



DESIGN: ZAPPATA ROMANA
 DIMENSION:
 LOCATION: ROME
 TIMETABLE: ON GOING

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The Zappata Romana (<http://www.zappataromana.net/>) project is a research in progress that investigates the spontaneous shared gardens in Rome as a collective action for the appropriation of urban public space and the development of environmental, economic and social innovative issues. It begins in 2010 with a survey of the existing community gardens with an interactive icon-based map on Google. Since then, when the spontaneous phenomenon was still fairly unknown, over 100 sites have been uploaded. The main objective is to encourage and describe such emerging phenomenon of positive reaction to vacant or abandoned urban spaces and to observe social sites where the relationship with the land encounters themes of public space as collective and shared space along with the integration of social and environmental sustainability.

