

ESTONIA / nature and forestry

Story: Mary Village cooperation with R pina School of Horticulture

Location: Maarjakula, R pin  /South Estonia

Industry: Sheltered housing / vocational training

Website: : <http://www.maarjakyla.ee/et/algus/>
<http://www.aianduskool.ee/maarja-kula/>
<http://www.maarjakyla.ee/et/teenused/rapina-aianduskooli-opperuhm/>

Mary Village is not ordinary village. This is a community in south Estonia where intellectually handicapped adults can live meaningful in everyday life. People who are living in Mary Village are not customers, but they are people who are organizing their own lives, but they have support person in every house.

How to utilize Green Care in action:

Mary Visiting offers living in community service, 24 hours special care service, 24 hours special care service to persons with severe multiple disabilities and supported living service. Accommodation is in a family house in 1-2 bedded rooms. Mary Village residents have opportunity to study in R pina School of Horticulture. Mary Village study group was established in late 2006 and the first 12 students had opportunity to learn gardening and home economics, from 2011 Mary Village study group can acquire vocational secondary in horticulture.

Good practices and benefits of Green Care:

In Mary Village study group can study gardening enthusiasts who have completed the basic subsistence school curriculum (special education). Learning is 3-year and ends with thesis defense about gardening. The main part of learning activities takes place in the village of Mary. The academic year begins in September and lasts until midsummer. School week runs from Monday morning to Thursday 09.00- 16.30. Day is a total of eight academic 45-minute sessions. The main focus lies on practical work in the garden, while the program is also designed modules for weaving and woodwork. Special education teacher takes care of all study process and support them throughout the entire process.

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Mary Village, Estonia

Special care service established 2006

Handicapped adults with 24h care

Places 12

Vocational learning and studies

Adults with special needs

Green Care activities

Garden and fieldwork

Horticulture

Home economics

Vocational studies and
learning sessions

