



# Umwelt- und Tierschutz

Der Projektbereich Umwelt- und Tierschutz eignet sich für alle, die gerne im Freien sind und denen Natur und Tiere am Herzen liegen. Als Freiwillige in diesem Bereich arbeiten Sie beispielsweise in Nationalparks oder in Projektgruppen, welche die lokale Bevölkerung für den Umweltschutz sensibilisieren. Ihre Aufgaben reichen von Bäume pflanzen über Koala-Babys pflegen bis hin zu administrativen Tätigkeiten oder Aufräum-Aktionen mit Jugendgruppen und vieles mehr!

## In welchen Ländern gibt es Projekte im Bereich Umwelt- und Tierschutz?

- Ägypten
- Australien
- Belgien (Französisch)
- China
- Costa Rica
- Honduras
- Kolumbien
- Mexiko
- Paraguay
- Peru
- Südafrika
- Thailand
- Venezuela

Die Projekte sind saisonal abhängig und werden nicht im Voraus garantiert. Auch in anderen Ländern können auf Anfrage Gesundheitsprojekte möglich sein.

## Projektbeispiele

### AUSTRALIEN – Dolphin Discovery Centre

The centre is a non-profit organisation dedicated to the education and understanding of the local dolphin population and their environment for future conservation. This is done by providing a four tiered dolphin experience that includes a museum, beach interaction, a swim tour and a sightseeing cruise out into the dolphins' habitat. Each experience is managed to minimise potential impacts on the dolphins and to maximise education and awareness. Volunteer activities include: Act as a guide on the beach and in the museum, assist with all dolphin interaction activities, general cleaning and maintenance.

### CHINA – Environmental awareness and protection projects

Our mission is to promote environmental education to Chinese school children. We provide training and support to students who wish to participate in a program called "Roots & Shoots", an after-school activity volunteer club. Our activities are small, student-managed projects which focus on environmental action, care for people and care for animals.

### COSTA RICA - Sistema Nacional de Areas de Conservacion

The mission of the organization "Sistema Nacional de Áreas de Conservación de Costa Rica (SINAC)" is to conserve the biodiversity and to reach an ecologically and sustainable way towards nature. SINAC is part of the Department of Environment and Energy of the national



Costa Rican government. The organization is in a leading position of environment protection in Costa Rica. Their goal is to handle conservation-minded the natural resources with the purpose to improve the quality of life of all inhabitants of Costa Rica.

The main tasks and responsibilities the volunteer will have are:

Environmental education:

1. Motivate, teach and inform students from elementary schools about environment protection: Presentations and speeches for students.
2. Ecologic wall painting: Paint and create an ecologic scenery on a wall of a community building to make people think of environment protection.
3. Motivate and inform students from secondary schools about environment protection: Speeches for the students and activities with them.

Controlling and protection activities:

1. Participate in inspection of forest use: taking notes of the observed activities and making lists of plants and animals seen in the area.
2. Information Campaign: Designing material about prevention and existing rules and laws.

Local development activities:

1. Support of the Project "environmental-productive-partners": visiting communities, organizations and groups. Helping in activities and supporting the participants.
2. Tours in the countryside: visiting projects (most of all for personal learning and amplifying knowledge).

The volunteer should be interested in the environment and the protection of the environment. He/She should have facility to work with different kind of persons, like with children, students, and adults.

He/She should be creative, disciplined and should have the basic knowledge of using a computer.

### **MEXIKO – Ecological and conservation programs**

The volunteer should help in our reforestation program. We, the organization, will provide a training first. Once she/he has acquired confidence, she/he could teach others on how to plant trees. The schedule of this activity may vary but it is mostly early in the morning. The volunteer will learn about the special conservation needs (Water management, Recycling and so on) of our region and the methods we put in practice in order to take care of the vegetation, animals, soil, etc. In due course of time we expect him to explain this to the visitors and people who live in the surrounding area (mostly young people and sometimes indigenous people too).

The volunteer will take part on eco friendly recreational activities and may help the facilitators.

The volunteer will teach some English courses for our touristic guides, members of the community.

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