

Madagascar In-country costs

Our costs are kept low due to the voluntary work of our trustees

To fit with airline cheap 30-day tickets, we offer volunteer placements for 3 or 4 weeks

All volunteers may add holidays at the end at their own expense if they wish

- 3 weeks volunteering £ 695 (to benefit from the 30 day ticket price, this allows for you to take additional holiday time after you have finished your volunteering).
- 4 weeks volunteering £ 785
- 5 weeks £ 875
- 6 weeks £ 965
- 7 weeks £ 1055
- 8 weeks £ 1145
- 9 weeks £ 1235
- 10 weeks £ 1325
- 11 weeks £ 1415
- 12 weeks £ 1505

Assignments with two placements or more than 3 months or Medical Elective volunteer programme or conservation research please enquire via email accessmadagascar@gmail.com

All costs are subject to change in line with inflation, exchange rate and price rises on associated charges

In-country Costs include

- Food allowance
- Lodgings at placement and in Tana
- Electricity where available
- Gaz (bottled gas) for cooking
- Airport transfer
- Transfer to placement
- Teaching Materials for English Clubs
- Activity costs and materials limited according to length of stay
- Administration of placement
- Planning and preparation of lodgings and activities with host-village
- Organisation of work schedule
- 2-day Training for volunteers at placement
- All staff travel costs related to placement
- Tana staff salaries, office rent, telephone, internet, water and electricity etc..
- Liability insurance for staff
- Bank transfer charges and other banking costs in Madagascar
- Detailed reporting to The Dodwell Trust UK
- A donation to charity to allow the project office to carry out its vital work and sustain its activities in community development, including the salaries of the teachers and general running costs of our Ampefy learning centre for disadvantaged children.

The food allowance is £2 per day, which is given back to each volunteer in advance

Excursions at weekends are at volunteers' own expense. For the opportunity to visit our rainforest placement (if not allocated there) we suggest you allow about £40 including travel for a long weekend.

Holiday time is at your own expense. For holidays taken during volunteering period, placement costs still apply, we continue to give you the £2 per day food allowance and to pay your rental of lodgings, and allow you to stopover at our apartment below our office.

Payment is made in 3 stages.

- a) £30 deposit (non refundable)
- b) 4-5 months before depart, 50% is due as part payment
- c) the remainder is to be paid 2 months before depart.

Please send cheques made out to: Access Madagascar Initiative
at: 21 Neuchatel Road, Forest Hill, London, SE6 4EH

For bank transfers please email for further details: accessmadagascar@gmail.com

LATE BOOKINGS are accepted (provided that placements are available)

Cancellation: Refunds can be made up to 60 days before travel. Any reasonable costs incurred in Madagascar will be deducted before refund. If cancellation is on medical grounds prior to departure, this should be covered by your insurance policy.

Extras: You will need to budget for the costs of air tickets, visa and travel health insurance.

For personal spending money, we suggest you take £150 for 6 weeks, £200 for 2 months, or £350 for 3 months, to buy soft drinks, beer, optional weekend excursion, and souvenirs.

In addition we recommend you have recourse to further funds in case of additional spending requirements ie; additional holiday or medical expenses.

For volunteer staying more than 3 months, you will need to put in your budget visa extension fees upon in Madagascar

