



# TRAVELLERS SPORTS COACH & PLAY PLACEMENTS

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

**CHOOSE FROM 34 DIFFERENT SPORTS IN 16 DIFFERENT COUNTRIES TO COACH AND PLAY!!**

### WHY COACH SPORTS?

Whatever your age, from Gap Year Student to Retiree, taking part in a Sports Coaching placement will be a hugely rewarding learning curve and an eye-opening experience for you!

Volunteer Sport Coaches are in great demand in the countries we work in. They help create an opportunity for children to learn new and exciting sports and help educate the teachers in terms of coaching sports.

You will be welcomed to your placement with great warmth and enthusiasm, and take away new skills, lasting memories, good friends and the knowledge that you were able to be part of a much bigger vision of supporting the empowerment of local people to make a better future for themselves. Be inspired, gain a new perspective and make a positive contribution to peoples' lives – the experience might well change your life in the process!



### WHAT CAN I COACH?

**Different types of sports you can Coach, Learn, Coach-and-Compete, Instruct, Qualify in and Coach-and-Play:**

- **Athletics** (Coach & Compete): Argentina, Australia, Ghana, New Zealand & South Africa
- **Aussie Rules** (Coach, Learn & Play): Australia & China
- **Archery** (Coach): South Africa
- **Badminton** (Coach & Play): Australia
- **Ballet** (Coach) Brazil
- **Baseball and Softball** (Coach & Play): Australia, New Zealand & South Africa
- **Basketball** (Coach): Argentina, Australia, China, Brazil, South Africa & Zambia
- **Biathlon** (Coach): South Africa
- **Bowls** (Coach & Play): South Africa
- **Cheerleading** (Coach) Australia
- **Cricket** (Coach, Play & Qualify): Australia, China, Ghana, Kenya, New Zealand, South Africa & Zambia
- **Cross Country** (Coach) New Zealand & South Africa
- **Cycling** (Coach) South Africa
- **Football / beach football** (Coach & Play): All countries below
- **Gaelic Football** (Play) China
- **Golf** (Coach): South Africa
- **Gymnastics** (Coach & Compete): Australia, New Zealand & South Africa
- **Handball/Paddle Tennis** (Coach): Argentina
- **Hockey** (Coach & Play): Australia, New Zealand & South Africa
- **Ice Hockey** (Coach & Play): New Zealand
- **Lacrosse** (Coach & Play) Australia
- **Martial Arts** (Learn): China
- **Netball** (Coach): Australia, New Zealand, South Africa & Zambia
- **Paragliding** (Qualify): South Africa
- **Rowing** (Coach & Compete) Australia
- **Rugby Union** (Coach and Play): Australia, Kenya, New Zealand, South Africa & Zambia
- **Rugby League** (Coach and Play): Australia & New Zealand
- **Squash** (Coach & Play): Australia & South Africa



- **Surfing** (Learn) Australia & South Africa
- **Swimming** (Coach & Compete): Australia, China, Kenya, New Zealand & South Africa
- **Tennis** (Coach & Play) Australia, China, New Zealand & South Africa
- **Ultimate Frisbee** (Play) China
- **Volleyball** (and beach volleyball) (Coach & Play) Argentina, Australia, Brazil, Ghana, Kenya, South Africa & Zambia
- **Waterpolo** (Coach): South Africa
- **Weight Training** (Coach): Kenya

## COACHING SPORTS

Sports coaching placements are very valuable for the children in the villages, towns and cities where we work. It teaches children team skills, social skills, communication skills and a sense of belonging. The interaction is a great way to improve the children's spoken English, which is a huge asset for their future life. In many of the countries we work in children are not exposed to sports and do not receive the opportunity to receive coaching. As a Travellers volunteer you can make a difference and change this.

We have many different sports placements and each one varies in terms of the age group you will predominantly work with, the hours of work, where and how you will work. Some of our sports placements are part time and after school where you can combine coaching with English teaching and some of them are full time and very intense where you will be totally involved full time in coaching, playing and developing sports. The choice is yours!

## PLAYING SPORTS

Playing sports abroad is a great way to get totally immersed into the country's sporting culture, make friends, keep fit, socialise with local people, keep your skills up and have fun! As a Travellers Sports coach you will have the opportunity to train and possibly play (if you get selected) for a local team. We have a variety of sports clubs and teams that we work with in a number of countries.

In the evenings, usually once your coaching assignments have finished, you'll be able to train with a local team in your sport. Many of our sports volunteers really get involved with the local teams and some of them have had great sporting success on the field.

For many of them it is the highlight of their placement as the experience and fun they gain from it is amazing.

Below is a list of the sports you can play and the destinations that you can play in. If your sport is not there please contact us and we can probably arrange for you to play your sport somewhere:

**AUSTRALIA** - Athletics, Baseball/Softball, Badminton, Cricket, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Lacrosse, Rugby Union, Rugby League, Rowing, Squash, Swimming, Tennis & Volleyball

**CHINA** – Aussie Rules, Cricket, Football, Gaelic Football, Rugby, Ultimate Frisbee

**GHANA** – Football

**NEW ZEALAND** - Athletics, Cricket, Hockey, Ice Hockey, Rugby Union, Swimming & Tennis

**SOUTH AFRICA** - Cricket, Football, Hockey, Squash & Tennis

## TRAVELLERS SPORTS PARTNERS

Travellers work with a large number of sports partners in various destination countries. Our sports partners range from clubs, teams and professional bodies that you have the opportunity to work with which include the New Zealand Cricket Players Association and Racing Club FC in Argentina to name a few. These clubs and teams not only give valuable and necessary help to sports for children and in communities but are also kind enough to provide excellent opportunities for our volunteers to coach, train, play and develop sport in numerous countries.

## TRAVELLERS TOURNAMENTS

In many of the countries where we work children do not have the opportunity to play competitive sport. As a Travellers Sports Volunteer, you'll have the opportunity to organise a sports tournament between the schools you work at the end of your placement. Organising these tournaments is a very good way to end your placement as you can see that all the hard work and effort you have put in will have paid off, and the children can really learn from it.

On your placement you will work with the Travellers manager to organise these tournaments. We also provide you with a manual that you can use to organise the tournament. Below is a list of the countries and projects that you can organise a Travellers Tournament in:

**KENYA** - Total Sports, Football and Volleyball



## GHANA - Cricket and Football

### COACHING MANUALS AND FREE SUBSCRIPTION TO A COACHING WEBSITE

As a volunteer sports coach with Travellers, you have access to a large number of coaching manuals for each sport - these manuals have been produced in-house by our Sports Manager. These manuals are very useful and will help you to plan coaching sessions for your students. As well as coaching manuals you also have a year's free subscription to a Coaching website. With this membership (which normally comes with a price tag of £39.99), you will automatically become a member of the International Coaches Association (ICA) and join a community of coaches from over 65 countries.

To help you choose where to go and what to do, we've briefly listed below all of our countries, what sports you can coach in them and what accommodation is available. You can also coach in more than one country, or combine your placement with a teaching project! More detailed information on all of these projects is available on request – please let us know! We look forward to welcoming you on board.

### Argentina - New!

Argentina is renowned for its love of football and for producing Maradona one of the worlds best footballers. You will work as an assistant coach in Malargue coaching a variety of sports full time. You will be able to coach **Athletics, Basketball, Football, Volleyball and Handball/Paddle Tennis** working at a sports centre with great facilities.



### Australia – New!



Coach and play a variety of sports Down under. Australians are renowned for their love of sports. You will have the opportunity to coach and play a variety of sports in schools and sports clubs in the beautiful city of Perth, located on the west coast of Australia.

Sports include: **Athletics, Aussie Rules, Badminton, Baseball & Softball, Basketball, Cheerleading, Cricket, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Lacrosse, Netball, Rugby League and Union, Squash, Swimming, Tennis, Rowing, and Volleyball.**

### Bolivia

In the heart of South America, Bolivia is characterized by towering mountains, dense rainforest and a rich culture stretching back to ancient times. It is also one of the continent's poorest countries. Coach **Football** at a highly professional Football Academy which provides children with the opportunity to make a career out of football in the poor but delightful city of **Cochabamba**. See the green, fertile foothills of the Tunari mountains and experience this amazing culture from the inside. *Accommodation is with a local host family in town.*



### Brazil

Coach a variety of Sports in the colorful and chaotic coastal city of **Rio**, or in **Foz do Iguaçu**, a town bordering Argentina and Paraguay and home to the amazing Iguaçu Falls. Sports include: **Football, Basketball, Beach Football & Volleyball !** *Accommodation in both Rio and Foz is in a comfortable, centrally located hotel.*



### China

Our sports coaching projects which include Basketball, **Football, Gymnastic, Multi Sport, Swimming and Tennis** project is based in the dynamic and buzzing city of **Shanghai**, modern China's most scintillating city! In Shanghai you will also have the opportunity to go on a **Martial Arts** course to learn martial arts and also have the opportunity to play and possible coach **Aussie Rules, Cricket, Football, Gaelic Football, Rugby and Ultimate Frisbee** with clubs that we have links with in Shanghai! *Most accommodation is on site in schools in a private apartment.*

### Ghana

Experience the famous warmth and hospitality of real Africa in Ghana! Coach a variety of sports including **Athletics, Cricket, Football & Volleyball** to children aged 4 – 15 in the warm, breezy capital city of **Accra**. You will also have the possibility to host a Travellers Tournament for Cricket and Football here as well as coaching and possibly playing for a semi professional football team - Nania FC!

### India

...has to be seen to be believed! Based in **Madurai** in Southern India, these are well-structured coaching placements in an amazing setting, working with children of all ages. Coach **Football** and take a rickshaw to work every day! This is a great opportunity to gain a great deal of coaching experience and to visit one of the world's most enduringly captivating countries. *Accommodation is usually in a volunteer house, although you can also stay in a guest house or with a host family.*

## Kenya

Coach a variety of sports including **Football, Rugby, Cricket, Swimming, Volleyball & Weight Training** in a sunny, laid back and famously friendly island city of **Mombasa** or the beach side resort of **Diani**. On the Diani project you will also have the opportunity to organize a Travellers Tournament as well providing children in the community with the opportunity to play competitive sport. On your time off you can take in a safari, dive on the pristine coral reefs or simply relax and get used to 'African time'. *Accommodation is with a host family.*



## Malawi – New!

Coach football to school children in the lively township of Chirimba, Blantyre. Malawi is a stunning country which hosts one of the most beautiful lakes in the world (Lake Malawi) as well as Liwonde National Park, which is a great place to go on safari.



## New Zealand – New!

Coach and play a variety of sports in this sports mad country working with a number of schools and sports clubs. Kiwis are renowned for their love of sports, especially Rugby. Our sports projects are based in the Auckland which is the largest and most fast paced city in New Zealand. You will have an opportunity to coach and play a variety of sports in schools and sports clubs in Auckland.

Sports include: **Athletics, Baseball & Softball, Basketball, Cricket, Football, Gymnastics, Hockey, Ice Hockey, Netball, Rugby League and Union, Swimming, Tennis, and Volleyball**

## South Africa

We offer various sports coaching placements as well as a Sports Work experience in five different locations: soak up the laid-back, sociable atmosphere of **Cape Town**, enjoy the popular holiday destination of **Knysna**, enjoy the plethora of water activities along the stunning golden beach **Plettenberg Bay**, (a popular backpacker destination), or escape to **KwaZulu Natal** full of rich Zulu culture where you will surf the waves in **Durban** learn to coach cricket in **Pietermaritzburg** from an ex professional player, fly the skies on our Paragliding course or coach sports in **eMakoshini** where you will gain a truly rich African cultural experience in schools of Zululand.



You can coach and play a number of sports including: **Archery, Athletics, Baseball/Softball, Basketball, Biathlon, Bowls, Cricket, Cycling, Football, Golf, Gymnastics, Hockey, Netball, Paragliding, Rugby, Squash, Surfing, Swimming, Tennis & Waterpolo**. In Cape Town you will also have the opportunity to play a number of sports for a local team, including, Cricket, Hockey & Football. In Knysna you'll have the opportunity to play competitive sports in Bowls, Cricket, Squash & Tennis.



Accommodation in all locations is wonderful, ranging from; a luxury house with a sea-view; friendly backpackers; exceedingly welcoming host families or comfy sociable hostels. *More information is available on request for all our projects in South Africa, our most popular destination.*

## Sri Lanka

Volunteers can coach **Football** in a number of schools ranging from 5 – 18 years old. Most of these are in **Ja-Ela** on the outskirts of Colombo, within easy reach of the gorgeous beach resort of Negombo. Football coaching is in high demand here. Children in Sri Lanka are a joy to teach - their enthusiasm really knows no bounds! *Accommodation in Ja-Ela is in a big, sociable volunteer house.*



## Zambia



Magnificent, friendly and welcoming, Zambia is fast-developing into a must-see destination in the heart of Africa! Our placements are based in **Livingstone**, a location very close to the awesome Victoria Falls. Volunteers can coach a variety of sports including: **Football, Rugby, Cricket, Volleyball, Netball and Basketball** mainly with very poor schools which need as much support from volunteers as possible, with class sizes ranging from 20-30 and some truly fantastic staff. This is sure to be a memorable placement! *Accommodation is in a small, modern, and lively hostel situated in the centre of Livingstone.*

### THE NEXT STEP

If you would like to join us on one of our exciting projects then please fill in either an online application form at our website ([www.travellersworldwide.com](http://www.travellersworldwide.com)) or one that is attached to our brochure. Once you have booked and confirmed your place we will send you detailed pack information regarding your placement and country.

**I do hope you join us and please do call or email if you have any questions at all about this or any of our other projects – 01903 502595 or email [info@travellersworldwide.com](mailto:info@travellersworldwide.com)**

**If you would like to know more about Travellers in general, or about any of our other projects we run in over 20 countries worldwide, please visit our website at [www.travellersworldwide.com](http://www.travellersworldwide.com)**

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