



« Jardin partagé de la Bricade »

Address :
La Bricade,
13015, Marseille

Once upon a time...

- The idea of this garden was born thanks to the "Régie de Quartier" (public authority of the district), which wanted to redevelop an abandoned field near buildings, that had become a dump
- The Mayor has made the land available and conducted works so that the garden has access to water (because there were no sources at first)
- For 5-6 years, it has been difficult to assert the interests of this garden. There was a lot of damage: uprooted plants, equipment burnt ... But for two uprooted plants, gardeners and other people involved replanted ten of them!
- Patience, perseverance and passion of the gardeners and people who worked on the site has finally paid off: today they are proud to present a beautiful and large garden.

Objectives

- Food production
 - Social dialogue
 - Education to sustainable development
- *About ten gardeners cultivate the garden and there is plenty of room for other plots, but the garden is also used as a place of conviviality: many people come to the garden to spend their days in peace, have a barbecue in the evening ...*

Structure of the garden

- Water: the Municipality pays for water.

Management

- People have nothing to pay to cultivate: the Municipality gives trees; the constructions for site development are funded by the "Régie de quartier"
- For 4 years, a gardener, hired by the "Régie de quartier", spends 26 hours a week working on the garden with residents
- A charter of the garden exists but the site development and the culture of plots are finally relatively freely

Our good ideas & practices

- Vocations were even born in the garden: four schoolboys who gardened here, have decided to start vocational training on this field, gardening is going to become their job.
- Everyone participated in the development of this garden, even young people who built cosy resting areas

Practical information

- Resident gardeners have their own key for access to water and tool shed
- Opening hours: the garden is always open

Name of the
managing
organisation

Régie de
quartier

Users of the
garden

Neighbours

Young
people

Schools

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