How to get to LCO-France:

TRAVELLING TO THE AUVERGNE



By road:

From CALAIS: 9 hours by motorway via Paris

From PARIS: 4 hours on the A71/A75 motorway via Clermont-Ferrand to

Issoire, then 45 mins on local roads

From CLERMONT-FERRAND: 1 hour. (A75/D996/D999)
From ST. ETIENNE: 1 hour by local road (D498) via St Bonnet
From LYON: 2 hours, via motorway to St Etienne then as above.
From LE PUY EN VELAY: 45 mins via La Chaise Dieu (N102/D906).

By rail:

London to Paris Eurostar (approx 2.5 hrs) then SNCF via Clermont-Ferrand to Issoire (approx 4.5 hrs) or TGV to Lyon and railcar to Le Puy en Velay (approx 4.5 hrs)

By air:

From Stansted: 1hr 15mins flight with budget airline RyanAir to St. Etienne. From Gatwick, Heathrow and London City airports by Air France, British Airways or Easyjet to either Clermont-Ferrand, St Etienne or Lyon.

Car Hire:

Economy cars can be hired from all airports at a cost of around 30 Euros per day if required.

- LINUX HOLIDAY WORKSHOPS IN FRANCE -

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GEEKS & GURUS REJORCE !

Just look what we've got for you...

3000ft up in the mountains of central France, surrounded by a quarter million acres of forested national parkland, there's a house where the only windows you'll find are glazed, a little like the two ex-London geeks that run it... everything else – pure GNU/Linux.



Apart from the food and wine that is, and as everyone knows, France is renowned for its gourmet food, incredibly cheap alcohol and world famous wines.

The region is unspoilt, and almost traffic-free, so there's some great walks or cycle rides to be had and the atmosphere is fresh, healthy and clean.



Each of the affordable one week stays, provides 25 hours of training in a wide range of GNU/Linux areas, from beginner to advanced levels and includes food and accommodation, plus unlimited use of the fast satellite broadband link to the web. This is a holiday not to be missed.

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Do I have to be a geek?



No, of course you don't HAVE to be a geek to visit. An interest in learning more about what your PC can do is all you need.

The Centre welcomes everyone interested in discovering the many benefits attached to open source software.

Who should attend? We welcome people of all age groups and from all walks of life. Whether you are an individual looking to improve your skills, or an office administrator considering migration to GNU/Linux, you will come away with a broader understanding of what the Open Source Movement is all about.

Companies and corporations considering migration to GNU/Linux can gain though tax incentives for training and at the same time, enhance staff loyalty with our affordable and informative holiday workshops.

Linux Coaching Organisation workshops are each of one week duration, with a program arranged so that certain workshops can be concatenated for those who wish to extend their stay to two weeks. Workshops are of three categories: Beginner, Intermediate and Advanced.

Each one week workshop includes 25 hours of informative hands-on training and because we believe a holiday should be a holiday, allows ample time for leisure activities, some sightseeing and socialising in the local Relais Gaspard des Montagnes, opposite.

Material covered in the Beginner and Intermediate workshops, conforms with requirements of the Linux Professional Institute (LPI)'s syllabus for exam levels 101 and 102.

Prerequisites Beginners

As a "Beginner" we will expect you to have a basic literacy in IT, i.e. Ability to use a keyboard, an understanding of file systems, and practical experience with some of the following types of software packages – word processing, graphic image manipulation, web browser, email client or spreadsheets.

Intermediate

For workshops classed as "Intermediate", it is recommended that those wishing to participate should have some familiarity with the operation of a network server, and have minimally configured such a system.

Advanced

We would expect participants on workshops in the "Advanced" category to have some familiarity with the concepts and usage of a GNU/Linux system and the basics of networking.

"A very novel idea. An idyllic holiday location and learning experience that I thoroughly enjoyed. I'll certainly be back for more." ... Tez Belton, Brighton







Basic, comfortable rooms, friendly relaxed hospitality, great food and healthy outdoor activities in an natural and unspoilt park at the heart of the Auvergne countryside.

See our full workshop prospectus and reserve your places at our website: http://www.linuxcoaching.org You can phone or email us if you'd like to know more.

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