
Press Release

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From 18 to 24 November for the second edition of Barter Week: a free stay in B&Bs worldwide in exchange for goods and services

After the success of the first edition, Barter Week is back. From Albania to Uganda, B&B hosts and travellers ready to swap.

"We love good food and we'd like to discover new culinary secrets. So, we're offering hospitality in our country house to anyone who will teach us how to make the best pizza in the world". This sums up the spirit of **Barter Week**, an event without geographical borders, whose second edition will run from 18 to 24 November, after its successful debut last year.

There are many accommodation facilities hosts, like this friendly Breton couple, who offer potential guests a free stay in exchange for various types of services or goods. Bartering options can all be viewed on the dedicated website www.BarterWeek.com.

During the first edition, around 600 B&Bs in over 60 countries on all continents joined the initiative, which is the international spin-off of Italian Barter Week, the annual event organized by www.Bed-and-Breakfast.it, now coming up for its 11th year of success.

During the third week of November, travellers can stay in B&Bs without dipping into their wallets: all they have to do is offer manual, learning or creative activities, or bring the B&B something from home.

How do you join in Barter Week? On the site dedicated to the event you will find the calling card of all participating B&Bs ready to open their doors to the bartering method. They are sorted by country and by the host's request, namely what they want in exchange for free hospitality. After selecting the B&B that catches your eye, if you can satisfy the needs advertised, contact them via the appropriate form (free registration), start the negotiation and when you have come to an agreement that you will honour on-the-spot, start packing. If the facility has no wish list, the traveller is free to offer their own swap, anything from tango lessons to a vintage comic. Just use your imagination, flexibility and, above all, be ready to share.

This year it is even easier than last for travellers to check the requests of partner B&Bs because the site homepage lists categories of goods and services sought. For example, if an aspiring traveller wants to do some gardening and wants to choose from B&Bs seeking that kind of help, they can simply click on "Gardening" and find a list of B&Bs ready to welcome them in exchange for time in the family gardens.

Any B&B host who wants to join the extensive network of accommodation facilities participating in Barter Week just adds their site, with a short text presentation, photos and description of the barter required. All free of charge.