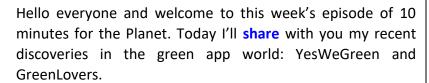


## 10 Minutes for the Planet

Which Green App Are You?©

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Have you **heard about** YesWeGreen? It's becoming my **fav**ourite app. Launched about 4 years ago, YesWeGreen is an online international col<u>lab</u>orative platform on which everyone can suggest their favourite "green" addresses. The YesWeGreen team then <u>val</u>idates the suggestions **following** a predetermined environmental chart before publishing them on the platform.

The app consists of a Local City Map with green addresses for pretty much anything from food stores, shopping places and restaurants to bicycle labs, fablabs or what they call "Happy Spots", meaningavailable nap spots, sports or arts sites, free water access, community gardens, and so on.

YesWeGreen has also recently launched a <u>cat</u>alogue of green workshops to <u>discover</u> networks and people that teach specific <u>skills</u> such as urban gardening, how to make your own <u>mozzarella</u>, natural wine tasting or all sorts of DIYs. It's only the <u>beginning</u> but it's growing every day! So, <u>check it</u> out on www.yeswegreen.org or <u>down</u>load the app on the Android or IPhone app stores.

And the other app I <u>recently</u> heard about and thought was also worth sharing is called GreenLovers. This one is a "green" ... <u>dating platform!</u> It's exactly like <u>main</u>stream dating platforms, however after <u>filling in your regular</u> basic info such as age, sex, city, looking for, etc. you can fill up to 8 pages of green questionnaires: from your eating <u>habits</u> to your medical or holiday rou<u>tines</u>, your meditation practice or your <u>choice</u> of shampoo. And only then can you start



to share (vtr) partager

to hear about (vtr) entendre parler

**following** (prep) suivant, conformément à

map (n) carte

**pretty much** (adv) à peu près, pratiquement

skill (n) compétence

beginning (n) début

to check it out (exp) jeter un œil

dating platform (n) site de rencontre

to fill in (vtr) remplir, compléter

habit (n) habitude

choice (n) choix

browsing for love. I've read a review **<u>qual</u>**ifying the app as "50 shades of green"! Indeed, whether you're a vegan **moun**tain biker in your twenties, a **transitioning urbanite** hipster in your thirties or a yogi master in your forties there's a chance you can find your own shade of green among the 15,000 **members**.

The initial idea being that it is quite difficult to be in an intimate relationship with someone who has no interest in living an environmentally-friendly lifestyle when you have strong ethical and environmental convictions yourself, and those types of relationships are usually a no-go for most greens. Also, a green lifestyle can imply living off-grid most of the time, which is not favorable for new encounters, so an app can help in these cases.

GreenLovers seems to be the largest green dating platform in France but there are a bunch of them. You can consider Amours bio, Ecolorencontres, Bioflirt, etc. Green Lovers also exists in Switzerland, Belgium and Quebec. The trend is also quite popular in the UK with the green and vegan "Green Lovers" platform, in the US with the green and bio "Green Single" platform and in Canada with "Green Lovers".

So, if you've been **looking for** green love and you've found **som**eone, why not set up your first date as a YesWeGreen workshop?! **Of course**, these meeting apps have a "Looking for **friend**ships only" option as well.

See you next week for a new episode of 10 minutes for the Planet.

urbanite (n) citadin/citadine

relationship (n) relation

usually (adv) en général

encounter (n) rencontre

a bunch (n) une tonne, un tas

trend (n) tendance

to look for (vtr) chercher

of course (adv) bien sûr

## Aide à la prononciation :

On n'insiste jamais sur une syllabe qui contient le son [Ə]. Notez que ce symbole de l'Alphabet Phonétique International (API) se prononce comme la lettre française « e ».

Dans les exemples ci-dessous, les syllabes accentuées sont soulignées.

Ex. : a<u>rrive - chil</u>dren - A<u>mer</u>ica - <u>wo</u>men - <u>sta</u>tion - <u>re</u>cent - be<u>lieve</u>