



General Conservation work in the Drava Region

Get involved in the diversified methods of nature conservation by joining our volunteer program in the Drava Basin! Work together with several professionals in the mornings, and share amazing fun time during the afternoons!

Description

Travel to and immerse yourself in the picturesque Drava Region, one of the wildest natural jewels of Central Europe! The area offers a wide variety of habitats and ecosystems from the swift-flowing rivers, surrounding floodplain forests and fabulous oxbow lakes to the beautiful marshes and eye-catching alder moors, to the famous sand dunes in Somogy county.

You can take part and work on a variety of conservation programs: several habitat preservation and restoration projects, and botanical and zoological surveys are in process to be able to preserve the ecosystems' integrity and operability. The area is home to numerous rare and valuable animal species such as the endemic *Amphimelania holandri* snail or the *Platyphylax frauenfeldi* caddisfly from the invertebrates; the black variety of *common European viper* from the reptiles; the *black stork*, the *white-tailed eagle* and the *bee-eater* from the birds; or the *common zingel* from the fishes. Typical valuable and rare plant species, among others, are the *Early Spider orchid*, and the *Autumn Lady's tresses* from the orchids; or the *purple marshlocks*, a pretty waterside shrub located in the tranquil marshes.

According to the wildlife's and nature's actual status in a contribution to the Duna-Drava National Park we will assign you to some of the following tasks:

- botanical surveys (monitoring, data collection)
- zoological surveys (monitoring, data collection)
- habitat restoration (monitoring, eradicating invasive vegetation, area maintenance)

Program duration

1 week or 2 weeks, 4-5 hours work a day

Program season

March-October

Location

Mura-, Drava region, Drava Basin in Somogy county. Headquarters in Gyékényes.

Language

English

Volunteer work in

Nature & wildlife conservation

Cost in Euro

1 week (6 nights) € 700, 2 weeks (13 nights) € 1300

10% discount in case of a group of 5 persons

15% discount in case of a group of 10 persons

Cost includes

- Accommodation
- 3 meals/day
- Pre-departure orientation
- Orientation after arrival
- Project training, providing equipment
- Pick up from airport
- After work 1 activity or program a day
- Transport to/from work and programs
- In-country staff support, 24 hour emergency support

Requirements

- Minimum 18years old or above
- Worldwide participants with a valid VISA (please contact your home country's Immigration Office for Visa requirements)
- Basic English
- Physically fit
- No experience required!

Application process

- Online application
- Short, friendly Skype-interview
- Withdrawal of 10% booking fee

Program highlights, activities

There are several activities you will be able to try during your stay. Choose the most suitable ones and don't hesitate to ask our staff about seasonal programs!

- Birdwatching, photography, regional tours and trips
- Kayaking & canoeing, swimming and bathing in the Drava River and Lake Kotró, outdoor activities
- Visiting seasonal festivals and exhibitions...etc.

If you are interested in our volunteer programs, and for detailed information feel free to contact the Program Leader, Ms Janka Bodorik at lamium@t-online.hu or +36 30 603 5786.