

KA1 Vocational Education Training Project at «Archelon» Sea turtle rescue centre GREECE





the project

Since 1983, the primary objective of ARCHELON, the Sea Turtle Protection Society of Greece has been to protect the sea turtles and their habitats in Greece through monitoring and research, developing and implementing management plans, habitat restoration, raising public awareness and rehabilitating sick and injured turtles.

Students will typically work for the first 3months in Athens at the Rescue Centre, helping to treat sick and injured turtles and they will also be trained in the conservation work.

The main daily activities within the Rescue Centre are rehabilitation duties, since at any given time there is an average of 20 to 25 turtles under treatment. Please

note that this is a highly physically demanding task.

This includes:

- the preparation and administration of food (usually fish) to the turtles
- daily treatment of the animals as determined by the vets (administering medication, cleaning wounds)
- taking biometric data
- making behavioral observations

accommodation and meals

The accommodation in Athens will be in a hostel with shared facilities.

In Crete and Zakynthos students will camp together in a separate area of the campsites. The campsites have mini markets and a small restaurant on site and are close to main supermarkets. Students pay 25euros (paid by

Everything is Possible from the food allowance) weekly and can help themselves to food from the communal store in the campsite. Students can then purchase any additional food for themselves from their remaining allowance.

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For the project, trainees need ...

- an interest in working with turtles/conservation
- be ready for physically demanding tasks
- happy to live with basic facilities on a campsite
- confident in meeting/ speaking to new people



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the hosting organisation

Name: Archelon

Website: www.archelon.gr

the project places

Athene: Athens is the capital of Greece. was also at the heart of Ancient Greece, a powerful civilization and empire.

Crete: Crete. Greece's largest island, is known for its varied terrain, which

from fine-sand beaches at Elafonisi to the White Mountains.

Zakynthos: Zakynthos is a Greek island in the Ionian Sea and a well-known summer resort.

Location ESTONIA LATVIA UNITED KINGDOM LITHUANIA **BELARUS POLAND** GERMANY **UKRA** FRANCE SWITZERLAND GREECE **SPAII**

The country



Climate: The climate in Greece is typical of the Mediterranean: mild and rainy winters, relatively warm and dry summers and, generally, extended periods of sunshine throughout most of the year.

System of Government: Parliamentary

Republic

Capital: Athens **Currency:** Euro

Official language: Greek

Time zone: UTC+2









The language

A few words in Greek:

Efkharisto (eff-car-ee-stoh) Thank you Parakalo (par-ah-kah-lo) Please

Kalimera Good morning

Yiassou (yah-sooo) Hello

Ne Yes

Oche No

Signomi, the milao ellinika Sorry, I don't

speak Greek

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