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# ARGENTINA



## CONSERVATION: MONKEY AND PRIMATE RESCUE AND REHABILITATION IN CORDOBA

Help to rehabilitate injured and abandoned Howler monkeys, including orphaned babies, with the objective of one day being able to release them back into the wild to live a natural, happy life.

The monkeys are often in a terrible condition. Many are malnourished and unable to fend for themselves after being separated from their mothers. You'll assist in helping to rehabilitate the monkeys.

## WHAT DO YOU GET?

### SELF-DEVELOPMENT:

- New skills, more confidence, a greater understanding of a different culture, invaluable personal and professional development.
- An entry on your CV or résumé that will put you head and shoulders above most others in the job market.

### SAFETY AND SECURITY

- Your safety is our top priority. We risk-assess all destination countries, projects, accommodation and more to ensure that they are stable and safe.
- We have experienced local staff with 24/7 back-up and support who are there to assist you and look after you, starting with an in-depth induction on your arrival.

### AN ADVENTURE!

- An exciting, never-to-be-forgotten adventure into Argentinean life and culture, and best of all ... **an unforgettable experience!**

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**Prices:** From £1,795, excluding flights. See our [Full Price List Online](#)

**Duration:** From 4 weeks to 12 weeks, subject to visa requirements

**Start Dates:** All year round, you choose your start and finish dates.

**Requirements:** Minimum age 18, no qualifications required. You need basic to intermediate level of Spanish. Open to all nationalities.

**What's Included:**

- ▶ Arranging your Programme,
- ▶ Payment Protection insurance
- ▶ Food (excluding lunch)
- ▶ Meeting you at Buenos Aires Airport
- ▶ Transport to and from your project
- ▶ 24-hr emergency support.
- ▶ Full pre-departure support and assistance,
- ▶ Accommodation
- ▶ Transfer to your accommodation
- ▶ Local in-country team support and backup
- ▶ Certificate of Completion

**What Not Included:** Flights, Insurance, Cost of Visas (if a visa is required), Return transfer to airport.

**On our Programmes you can volunteer whether you're taking a gap year, on a career break, retired, or on a holiday with a purpose. No matter what your age or experience, you'll find something for you with Travellers Worldwide!**

This project is ideal for those who are looking to gain experience with animals, and also for people who are skilled in various areas. Biologists, vets, administrators, technicians, web designers have all contributed in the past and have helped build this project over time.

## SUMMARY

## PROJECT OVERVIEW

### BACKGROUND:

The Rehabilitation Centre that you'll work at is situated near La Cumbre, in Cordoba Province. The Centre has been successfully running the monkey rehabilitation programme for 14 years. The work of this project is absolutely vital in ensuring the monkey population in Argentina does not decline any further. There are three key challenges facing Howler Monkeys in Argentina at present, all of which are sadly contributing to their decline:

- Firstly, their natural environment is declining at an alarming rate due to forestry and agricultural activities. This reduces the natural habitat in which they can live.
- Poaching is also widespread, with many baby monkeys being illegally separated from their mothers and sold on as pets. It is estimated that, sadly, only one baby out of every six that are captured survives.
- Out of the monkeys that are kept as pets, many are mistreated and eventually abandoned – leaving them extremely vulnerable in the wild.

The project has three main aims – to rescue, rehabilitate and eventually release the monkeys back into the wild, so that they are self-sufficient.

They have successfully reintroduced over 100 monkeys back into the wild to live a natural life in their natural habitat. Some monkeys are unfortunately unable to be rehabilitated due to their condition and, because of this, they are cared for permanently at the Centre.



## WORK CONTENT:

You'll work on a range of tasks, depending on what's required at the time. You'll generally split your time between practical activities involving the general care of the monkeys, as well as research-based activities. On arrival, you'll be provided with an induction at the Centre, including a video demonstration explaining the various activities that take place at the Centre. On your first couple of days, you'll most likely be paired up with another volunteer who has already been working at the Centre, which will enable you to learn first-hand about the work you'll be doing.

Your work schedule may vary depending on the activities available at the site during your programme. Work is generally available from Monday through to Sunday, from 9am to 6pm – with a 30 minute break for lunch, but the project will arrange an individual work schedule with you on arrival.

The main activities that you'll be involved with includes the following:

**Feeding the Monkeys:** the monkeys that are in the process of being rehabilitated need constant care and attention, and a huge part of this involves ensuring the monkeys are receiving the nutrients they need on a regular basis. Your work will involve preparing the food for the monkeys, and feeding them at designated times throughout the day.

**Caring for the Orphaned Baby Monkeys:** The unfortunate result of baby monkeys being taken from their mothers at a young age means that they are not nurtured and are unable to fend for themselves – so a big part of this project involves providing the baby monkeys with the care that they so desperately needed from their mother.

**Data Collection:** A lot of the work at the Centre involves observing the species to monitor the success of the rehabilitation programme. For example, you may be required to study the interaction of the free social groups, and record this data. This data is vital in ensuring that the rehabilitation programme has been successful and that the monkeys released in groups (also known as 'troops') will eventually be self-sufficient.

**Monkey Capture:** During your programme, you may have the opportunity to assist with the rescue and capture of new monkeys in the surrounding forest. Due to the unpredictable nature of new captures, it is uncertain how often this will take place – but if it does, it's an extremely exciting element of the project!

**Cleaning and Maintenance:** You'll also assist with the cleaning and upkeep of the Centre as a whole, which may include cleaning the enclosures and the plates used to feed the monkeys.

**Construction:** You may at times be asked to assist with general construction activities at the Centre, such as fixing enclosures or working on ways to improve the various facilities at the Centre.

**Working in the Tree Plantation for the Monkeys:** Some work is required in the tree plantation at the Centre, for instance by planting new trees that will be used during the rehabilitation process (please note that this is available during the winter-season only)

**Care for Other Animals:** there are also domestic and other wild animals that you may be able to care for during your placement, including: dogs, cats, geese, horses, llama's, donkeys, sheep, ducks, and chickens.



## ACCOMMODATION

You'll live on-site at the Centre itself, in a volunteer house. The accommodation is basic, but it is comfortable and has all of the facilities that you'll need. Rooms are typically dorm-style with bunk beds, and you'll most likely be sharing with up to 6 other volunteers on the project.

Bathroom facilities are shared. Bathrooms are located outside of the house, as there is no running water within the house itself.

There is also a communal area at the accommodation for volunteers to socialise, which is equipped with a kettle, cooker, and fridge to store snacks. Laundry facilities and internet access are available in La Cumbre.

### FOOD:

Food is included in the programme, and three meals a day will be provided by the project staff. Food is typically a mixture of local and international dishes – with rice, vegetables and a range of meats available. Sometimes a packed lunch will be provided if you are required to be on-site throughout the afternoon.



## WHY TRAVELLERS WORLDWIDE?

- Over 20 years' experience of sending thousands of participants overseas, plus the largest variety of flexible projects that are value for money!
- Accredited projects helps appeal to future employers
- Excellent support!
- Your own dedicated Project Co-ordinator to answer all questions before, during and after your trip of a lifetime!
- Detailed information on your project and country and suggestions, safety guide, tips and checklists, via our EXTRANET, available from anywhere, 24/7.
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- Free pick up from the nearest airport.

*"I have been very impressed with Travellers' staff who are always interested in how I am getting on and willing to help if I need it."*

**Jess Corbett**

*"First impressions are great! Made some friends quickly and the organisers here are also very professional."*

**Jitesh Parikh**

## HOW YOU MAKE A DIFFERENCE:

By joining a Travellers Program you enable us to keep donating money to worthwhile projects around the world; from clothing and feeding school children, building playgrounds or funding vital conservation research - your participation makes these donations possible.

Donations to **Bridge The Gap Foundation**. This Foundation was set up by us to donate directly to particularly worthwhile and necessary projects for children and animals around the world, and partners with other NGO's to raise match-funding for worthy projects.

The price of this project is a reflection of the following costs:

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| ✓ Accommodation          | ✓ Meeting you at the airport         |
| ✓ Food (excluding lunch) | ✓ Transport to and from your project |

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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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### WHAT HAPPENS WHEN YOU BOOK YOUR PLACEMENT:

Once you have applied for a placement, we'll contact you and send you our Welcome Pack. You'll also receive Log-on details and password for our Volunteer Extranet where you'll have access to all the documentation and information which we've put together to facilitate preparations for your adventure!

Your Project Co-ordinator for your country will liaise with you throughout the arrangements process, as well as while you're on your placement and on your return home.

The documents you'll have access to also include a Country Factfile, Safety Guide and any manuals that may assist you on your particular programme (for example, Teaching Guide, Sports Manuals, Enrichment Suggestions for Animal Care, etc.). We do all we can to make your stay one that you'll never forget.

As with all our destinations, the culture and heritage is different to what you're used to ... which, although one of the most exciting aspects of travelling, should be borne in mind. Self-reliance and independence are highly appreciated in all our destinations and will help you to make the most of this wonderful opportunity! This is a truly awesome, elegant and beautiful country.

### TRAVEL:

You'll most likely fly into Buenos Aires, where you'll be welcomed by our Travellers in-country representative, Melina. You will stay in a friendly hostel in Buenos Aires for one night, allowing you to settle in and soak up the Argentinean culture!

The following day, you will be taken to the Retiro bus terminal where you'll catch a bus to La Cumbre (approximately a 5-6 hour journey). On arrival in La Cumbre, you'll be met by Miguel, one of the project staff, who will drive you the rest of the way to the project where you'll be introduced to everyone.

You'll share a dorm room and have access to kitchen facilities. The hostel boasts of several amenities like internet and WiFi, a common area, DVD room, library, book exchange and a housekeeping service.



## THINGS TO DO IN ARGENTINA

The rehabilitation Centre itself is located in the region of **Tiu Mayu**, approximately 11 kilometers from **La Cumbre**, in Córdoba province. La Cumbre is a small but charming mountain town, known for its pleasant year-round weather and typically English architecture. The presence of a large British community in the town of La Cumbre remains to this day.

La Cumbre also offers a range of exciting activities throughout the year – such as **hiking, horseback riding, mountain biking, paragliding and even skydiving!**

### COSMOPOLITAN BUENOS AIRES

Buenos Aires is one of the most exciting cities in Latin America. Tango was born here, restaurants serve all manner of world cuisines, bars play



the latest music, cafés spill on to the streets and nightclubs allow dancing throughout the night.

- This fabulous city is renowned for its sophistication and has a surprisingly European feel about it.
- BA is reminiscent of Paris and its tree-lined avenues and frequent plazas have a beguiling, faded elegance.
- Downtown, the **Plaza de Mayo** is the traditional focus of activity.
- Nearby **Avenida 9 de Julio** is popularly known as the world's widest thoroughfare and, with its nine lanes of traffic, is truly a pedestrian's nightmare!
- **Avenida Santa Fe** is the most fashionable shopping area.

## HOW TO BOOK

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