

# Sur place ou à emporter

## Les Saprophytes

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The kitchen is the place where everything can happen, the place where one meets when returning in the evening, the place of the most fiery discussions, the place where one disputes the last part Cake and the way to cut the onions, the small corner of table to do his homework and the workshop of clay ...

The kitchen is the nerve centre of the private space.

To transpose this space in the public square is to question the limits ... or the thickness of these limits.

Enter home and at home,

Between me and the street,

Between the development of a space and the life that takes place there,

Between what we are allowed to imagine on the public space and the potential of life that it constitutes, between what one sees when one passes and what can happen when one stops ...

The public kitchen was the occasion for multiple encounters on Saturday, where Lucien tasted a paté of lentils and played small cars, while others hung their drawings on the fridge, prepared the mint tea, crushed the chickpeas, Discussed the recipe for couscous, the temperature of the oven to make the best cookies ... or passed, but more slowly, looking at this large table with an inquiring eye.

And if public space was not only the place of displacement ...?



### About the team

Architects, landscapers, visual artists, builders, graphic designers, since 2007 Saprophytes have been developing artistic and political projects around social, economic and ecological concerns.

We claim a relational aesthetic that emphasises social experience as a founding artistic and constructive act. For Les Saprophytes, the collective manufacturing process of the project is as important as its finished form. Seeking the specificities and potentials of each place, our projects of micro-urbanism, concrete urbanism are squeezed between the scales of territory and are expressed through different types of actions.

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**Space typology** Plaza

**Intention** Experimenting / Gathering

**Action** Cooking food / Eating food / Sharing food