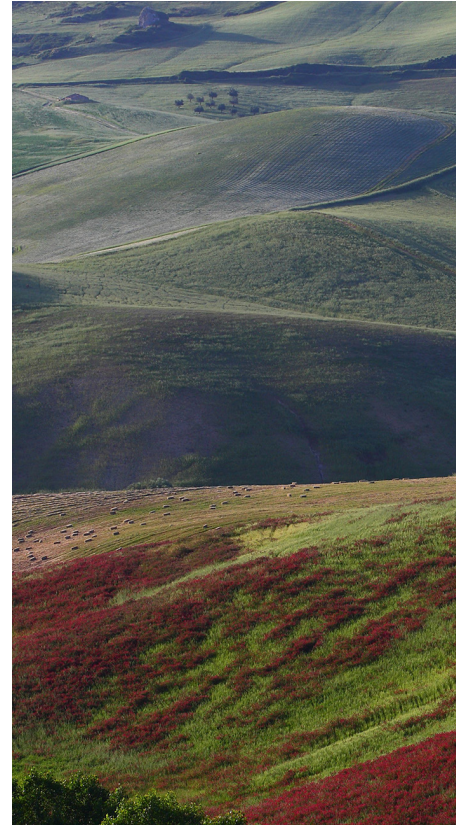


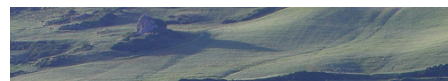
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2 weeks duration



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LOCATION

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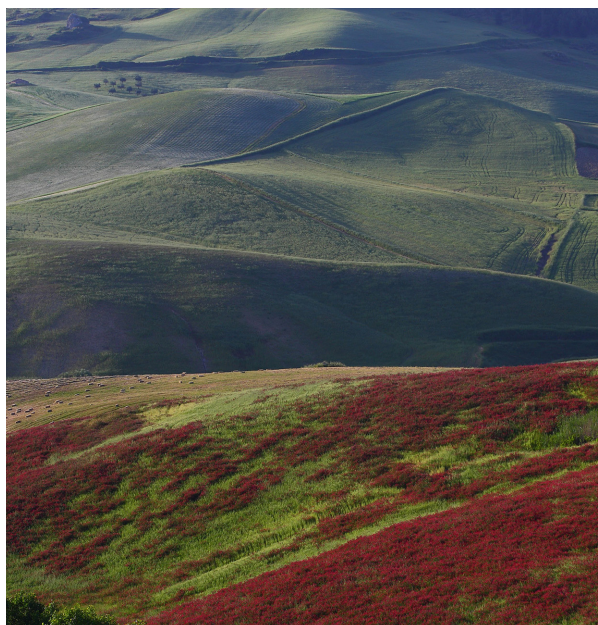
THEME OF YOUR CBT VOLUNTEERING EXPERIENCE

Environment sustainability protection and



CONTEXT

UNESCO Global Geoparks are single, unified geographical areas where sites and landscapes of international geological significance are managed with a holistic concept of protection, education and sustainable development. The purpose of a UNESCO Global Geopark is to explore, develop and celebrate the links between the geological heritage and all other aspects of the area's natural, cultural and intangible heritages. Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark is cooperating with local people and local stakeholders within the area to promote rural development, sustainable tourism, geo-education and nonformal learning, geo-conservation and protection of natural resources. The boundaries of the Geopark are determined by the territories of the nine municipalities that are included in the Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark: Assoro, Aidone, Calascibetta, Enna, Leonforte, Nissoria, Piazza Armerina, Valguarnera, Villarosa. Enna is the principle town of the province and headquarter of the UNESCO Global Geopark.



PURPOSE OF YOUR CBT VOLUNTEERING PROJECT:

Experience and promote rural lifestyle, nature-friendly outdoor activities and raise awareness on sustainability and environment protection in a UNESCO Global Geopark.

ACTIVITIES YOU CAN BE ENGAGED IN - BASED ON YOUR INTERESTS AND SKILLS:

You will experience, learn and get engaged in the activities that are organised as part of the following learning itineraries:

Yellow itinerary: It is the colour of wheat, symbol of opulence; the colour of saffron used to flavour traditional recipes; it is the colour of the olive oil, one of the most important product of Sicily; it is the colour of honey, considered the “food of the gods” for its antibacterial and antioxidant properties. You will learn about the art of honey and cheese production, growing and harvesting saffron, how to make real homemade bread and share experiences on the day life of local farmers.

Green itinerary: It is the colour of the natural reserves that are also located in high concentration in the central areas of Sicily. You can get engaged in different initiatives and projects to conserve the biodiversity of the area, discover the environment, natural reserves and geological monuments in cooperation with local associations and environmental guides. You can also explore the old route of transhumance accompanied by animals, visit farms and participate in workshops in cooperation with local artisans and people.

Blue itinerary: It is the colour of water and life; the colour of the rivers that feed the mills; the colour of the monumental fountains and of the lakes that offer to a volunteer the opportunity to practice outdoor sports activities such as fishing, canoeing, trekking, biking, free climbing, birdwatching.

INTERCULTURAL EXPERIENCE YOU WILL BE PART OF:

You will be completely immersed in the multicultural context that has characterised Sicily throughout its history. You will experience the traditional Sicilian rural life during your stay but also have an insight of the urban life during your visits to major cities of the island. Sicily offers a great range of cultural, traditional, social and community activities throughout the year, therefore you will also have opportunity to first-hand experience it.





FACULTATIVE TRIPS YOU CAN CHOOSE FROM:

- Archaeological visits, natural reserves, museums and castles in several spots in the Rocca di Cerere UNESCO Global Geopark
- The Unesco World Heritage Site “Villa Romana del Casale”
- The ancient Greek Polis of Morgantina
- The Mining Park Floristella
- The Pergusa lake
- The Realmese Necropolis and other geological sites of international significance
- Agritourism restaurants and wineries
- Trekking and outdoor sports

YOU WILL BE HOSTED AT:

A local homestay in the area of the Rocca di Cerere Geopark

