



Kibbutz Harduf – Calendar and Weekly Schedule

Late May–Mid June

Extra Aardvark Israel programming in Tel Aviv, Jerusalem and around Israel.

Mid June

Move to Kibbutz Harduf.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday–Thursday

The day typically commences around 8:30 AM and concludes around 8–9:30 PM, providing the volunteer with various engagement opportunities. Once a month there is a tiyul outside of the kibbutz throughout Israel.

9:00–17:00: Morning Volunteer Shifts

The volunteer engages in morning volunteer shifts twice a week, choosing between Beit Elisha and Gan HaBayit.

Option One: Beit Elisha – Center for Adults with Special Needs

Beit Elisha, designed for adults with special needs, offers a range of workshops. The volunteer's role involves assisting in workshops such as working with farm animals, ceramics, bakery, and vegetable gardening. The involvement with special needs individuals can pose challenges, yet a professional team at the center is available for support.

Option Two: Gan HaBayit – Organic Farming

Alternatively, the volunteer may opt to engage in organic farming at Gan HaBayit. This choice, while more physically demanding, is highly rewarding. The work involves seeding, digging, etc.



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School Volunteering

The volunteer also dedicates time to local schools, which include Anthroposophy Preschool in Shfaram, Anthroposophy elementary school, middle schools in Ka'abiya, and elementary schools in Zarzir. Responsibilities range from classroom assistance to private English tutoring, with the potential for the volunteer to initiate their own projects.

17:00–19:00: Afternoon Activities

Following the morning volunteer shifts, the volunteer can rest, contribute to dinner preparations (if assigned), or choose to participate in additional volunteering at Tuvia.

Tuvia – Educational Center for Youths at Risk

Tuvia serves as an educational center for at-risk youths from grades 1 through 12. The volunteer's involvement can encompass homework assistance, classroom support, and outdoor sports engagement. This volunteer work is optional and not mandatory.

Forest Volunteering

One day per week, all volunteers engage in forest-related activities, involving physical tasks like terrace construction, weeding, and seeding.

19:30–21:30: Evening Responsibilities

Post-dinner, volunteers undertake assigned tasks, such as waste disposal, compost management, etc.

Additional Activities

Evening activities include group lessons like basic Hebrew and Arabic language classes, co-existence sessions, singing, and theater workshops.



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Multilingual Theater Performance

The multilingual theater performance by the volunteers, an integral aspect of the Sha'ar LaAdam communities, involves English, Hebrew, and Arabic. It serves as a gift to volunteering sites, schools, Beit Elisha, and Tuvia.

"Biography Day" and Group Guide

Each volunteer is allocated a dedicated day to share their personal story, fostering group cohesion. A "group guide" program introduces Anthroposophy concepts and provides regular check-ins

Monthly Trips and Exploration

Volunteers participate in monthly trips and hikes to places like Akko, Jerusalem, and the Carmel region, enhancing their understanding of Israel.

Friday-Saturday

Open and closed weekends alternate. While encouraged, traveling during open weekends is not obligatory, and volunteers have the choice to remain at the Kibbutz.

Kabbalat Shabbat

Preceding the closed weekend, the Kibbutz is prepared for Shabbat, followed by a collective Kabbalat Shabbat event and preparations for a communal Friday dinner.

Mid-August

Plus Programs end.



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