

A Year Of

Festival Stays

With ReCreation



“Return to the village. Where rhythm,
rest, and rebellion begin.”

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Festival Stays



A Festival Stay is like a modern, micro family festival — music, fire, story, and celebration — but instead of lasting just a weekend, it unfolds across days or weeks.

Each stay is anchored in the rhythms of traditional seasonal festivals: harvest feasts, rituals, ceremonies, and woodland folklore.

Children join our Nature Club (Mon–Fri) with foraging, crafts, building, and river play, while parents reclaim time to rest, co-work, or join workshops. Every stay builds to a Village Celebration, where families gather around fire, food, and story.



We've Got You



What's included in every Festival Stay?

- * Daily Nature Club for children (Mon–Fri, 9:00–16:00)
- * Access to gardens, river, and salt pool
- * 'Grow–Make–Eat' sessions woven into the rhythm
- * 3 Workshops a Week and one off site trip
- * A family-style celebration at the end of each stay

▲ 6-Night Festival Stays → Fully catered
Breakfast, lunch, and dinner every day.

▲ Two-Week Festival Stays → Mostly catered
Daily breakfast and lunch + 3 shared evening dinners
each week.

▲ Month-Long Festival Stays → Evening Table Edition
Self-catered apartments, with 3 shared dinners each
week around long tables.

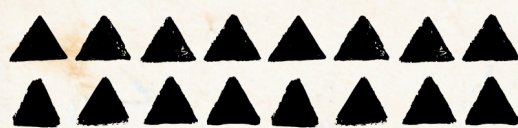
Autumn



Autumn in the valley is all colour and warmth.
The hills blaze red and gold, wood stoves burn in the
apartments, and candlelit dinners fill the sous sol.

Families join the harvest rhythm — pulling squash and
root veg from the garden, roasting chestnuts on open
fires, and gathering at chestnut festivals across the
valley.

Children take part in daily Grow—Make—Eat sessions,
cooking and crafting from the land as the season
deepens.



* Home *



Month Long Stay

13 Sep – 11 Oct
2025

13 Sep – 11 Oct
2026

* Children design and construct domes, dens, and forest playstations. They map the land, make signs, dye flags, and tell stories through what they've built — a month of hands-on rhythm, soil, and story.

Highlights

Woodcraft & dome building
Mapping, signage & flags
Story-led play in the forest

🌀 Village Celebration 🌀

A family parade of playstations: tours, storytelling in domes, and a child-led performance to celebrate their creations.

Month Long Festival Stay (3 Evening Meals)
Family of 4 → €4,500



The

* Last Witch of the Valley *



18-24 Oct +
25-31 Oct

6 Night
Festival Stays

Immersive Theatre Special

Children follow clues, craft potions, and build the story together through riddles, woodland missions, and apothecary making. Parents join in with cooking, crafts, and fireside gatherings, as evenings close with original song and shared meals.

Highlights

- Potion and apothecary craft
- Forest riddles & courage quests
- Immersive story based missions

△ Village Celebration △

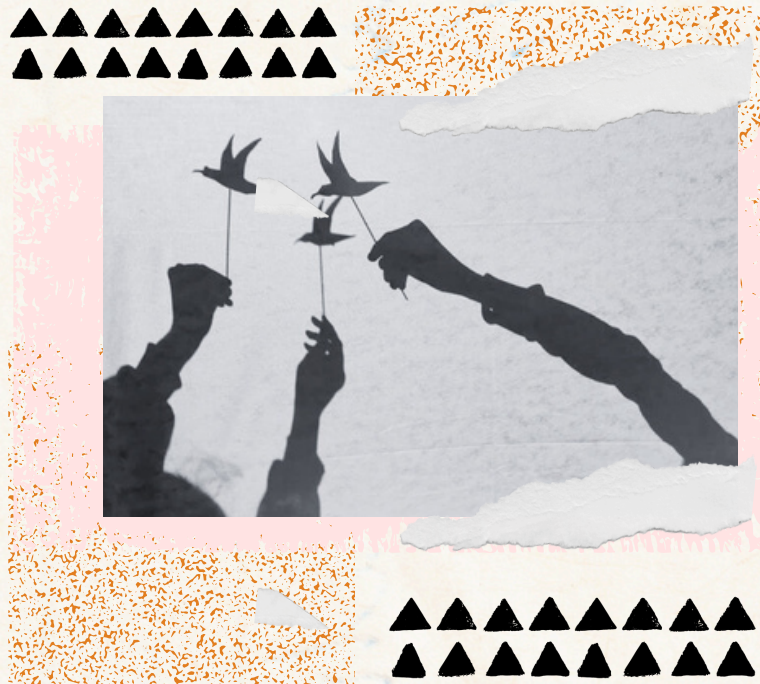
Families join for a woodland trail and fire ceremony, where the children reveal the story they've carried through the week.

* 6-Night Festival Stay (fully catered) *

Family of 4 → €4,200



* We Are the Light *



Nov 2nd - 29th 2025
Nov 2nd - 28th 2026

Month Long
Festival Stay

Children learn fire-making, candle rolling, and shadow storytelling. Each week builds toward resilience and ritual — from lanterns and puppet theatre to forest installations and spoken word. Evenings close in warmth and gathering, celebrating light in the darker season.

Highlights

- 🔥 Fire skills & lantern-making
- Shadow Puppet theatre & inner light jars
- 🔥 Forest installations &
- 🔥 Night trail & Boat of Light ceremony

△ Village Celebration △

Families walk a candlelit night trail led by the children, ending at the Boat of Light ceremony with music, performance, and shared fire.

✧ One month Festival Stay - 3 Evening Meals ✧

Family of 4 → €4,500



Spring



Spring here is something you notice day by day. Orchards burst into blossom, the chestnut woods turn green, and rivers run fast and clear with mountain snowmelt. Mornings can still be cold — most families keep the wood stove going — but afternoons are spent outdoors in the garden or walking the valley.

Local life shifts too: markets fill with goat cheese, wild garlic, and the first strawberries, and villages gather for Arbre de Mai traditions with music, dancing, and seasonal food. Children take part through daily Grow—Make—Eat sessions — planting in the garden, foraging wild greens, and helping prepare simple spring dishes.



* Rise! *



6 Night
Festival Stays

28 March – 4
April
5 – 12 April

Families step out of winter's hibernation and into a rhythm of light, growth, and connection. Mornings open space for parents to breathe — time for rest, work, or simply being — while children dive into garden planting, foraging, and seasonal crafts.

Afternoons draw families back together through shared workshops and spring rituals that remind us how good it feels to rise side by side.

Highlights

- Planting & foraging wild foods
- Seasonal crafts & French rituals
- Family workshops & shared spring market

△ Village Celebration △

Family-led gathering with singing, food sharing, and a May tree ritual, where children share their crafts and produce in a pop-up market..

* 6-Night Festival Stay (fully catered) *
Family of 4 → €4,200



The Makers' Market



Month Long
Festival Stay

28 March – 4
April
5 – 12 April

Children spend the month sowing seeds, foraging wild greens, and turning harvests into crafts and preserves.

From hand-dyed cloths to jars of wild pesto, each project builds toward the finale: a family-run market day with stalls, music, and shared food.

Highlights

- Foraging & garden planting
- Wild food, dyeing & craft projects
- Market prep: stalls, signs & roles

△ Village Celebration △

The Spring Market Festival — children host stalls, share performances, and welcome families and neighbours for a seasonal feast.

★ One month Festival Stay - 3 Evening Meals ★

Family of 4 → €4,500



* Floralia *



6 Night Stay

23 – 31 May
2026

* Families join a week of foraging, crafting, and *
celebration. Children gather wild herbs and flowers for
wreaths and teas, help prepare spring feasts, and make
costumes and props for the final procession. Original
live music, fire, and shared meals weave the story into
a festival of the coming of summer.

Highlights

Woodcraft & Foraging wild herbs & flowers
Wreath, costume & craft making
Shared spring feasts & outdoor rituals

🌿 Village Celebration 🌿

A fire-and-flower procession where children lead
families in music, dancing, and a festive outdoor
banquet to close the spring season.

* 6-Night Festival Stay (fully catered) *
Family of 4 → €4,200

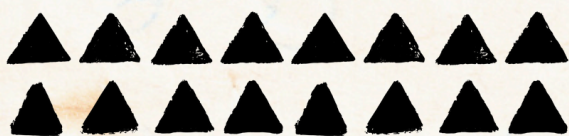


Summer



Summer here is warm and consistent, but never overwhelming. Where the mountains meet the Mediterranean, the river keeps the valley fresh and the forest offers shade and breeze when the sun is high.

Our old silk factory stays cool through the heat of the day — wide, open apartments with original stone and cement floors give families space to breathe. Children spend hours in the river, swimming, rafting, or adventuring upstream, while evenings gather everyone at outdoor tables under the trees.



* Flow *



Month Long
Festival
Stay

31 May – 28 June

* Children turn water into a playground for creativity —*
building bamboo water parks, making music with water,
and experimenting with river-inspired art.

Afternoons bring dance, rhythm, and movement games,
leading toward a final performance. Original music is
created together, with local musicians joining to make
the celebration come alive.

Highlights

BaBamboo water park building
Water-based music & art projects
Dance, rhythm & movement workshops

🌀 Village Celebration 🌀

A river parade of rafts and flow sculptures, with
families joining for shared food, music, and dance
performances.

* Month Long Festival Stay - 3 Evening Meals *

Family of 4 → €4,500



Rebel Roots

12 Night Stay



* 2-week Festival Stays (Sunday–Saturday) *

Stay 1: Sun 5 Jul – Sat 18 Jul
Stay 2: Sun 19 Jul – Sat 1 Aug
Stay 3: Sun 2 Aug – Sat 15 Aug
Stay 4: Sun 16 Aug – Sat 29 Aug

Children explore rebellion through forest crafts, costume-making, zine creation, natural remedies, and fire cooking. Afternoons flow into river play and music, while evenings gather families around long tables and firelight.

Highlights

- Costume & Natural Dying
- Forest crafts & fire cooking
- Natural remedies & Cooking

Village Celebration

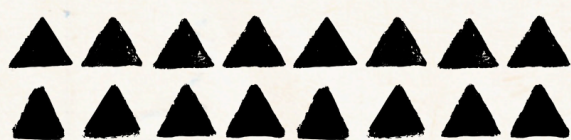
Each fortnight closes with a family festival of food, fire, and performance — where children share their creations in original music, spoken word and costume

* 2 Week Festival Stay (Mostly catered) *
Family of 4 → €9000



Join the

The ReCreation Nation



Every Festival Stay is more than a holiday — it's an invitation back to rhythm, story, and soil. Children rise as Agents of Play. Parents rest, reconnect, and witness. Families become part of something that feels both ancient and new.

Book your Festival Stay... and return to the village.

👉 Apply now at www.recreationnation.org

👉 Or message us on WhatsApp to reserve your place

You'll arrive needing a break. You'll leave remembering how to live together.

