RFS RAINFORESTATION NATURE PARK

# Rainforest & Wildlife Volunteer

## KURANDA & CAIRNS | AUSTRALIA

Experience our tropical region as a local – not just a tourist. This program is an opportunity to immerse yourself in the culture and lifestyle, meet fellow volunteers from around the world, and most importantly, you can form a genuine connection and make a positive impact in the community or environment in which you work.

**PROJECT LOCATION:**
Kuranda and Cairns, Tropical North Queensland, Australia

**START DATES:**
Every second Tuesday. Subject to availability. For 4 weeks; 6 weeks; 8 weeks.

**AGE LIMIT:**
Minimum 17 years; No maximum age. Applicants must be physically fit and in good health

## PROGRAM OUTLINE

The principal property for the placement Rainforestation Nature Park, located 30 minutes north-west of Cairns on 100 acres of tropical rainforest in North Queensland. Rainforestation is a long-established, family owned attraction, which offers rainforest, wildlife, and cultural experiences to the public. The property includes a wildlife park with native Australian animals; Aboriginal Cultural Experiences; rainforest tours over land and water by amphibious Army Ducks; tropical fruit orchard and 3 food & beverage outlets serving local produce and catering for exclusive events.

The Rainforest & Wildlife Volunteer Program will encompass a range of duties utilising several areas of the park with experienced staff as program guides. Volunteers will also spend time volunteering at The Australian Butterfly Sanctuary and Cairns ZOOM and Wildlife Dome which are also owned by the CaPTA Group. The focus of the program projects will be rainforest, nature and wildlife.

**Typical duties performed by volunteers include:**

- ☑ Preparing food for our native wildlife (this is often a daily task)
- ☑ Cleaning and maintenance of wildlife park
- ☑ Upkeep of displays and exhibits
- ☑ Landscaping our tropical gardens and fruit orchard
- ☑ General maintenance of park grounds and facilities

**Extra Activities:**

- ☑ Butterfly egg collection
- ☑ Assist with record keeping duties under supervision
- ☑ Regulated animal handling opportunities – subject to ability
- ☑ Koala leaf collection and distribution

**PLEASE NOTE:** Volunteering at a wildlife parks such as these is physical by nature and can be quite strenuous due to the tropical climate. Some of the tasks that are required of volunteers are part of the daily routine and can be repetitive. All volunteers will be required to wear protective covered in footwear such as boots.

## ACCOMMODATION

During your placement as a Rainforest & Wildlife Volunteer, your accommodation will be mixed dorm share in comfortable rooms with air-conditioning, modern facilities and clean self-catering kitchens and communal areas with plenty of opportunities to interact with travelers from around the world.

## INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM COST

- Accommodation (mixed dorm share)
- All transport during placement *excludes airport transfers
- Breakfast daily and lunch on work days
- 3 uniform shirts
- Bed linen
- Orientation on commencement of placement
- Certificate of Participation

## NOT INCLUDED IN THE PROGRAM COST

- Flights/Visas/Travel Vaccination
- Airport Transfer on arrival *can be added on request
- Any amendments/changes or upgrades
- All items of a personal nature
- Travel Insurance
- Any excursions over and above the program itinerary

## WHAT TO BRING

- Fully enclosed work boots
- Socks
- Sunscreen
- Camera
- Knee length shorts or trousers for daily work wear (beige, khaki or brown)
- Light weight waterproof jacket

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