

WHAT IS A DIGITAL NOMAD?

A person who does not depend upon the location and utilizes the technology to perform his tasks and jobs, whether the job is formal or informal, with a company, with some freelance clients or with their own business, is a Digital Nomad. This has become easy because of the advancements in technology and smartphone accessibility. A digital nomad can earn up to \$50,000+ per year and can extend your career another 10 or more years.

HOW TO BECOME A DIGITAL NOMAD?

There are pros as well as cons in becoming a Digital Nomad. You have remote work, you can travel the world go to tropical islands and you won't be out of budget because you will be getting paid while doing so. Becoming a digital nomad is not only for the woke. This might become your only option to maintain your life and earn while on the go. Most people follow this profession because they are fed up with their tiresome, stressful and hectic 9 to 5 routine and their over the shoulder boss.

To become a Digital Nomad, one must be keen on some important things:

- 1. Eliminating the unnecessary Expenses:** To become a digital nomad, the first and the basic step is to cut you credit card debt, payments and any other debt, which you are currently in. eliminating every sort of unnecessary expenses can help you in living affordably while exploring the world.
- 2. Get your Phone Unlocked:** Getting your phone unlocked will allow you to use any SIM card with any network, basically it is set on roaming and will help you in setting your plan, regarding to the country you are currently travelling to.
- 3. Join a digital nomad community:** Now you need to connect with like-minded people, by joining some online worldwide digital nomad communities, forums, social media groups. This will help you in recognizing your skills, building you own business, learning new skills, the market demand, quality of life and the best countries to visit.
- 4. Identify and Build your skill:** You must need to know which major skills you possess and either you can develop it or not. You can focus on the things which you like to do, such as typing, managing stuff, using computer, research, etc. If you do not possess any specific skill, then you can work on one, by first analyzing the market demands and then becoming an ace in it, such as Building websites, apps, analyzing data, data entry, virtual assistant, etc.
- 5. Sell your services:** You must know how to sell your skills and your business. You can succeed as a digital nomad and as a freelancer, if you sell your services on the proper platform, by convincing the organization and buyer that you are the one. As a digital nomad, you are a one-man army, you must know how to sell your skills and you are competing with the whole

world as you have lost the location perk. In other words, you can say, in order to become a successful digital nomad, you must have another skill, that is sales and marketing. You can join some famous online communities like Upwork or Fiverr, to sell your skills and services. Demands of Online Professions like Virtual Assistant, Proofreading and Transcribing is increasing at a fast rate.

6. Alternative: Get a remote job: If you are in no hurry in becoming a digital nomad, then you can first train yourself by joining some company, that will teach you the skills which can be utilized online. In this way you can get experience before getting on your own. You can start by joining some Online Marketing Agency, and you can learn some great skills to become a digital nomad. It is basically a security for your digital nomad career, as you can take on some clients while you are doing so. After that you can join some Online community and establish some gigs and carry your business there, while marketing your skills.

7. Remove your barriers to freedom: There are a lot of factors which might affect your long term travel lifestyle dream and they can become the biggest barrier in becoming a digital nomad. A few of them are:

- Fear & Mindset
- Financial Commitment
- Relationship Commitment

Summary:

A digital nomad life can be stressful, but the key is in finding your place, identifying your skills and start working on your goal.