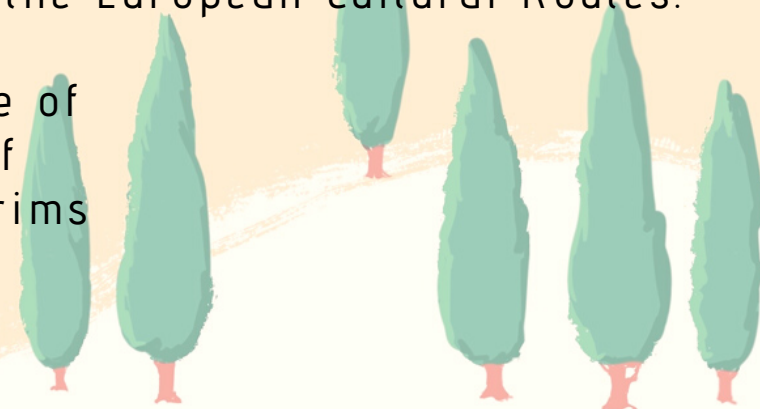
# About our project:

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 Via Francigena, 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.



A simple line drawing of a paper airplane with a dashed line indicating its flight path, set against a green circular background.

# Tuscany - Via Francigena

Via Francigena is one of the old pilgrimage routes that connected Europe in ancient times.

It starts from the city of Canterbury and crosses England, France and Switzerland to arrive in Rome, where it begins a final stretch until Apulia.

The route was forgotten for centuries, but in the last decades this precious testimony of the past was rediscovered and the ancient route was almost completely re-established.

Nowadays, it can be crossed again by pilgrims and nature lovers.

One of the most picturesque traits of Via Francigena is in the Italian region of Tuscany.







*Siena*

*Colle Val d'Elsa*

*Convento  
San Francesco*



2nd May 2024 - 23rd June 2024

# Colle Val d'Elsa

Colle di Val d'Elsa, located in **the heart of Tuscany**, is a town rich in history, culture, and craftsmanship. Its historic center, known as **Colle Alta**, is steeped in medieval charm and surrounded by ancient town walls. Situated along the renowned **Via Francigena pilgrimage route**, the town has long served as a stopping point for travelers and pilgrims, offering them respite amidst its distinctive tower houses.

One of Colle Val d'Elsa's most prominent claims to fame is its status as the capital of crystal production in Italy, earning it the moniker "**Bohemia of Italy**."

Exploring the winding streets of Colle Alta allows visitors to immerse themselves in its **rich history**.

For panoramic views of the surrounding valley, visitors can ascend to the Baluardo, a fortified point offering breathtaking views. Colle Val d'Elsa offers a captivating journey through history and craftsmanship.





# Accommodation and Support

The volunteer date will be from 02/05/2024 to 23/06/2024, a total of 53 days.

You will live in Convento San Francesco, located in Colle di Val d'Elsa, a town in Siena with 21.346 people. The accommodation will provide 2/3 beds room to share room the other volunteers, also you'll able to use the on-site kitchen to cook. For this project, we will receive 150 euros per month for food, and 150 euros as pocket money.

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 San Gimignano and we will finish in Monteriggioni.  
Dare to participate in this great experience!



Colle di Val d'Elsa

# Pilgrims credentials

By obtaining a pilgrim passport  
you will receive discounts on  
the trip and get some nice  
stamps!



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# We are looking for...

## PEOPLE WHO ARE:

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

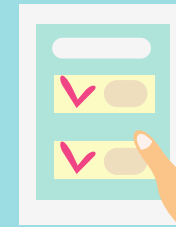
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# Join us!



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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