



Island Life

In the Mid-Atlantic. Be explorer, experience adventures, work hard and live together with horses and guests on the Azores Island of Faial. Find out a unique lifestyle as valuable team member or work & travel participant of PATIO Horse & Lodge.

Our young team welcomes the whole year plenty of international guests in our highly awarded Lodge. The Lodge is the home of 20 trail-horses and offers different level of guest accommodation. We organise Horse-Trails for every riders level from 1.5 h to 6 days. During this time the riders are staying in the Lodge where we also welcome every Nature-Lover as our guest.



We offer the following opportunity:

Work & Travel Program (also for internship)

Available any date throughout the year (4-12 weeks)

- Working on a trail-horse farm on Azores Island of Faial.
- Enjoy riding on an Atlantic Island in evergreen nature.
- Ideal located for free time activities and traveling on the Azores

PÁTIO is the highly rewarded trail-horse farm on the Azorean Archipelago. Work & Travel participants are at least 18 years and support in horse and lodge related topics our local team.



General tasks:

- Feeding horses and working on the horse training
- Trail preparation and guiding small trails (after intensive training)
- Working at the meadows and with individually allocated horses
- Grooming of horses and maintenance of the equipment



Work & Travel Participants help to care our horses and guests. They are involved in all farm related works. You will work closely with the horses and lodge guests every day. Having knowledge as horse back rider your task will be predominantly related with horses. You have the opportunity to guide small horse trails (max. 3h).

Having less or non knowledge in riding, you will be mostly working in grooming, cleaning of the paddocks and giving a hand around the stable or in the Lodge. We will always try to tailor your activities accordingly.

Regular riding is part of the program according to the capability of rider and ability of horses. Car driver license is an advantage. Working Language is english. The program is informal, relaxed with hands-on-approach and supervision from the PÁTIO team members. Horse lover will get valuable practical experience with horses. Working time is normally 5h/day, 5days/week. A free weekend is not mandatory.



We also offer placements to Work & Travel participants with professional skills (vet, equine dentist, saddler or farrier) that would like to utilise these skills at the program. Internships are very welcome. Ask for special arrangements and conditions.

Accommodation and food:

Work & Travel participants live in fully equipped houses nearby the PÁTIO Lodge. A sea swimming site is close by and very close to the village that offers most facilities. All meals are in the Lodge. Breakfast, lunch and dinner is on working days included.

Participants will find in their living house a small kitchen, living room and a bedroom. They may be expected to share a bedroom and bathroom. Washing machine and free WiFi you find at the Lodge. There is also a barbecue area.

Clothing and Insurance:

Take solid boots and work clothes with you. Rain protection clothes or rubber boots are utile. Riding participants must bring their own riding clothes and riding hat. Work & Travel participants have to provide their own valid health insurance.

Additional activities on Faial (on the participants own expense):

During the program, participants will be given the opportunity to see places of interest in the area. We will assist with arrangements, however, additional activities will be on the participants own expense i.e.: whale watching, swimming with dolphins or hiking tours.

Rates:

Duration	Rate	
4 weeks	€ 600	Per person
8 weeks	€ 1.000	Per person
12 weeks	€ 1.350	Per person

NB: The above quoted rates do not include additional food & drinks, activities, transfers (other than the transfer to and from airport) or airfares. The rates are defined to match costs of the stay.

For any further enquiries email us or send your application to:

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