**Company Name:** SARL Latour-Marliac  
**Position Available:** Water lily nursery in southwest France seeks garden and horticultural interns  
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**COMPANY DESCRIPTION:**  
Latour-Marliac is the world’s oldest and most famous water lily nursery. Founded by Bory Latour-Marliac in Le Temple-sur-Lot, France, it has been in continuous operation since 1875.

It has also become an important regional tourist attraction, with thousands coming to see and experience its collections, gardens, museum, restaurant and boutique. M. Latour-Marliac was the first person to create and commercialize colorful hardy water lilies (before there was only the white native water lily). His creations inspired Claude Monet, and the nursery supplied the painter with his nymphéas in 1894. Rob Sheldon, of American origin, acquired Latour-Marliac in 2007, with the aim of building the business. He has been working with a young and dynamic team, now headed by Charlotte Rousseau, to restore and develop the site. The company has more than doubled in size since 2007, with particularly rapid growth in its new restaurant and catering businesses. For more details about us, please visit our website:  
http://www.latour-marliac.com

**INTERNSHIP DESCRIPTION:**  
There are a number of exciting opportunities available at Latour-Marliac for those interested in working with and learning about plants. Our interns divide their time between working with the production manager and head gardener, both of whom engage in on-site sales work during the season. However, those more interested in horticulture may spend a greater percentage of their time with the production manager and those interested in pond maintenance, landscaping, perennials, trees and shrubs with the head gardener. We are able to welcome interns here from March 1 to November 30. Below is a calendar of the tasks that occur at different times of the year:

**March and April:** lotus harvest, conditioning and planting; tropical water lily harvest, conditioning and planting; glasshouse cleaning and preparation, planting of the Victoria, mail order fulfillment and on-site sales work; preparation of the park, ponds and gardens for opening on April 15.

**May to September:** mail order fulfillment; onsite sales; aquatic plant production; tropical water lily production, onsite sales; maintenance and development of park, ponds and gardens; refurbishment and replanting of production ponds.

**October to November:** aquatic plant production; emptying, cleaning and stocking of greenhouses for winter; refurbishment and replanting of production ponds; maintenance and development of park, ponds and gardens.

**INTERNSHIP DETAILS:**
Minimum internship duration is six weeks. Interns are paid 435 Euros per month net and offered free lodging on site. Lodging consists of a small, clean and comfortable fully equipped 2-bedroom apartment located on the perimeter of the grounds, which may or may not be shared with another Latour-Marliac intern depending on timing. Interns also have free use of the swimming pool located inside the property.

The workweek is 35 hours long, with two days off per week. French language is not required for this internship, as most of the staff speaks English proficiently, but highly appreciated.

Those interested should send a CV with references to the attention of Madame Charlotte Rousseau at contact@latour-marliac.com.