



European Voluntary Service

Solborg Camphill Village

This project takes place in **Solborg**, in the southern part of Norway, about 1 hour north of Oslo.

Solborg is a **Camphill*** community. People with special needs, co-workers (unpaid workers) and their families live and work together in the village. Everybody contributes to the life of the community according to his or her ability to do so. About fifty people live in Solborg and many of the co-workers come from different countries so there is an international atmosphere.

The village is quite self-sufficient; producing much of its own food.

At Solborg village there is a biodynamic farm and garden, as well as forestry, bakery, carpentry and weavery workshops. The workshops on offer to volunteers depend on what work most needs doing at the time. Most of the work is physical outdoor work, from haymaking to milking cows. Cooking for the volunteers is another activity. You will probably get to try a few different workshops, but then choose to spend most of your time working in one particular place.



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Number of people we will send: 4 & 12 (in Summer)

Date we will next run project: Spring, Summer & Autumn

For this project:

- ☺ It is important to respect the way of life of the people living in the community
- ☺ Be happy to work outdoors
- ☺ Be flexible to try different workshops and to help where you are most needed.

Accommodation & Meals

Lodging: You will live in a typical Norwegian house in Solborg village with the group of volunteers you travel with. You will probably share a room with 2 other people. Everyone takes turns to help with the cleaning and work in the kitchen. The volunteers eat all meals together.

Free-time: Football matches are often held with the other people from the village. There are 2 mountain bikes which can be borrowed. Some trips will probably be organised at the weekends for the group to do outdoor activities such as hiking, canoeing and white-water-rafting. You will probably also have a chance to spend a weekend in the capital, Oslo.

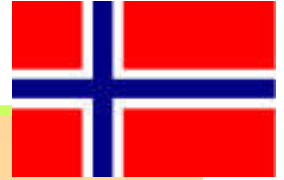
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Norway

Climate:

In this part of Norway it is often quite warm and sunny (about 20 C) during the summer. During the winter there is likely to be a lot of snow and the average temperature is about -5 C .

System of government:

Norway is a liberal and democratic country. It is not a member of the European Union (EU).

Capital:

Oslo (pop 508,730)

Currency:

Norwegian Krone

Language: Norwegian. Why not learn a few words:

Hello: Hallo/ Hei

Goodbye: Ha det/ Hei

Please: Ver så snill

Thank-you: Takk

About the place

Norway is a ruggedly beautiful country of mountains, fjords and glaciers. The 'Land of the Midnight Sun' has amazingly long summer days. Nearly a third of Norway lies north of the Arctic circle – the point at which there is at least one full day when the sun never sets and one full day when it never rises.

Norway has the lowest population density in Europe (pop: 4.54 million). The people tend to be quite independent.

Norway can be very expensive but you are unlikely to need to spend much money as you will spend most of your time in the Solborg village.



*There are over 90 **Camphill** communities in some 20 countries of the world. 47 of the communities are in the UK and the Republic of Ireland. All the communities are voluntary, charitable organisations.