**10 Great Ways to Become a Professional Vacationer**

There are several great ways to fund you travels and vacations but choosing what is best for you can be the tricky part. However, if you make money while you are exploring your top vacation destinations, you can continue vacationing for a lifetime. The first thing you it would seem to do is utilize your talents, and no matter what you might think, you have them. However, the hardest part and most important part in unleashing any talent is taking the first step out of the box and admitting that you do in fact have one. It can literally be as simple as saying “I can do *this*.” This IS your first step-believing in yourself. Utilizing your experiences and knowledge is the second. This is how you can become a Professional Vacationer. What follows will guide you to life changing moments and unleashing your vacationing potential. Each possibility has links to the best sites to get you started and bypass the endless searches that do not lead you to do what you want to do.

A dog sitting on a beach

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1. Work Seasonally
   1. Working seasonally in a vacation destination is one of the best and brightest options for people to begin their next vacation and even lead to a possible lifestyle change entirely. It will introduce them to like-minded people who have traveled or are experiencing the same desires as themselves. There are so many options as what to do and where to work seasonally as one could ever hope for. Whether you enjoy majestic mountain views or soaking up the sand and sun, there are plenty of locations that offer seasonal employment to fulfill those desires. While the work may be difficult, or the hours may sometimes not be ideal, or the you might possibly be taking a pay cut. Earning an income while exploring a top travel destination is the focus here. There are several sites that can lead you to finding the right job here on procationers.com. Whether you are new to the workforce and are looking for an entry level job or are experienced in management, this may be your new gateway to glory, your new gateway to becoming a Professional Vacationer. Working seasonally isn’t meant for everybody and may have tough, yet, rewarding moments, but most of all moments that will help you grow as an individual and a Professional Vacationer and enjoy your life to the fullest! For more information and what seasonal working is like check out some of our connections listed below.
   2. Pros  
      -working in an extraordinary destination  
      -meeting like-minded people from all over the world  
      -great way to get started, many entry level positions available  
      -housing often provided  
      -good possibilities for career advancement  
        
      Cons  
      -possible pay cut, average to below average wages  
      -short staffing-long hours  
      -over staffing-not enough hours  
      -probably dorm style living (also possible pro)
   3. Connections  
      -\*\*\*\*\*coolworks.com (great for seasonal job searches and seasonal info)  
      -\*\*\*\*seasonalemployment.com (good for seasonal job searches and info)  
      -\*\*seasonaljobs.com  
      -\*\*\*workingcouples.com  
      -\*\*\*travelandleisure.com/jobs (unique job possibilities and info)  
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2. Learn a Trade
   1. Teach English abroad, dive throughout the world as a divemaster, bartend or serve, or become a tour guide. If you are looking for a complete lifestyle change and becoming a full time Professional Vacationer, learning a trade is your best bet. These are some of the best ways to travel, make money, and get some of the best experiences imaginable, without having to do some of the “dirtier” jobs. There are several different trades you can learn on your way to becoming a Professional Vacationer. With learning a trade, many opportunities will open for you with the more experience you gain, but first you must start with patience and confidence. Believe in yourself and you will learn them. These are great ways to earn and travel without even needing a costly four-year degree. They could also be a great way to spice up your path on the way towards that degree! There are plenty of trades that you can learn on the job as well. For example, you could earn some certifications on an internship-based program and then get hooked up with a job immediately after, such as becoming a divemaster. There are some trades like serving or bartending that you could get started at an entry level position where you can EARN and LEARN. Then there some trades such as teaching English you could do without a certification; however, some jobs may require a degree or a certification such as a TEFL (teaching English as a foreign language), which is a short term, low cost class. With learning traveling trades you can grow quickly, rather easily, and cost efficiently based on your desire to do so. Growing in each of these can lead to more money and better/more interesting opportunities in your vacation lifestyle.
   2. Pros  
      - work in a field you enjoy  
      - possibilities higher than entry level income  
      - learning possibilities can be quick  
      - low(er) to no costs to learn  
      - increases versatility and more travel  
        
      Cons  
      - possible passion suffocater  
      - need to learn before you earn  
      - not always high paying  
      - more job competition
   3. Connections  
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      A group of people playing frisbee on the beach

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3. Become a Travel Agent/Advisor
   1. Perhaps the OG Professional Vacationer and likewise you do not need a certification or degree to become one (though it can’t hurt to have one). Although it might seem as these professions are becoming outdated with online booking becoming easier, many people are still booking their vacations through travel companies. It can save people a lot of time, especially when it comes to large groups. While individuals who are looking to save some money and have the time may not be booking so much through agents, it is not a dying breed. This type of work can have an abundance of benefits such as deals (sometimes all inclusive) on flights, accommodations, and activities. You will need to have knowledge and skills in multiple destinations. The more knowledge you have will also increase your mobility. World travel experience and time spent abroad are both assets which increase the value of a travel agent in the eyes of travel companies and customers alike. On the other side of things, it can be very competitive to find sales and you need to have the experience traveling to often land a job. Also, the overall pay for travel agents isn’t exactly luxurious. Of course, this all depends on where you work and who you are working with. Overall the perks of this opportunity can be a Professional Vacationers dream. Afterall, if you have been successful doing this for yourself, sometimes giving back to others can be one of the most successful things one can do.
   2. Pros  
      -amazing travel perks and develop connections within the industry  
      -great possibility for mobility  
      -connect others with what you love  
      -expand your knowledge of new destinations  
      -no education required  
      -learn on the job  
        
      Cons  
      -low salary  
      -competitive job market  
      -incoming technologies  
      -travel perks may inhibit real life experiences  
      -evaluating all trips as for work  
      -costs and risks involved
   3. Connections  
      -\*\*indeed.com  
      -\*\*\*asta.org  
      -\*\*\*cosmopolitan.com/career/a61549/travel-agent-career/  
      -\*\*\*\*facebook.com  
      -\*\*\*upwork.com

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1. Work as a Freelancer
   1. Open the world and free yourself from the “natural instinct” towards commitment to a set workplace. Working in photography, teaching various subjects online, web and graphic design, recruiting or countless consulting opportunities are just a few options in the freelance world. The opportunities in the freelance field are rapidly growing and can make your workplace available anywhere in the world. You will be available to work the hours that are fitting to whatever lifestyle you choose, and you can choose the jobs that sound most enjoyable. The word free in freelancer does have a meaning. At the same time, in order to be successful as a freelancer, you need to put in a lot of time and effort in developing your skill. In order to get certain jobs, you might have to be available at specific times to meet with your employer or client. You also need to be very disciplined in order to meet deadlines and make sure that your work is satisfactory at worst. Training and specific knowledge pertaining to the area you are interested also might be required, so do a little research about your interested field first. The freelance lifestyle can be very nomadic and rewarding if you are willing to put the time and effort into obtaining one of these dream positions.
   2. Pros  
      -Vast amount of job opportunities  
      -Choose your hours  
      -Flexibility  
      -Find unique opportunities  
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      Cons  
      -Requires a lot of discipline  
      -Higher education is very helpful  
      -Varying wages  
      -Potential stability  
      -May take time to find the right position
   3. Connections  
      - \*\*\*\* fiverr.com  
      - \*\*\*\* upwork.com  
      - \*\*\*\* cafetalk.com  
      - \*\*\* freelancer.com  
      - \*\*\*\*\* airbnb.com  
      - WILDCARD voicebunny.com  
        
        
        
        
        
        
        
        
        
        
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2. Travel Writings/Photos/Videos
   1. A classic. Capture the moment, capture your audience. Spread your journey as a Professional Vacationer to others with doing one of these classic traveling jobs. As you pursue your life as a Professional Vacationer one of the most important things to do is to take in the moment and enjoy it for what it is. A great way to begin or take Professional Vacationing to the next level is to spread your journeys to others with short stories, photos, and/or videos. This is also becoming more and more popular as social media and other technologies are becoming more readily available. There are also plenty of travel related businesses that will pay you to provide content for them. However, as easy as it sounds, you will need to have some talent in one of these categories. Being able to describe the sights, sounds, smells, flavors, textures, and the ENGERGY in a certain place isn’t as easy as it sounds. Sometimes it isn’t possible at all. They say a picture can speak 1000 words, but sometimes that still isn’t enough. At the same time, it doesn’t mean that it isn’t possible, and it could be a great path for you to explore! ***One thing to keep in mind, and is VERY important, do not invade the space and privacy of someone else, just because you or your audience finds it interesting. Be respectful of your surroundings and if you are using someone else for your personal gain, it is very easy to ask or perhaps you can give back to them as well.***
   2. Pros  
      -Literally anywhere can be a part of your work area  
      -Work with things you find most interesting from beauty to despair  
      -Meet great people from everywhere or don’t talk to anyone!  
      -Great side work for extra income  
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      Cons  
      -Possible dangerous environments  
      -Tough to capture certain moments  
      -Luck can be a high requirement  
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   3. Connections  
      -\*\*\*\* worldnomads.com  
      -\*\*\* freelancer.com  
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3. Festival and Event Hopping
   1. Arts, Crafts, Food, and Music Galore! This is the creative mindsets gateway to Professional Vacationing. Festivals and events are happening everywhere on all scales from local to nationwide throughout the world. This is a great way to put your creative twist on things that others will love. It can be one of the most fun and unique ways to become a Professional Vacationer. Whether you are feeding peoples bellies with delicious foods or their creative souls with wonderful works of art, you can take things that you create with your own two hands wherever you go. There may be some roadblocks with licensing and startup costs, it is much cheaper than opening a restaurant or storefront and you can usually cut back greatly on labor costs. This is especially true if you are doing things yourself (also, time=money). Repurpose bottle caps, make blankets from unworn clothes, coordinate with local farmers or use your own garden creating your scrumptious snacks, and unleash your creativity and travel with through your soul. There are some risks here as well, like starting any business, it may not succeed. Not everyone is always going to be interested in your product, and sales could vary from location to location. Another thing to take into consideration is travel costs and accommodation. How transportable is your product? Farmers markets are a great way to test out how sellable your product is as well. You may have to give up a quality place to lay your head for the night for this to succeed (as it can be with many cases in Professional Vacationing). In all this is still a great way to combine work and travel while enjoying amazing experiences.
   2. Pros  
      -Travel options are unlimited  
      -Work in awesome environments  
      -Create something that’s special to you  
      -Be your own boss  
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      Cons  
      -high potential for low profits  
      -you need to know the ins and outs of your business and set up all travel and accommodations  
      -possible long days and difficult setup/takedown-possible passion suffocater  
      -extensive research-ie. Licensing, permits, marketing, necessary equipment, etc  
      -seasons may limit your niche
   3. Connections  
      -\*\*\*\*\* festivalnet.com  
      -\*\*\*\*\* entrepreneur.com/article/38882  
      -\*\*\*(\*)(\*) local farmers market  
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4. Street Performing
   1. Ready to go for the WILDCARD yet? Calling all musicians, jugglers, storytellers, mind readers, and acrobats of all sorts! Street performing is the ultimate WILDCARD and one of the most adventurous ways to becoming a Professional Vacationer. It is a common practice that you will find in all sorts of varieties throughout the world. There are plenty of joys that can accompany street performing. You can perform what you want, where you want, and how you want (within reason of course). There are times you might have to have a permit in order to perform or street performances might not be allowed in certain areas as well. However, permits are usually easily attainable and for a small fee and if you do try to perform in an area and it is not allowed, you will just often only be asked to leave. Having an exciting street performance can have a great benefit for many people including yourself. For some people it is free or cheap entertainment and can liven up any street corner. At the same time, you might also be able to make some serious money while exploring places throughout the world, and in some very lucky cases you might get your chance to be recognized as a serious talent. There of course is the other side of this, where people will see this as a way of “begging” or “cheap” work. You might also find that people are not interested in your talent and you do not make any money which can greatly limit your vacationing. However, this is a great way to explore and spread smiles, which might be the best way to get paid in the end. This is considered the ultimate WILDCARD because of the extreme outcomes that comes with it. Location is key when playing this card.
   2. Pros  
      -Perform you TALENT  
      -Meet interesting people  
      -Share smiles and joy  
      -Possibilities throughout the world  
      -Great steppingstone  
        
      Cons  
      -Negative perception  
      -Possibly no income  
      -May need permit  
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   3. Connections  
      -Local government website of the location to perform  
      -Police station  
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5. Work as a Translator
   1. Help break the barriers of languages and work as a translator. There are many interesting opportunities to work as a translator all over the world. Speaking another language has never been more useful as world travel is becoming more and more accessible each year. The types of positions that are available range in everything from teaching, tourism, finance, and many government positions. If you have a strong ability to speak two or more languages, you can take your knowledge throughout the world. This is can also be a fun way to learn something or a great way to get into a position that you might otherwise not actually be qualified. If you can speak the base language and communicate with a potential client that a company would not be able to without you, then you should be of a high value/interest. At the same time expect to have some knowledge of the industry you are getting in to or have a strong background of being able to learn quickly. If you have the gift of gab or are a charismatic speaker this area could provide some very interesting opportunities.
   2. Pros  
      - Communicating with people from all over the world  
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      Cons  
      - Need to have a strong understanding in another language  
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6. Working on a Cruise Ship
   1. The next voyage awaits you! Working on a cruise ship is similar to seasonal work, in the sense of a good way to get started traveling and an easy way to get your foot in the door. This will take you to some amazing places, as cruise ships are destined for; however, the work on cruise ships can often be difficult, with long hours and many days spent on a boat. You might also not get that much time off the boat when you get to the luxury destination. At the same time with the long hours and sometimes weeks spent on a boat they are often accompanied with a lot of time off. A lot of cruise lines will also offer employee discounts to associated hotels or travel destinations. If you can put in the time on the boat, you can make the most out of your time off the boat, whether during your contract or after, and begin living the Professional Vacationing lifestyle.
   2. Pros  
      -Extended time off  
      -Explore travel destinations  
      -Discounts and promotions  
      -Ease of employment  
      -Strong advancement opportunities  
        
      Cons  
      -Tight living quarters  
      -Long days  
      -Lots of time spent on a boat  
      -Possible lack of real cultural experiences  
      -Low(er) wages
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7. Good ol’ Fashioned Hard Work
   1. Get down to the grind. You’ve seen your destiny as a Professional Vacationer and now it is time to fulfil it. Sometimes there is no better way than to just earn it. While it may not seem like the most appealing at first (work hard, really?), it truly can be the most rewarding. Nothing feels better than when you have worked hard to get to where you want to be, and this is what we will discuss here. Yes, you will not have an oceanside office or you might have to get “dirty”, but in the end the reward will pay off. Work the long days and weeks, the hard constructions or pipeline jobs, or even multiple jobs to seek your next continuous thrill. Some of these jobs can also take you on the road to some amazing destinations as well. However, the living conditions are not usually ideal. When this is the case though you often are making enough money to buy something like an RV or camper to have your own space. These are great ways to save money, and often a lot of money in a short amount of time. Especially if you live frugally and sustainably your funds can add up quickly! It can take a few months, a year or two or even longer to have the money saved, to start Professional Vacationing. Keep your goals in mind with whatever you are working and stay strong. You are on your way to achieving personal glory!
   2. Pros  
      - Great way to save a lot  
      - High wages  
      - Can get in without advanced education  
      - Possible amazing destinations and travel  
      - Feel good with the effort put in  
        
      Cons  
      - Long hours  
      - Possibly “dirty” work  
      - Tough living conditions  
      - Simple lifestyle  
      - Potential hazardous environments
   3. Connections  
      - \*\*\*\* craigslist.com  
      - \*\*\*\* word of mouth  
      - \*\*\* oiljobfinder.com  
      - \*\*\*indeed.com  
      - \*\*\*careerbuilder.com  
        
        
        
        
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\*BONUS\*

Make your office a “Professional Vacationers Studio”

Imagine your office opening to a stunning seaside view or overlooking a majestic mountain side. With most of the beforementioned possibilities this is one of the biggest perks. This, at first glance, will seem less like a vacation, but more as working somewhere that isn’t “home”. However, putting yourself in an environment that you have access to do activities you love can motivate you to be productive. With today’s technology you can be just a wifi connection away from living a dream lifestyle. Utilizing programs like Skype and other programs and apps will allow you to work remotely in your favorite vacation destination. If you find yourself spending a lot of time in your office, think how easy it would be to just do this somewhere else. Also, if you have the option to work from home, this may be a great option for you. A lot of jobs are available for this Professional Vacationing style. You could even “sneak” in a few extra vacations a year with this as well. As always it is important to balance work and play, but in this instance, it is easy to be thrown off balance two ways. One you will find yourself playing too much and not be productive. The second is you will get wrapped up in work and forget where you are and not play enough. Plan your day out, have fun, and enjoy your surroundings wherever you are.

Pros  
- incredible office views  
- work where you love to play  
- motivation to work hard to live where you live  
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Cons  
- finding a balance between work and play  
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Ratings Broken Down

* Information
  + Readability
  + Content Value
  + Factual
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  + Images/Videos
* Site Structure
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  + Eye pleasing
* User Friendliness
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  + Gets to the point
  + Ease of rating
  + Ease of joining
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  + Site Speed