

THE WORKING HOLIDAY IS BACK!



Apata
TOGETHER WE'RE BETTER

WORK, TRAVEL, PLAY IN NEW ZEALAND

MARCH – JUNE 2022



DREAMING OF A GAP YEAR?

You can still travel overseas with your friends, when you work to play in New Zealand!

If you thought COVID had put the brakes on your gap year plans, think again – because thanks to Agri Labour Australia, you could be exploring New Zealand with the security of 12 weeks guaranteed work.

Travelling to the Bay of Plenty in March 2022, you and your friends could have the experience of a lifetime – getting paid competitive rates to pack kiwifruit for twelve weeks before hitting the open road and taking in everything New Zealand has to offer.

Your flights and accommodation whilst you work will all be paid for* so you can save money and spend it on a trip you'll be talking about for years to come.

*Costs paid provided you work the full 12-week season.

Maximum of \$800 reimbursed at the cessation of the 12-week placement.



WHAT'S INCLUDED



Twelve weeks of guaranteed packing work in the iconic New Zealand kiwifruit season.



Accommodation for the duration of your employment. You'll be living in shared accommodation with access to transport and communal bathroom, kitchen and living facilities.



Flight costs, up to \$800.



An on-site Agri Labour Australia representative to answer questions and make sure you feel supported at all times.



All Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). You only need to bring some suitable casual work clothing!

Endless opportunity and adventure to explore everything New Zealand has to offer.

ALL ABOUT THE WORK

When you've got big travel plans, securing enough work to fund your travel along the way can make or break your trip.

That's why we've partnered with New Zealand's Apata Group Ltd to offer guaranteed work in the kiwifruit season – meaning you'll have the funds to experience everything New Zealand has to offer once you've finished your placement.

As part of the opportunity, you will be required to commit to at least 35 hours of work per week for 12 weeks in one of the following packing operation role:

- **GRADER** — grading quality of fruit
- **PACKER** — packing fruit into bins, boxes, cartons, trays etc.
- **REPACKER** — repacking fruit into other boxes and cartons, which might be required based on quality issues or opportunities
- **STACKER** — stack the graded and packed fruit
- **TRAY PREPPER** — putting trays together for the packers
- **PICKER** — picking fruit
- **WINTER PRUNING** — pruning (after the packing season)

If you want to know more about these roles and see a day in the life of our workers, click the link below to see videos of people performing each of these roles.

[WATCH VIDEOS OF THESE ROLES](#)





WHO IS AGRI LABOUR AUSTRALIA?



Founded in 2010, Agri Labour Australia (ALA) is a industry-leading specialist in agricultural recruitment – successfully placing hundreds of thousands of happy candidates in roles across Australia and beyond.

With a focus on compliance, safety and on-the-ground support, the team at Agri Labour Australia works hard to ensure every candidate feels like a valued part of the wider ALA community.

JOIN THE AGRI FAMILY!

#myagrifamily

When you're placed in a role by ALA, you're never "just" an employee. Instead, we treat every one of our candidates as a valued part of a fun, friendly and supportive family that spans countries and continents. To hear what it's like to be part of our family, watch these video testimonials from some of our happy candidates across the world.

HEAR FROM TRAVELLING WORKERS

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Apata Group Limited (Apata) is a leading New Zealand business, that provides specialist services to the kiwifruit and avocado industries.

Apata's tag-line, 'Together we're better', applies to all parties including growers, staff and suppliers of goods and services. It is within this context that Apata extends an invitation to Australians who would like to join them as they harvest, pack and manage kiwifruit in 2022.

APATA VALUES

HAPPY GROWERS

When our growers do well, we do well.

COOL, CALM & COLLECTED

If something goes wrong, we fix it and move on.

WE ARE FAMILY

No mater what, we look after each other.

WE WORK AS A TEAM

Together we're better - it's that simple.

ENJOY THE JOURNEY

We work hard and we love what we do.

NEAR ENOUGH IS NOT GOOD ENOUGH

We don't cut corners or settle for second best.

FAQs

Who is eligible for the opportunity? 🧑

Everyone from school leavers to middle-aged professionals is welcome to join us for kiwi season! You must be at least 17 years old and reasonably physically fit.

Can I choose the job I want to do? 🙋

Within reason. ALA will take candidates' preferences into account when allocating jobs and shifts, but this may change depending on Apata's operational requirements.

What happens if either country locks down due to COVID? 🦠

In the event of either country locking down and/or travel not being possible due to COVID-19, ALA can offer candidates great alternative placements at desirable locations right across Australia. Apata Travel Agents book flexible flights and make arrangements to ensure that candidates will not lose money if bookings are cancelled.

When does the work placement begin? 🗓️

You'll arrive in New Zealand in March 2022, with the season running from the middle of March to June.

Where are the roles located? 🌳

The packhouses are located in the Bay of Plenty, within 40km of Tauranga.

What does the job involve? 💪

These manual labour roles involve grading, packing, repacking and stacking, with potential opportunities for forklift positions, depending on relevant industry experience and qualifications. Workers will be expected to work a minimum of 35 hours each week with hours spread over five days.

How much can I expect to earn? 💰

Flights and accommodation will be deducted from wages upon commencement and candidates will receive an end of season bonus equivalent to negotiated flight reimbursement at the cessation of placement.

Do I need a visa? 🗳️

You won't need a visa if you are an Australian citizen. If you are in Australia on a working rights visa, your recruiter can provide additional information on what process you may need to undertake.

What if I want to leave early? 🙋

If you want to finish up before the end of your placement you can leave at any time – you would, however, forfeit your flight reimbursement.

Who can I talk to with questions whilst I am there? 🧑🗨️

If you have any questions or concerns, you can come to your friendly ALA representative or your Apata supervisor. You can also enquire with the employment office which is present on every site.

Can I work and live with my friends? 🧑🧑🧑

We encourage people to apply with their friends, and will endeavour to place groups in accommodation together.

What if I want to work for longer than the twelve weeks? 🗓️

Further opportunities are often available – you can talk to your ALA representative about taking up a different role within the industry in New Zealand or Australia. Apata has repacking and winter pruning jobs which may be suitable for candidates who are seeking ongoing employment opportunities.

Do I need to be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 to be able to take part? 🦠

Yes, all workers must have received two doses of a recognised COVID-19 vaccine.

Who is Apata? 🧑

To bring candidates this opportunity, Agri Labour Australia has partnered with leading New Zealand business Apata – a company that provides specialist services to the kiwifruit and avocado industries. With over 30 years of experience in offering post-harvest support, Apata is considered a true leader in the field, and prides itself on having the very best technology, systems and staff.

READY TO WORK, TRAVEL AND PLAY?

Speak to one of our friendly team-members about this amazing opportunity, contact Agri Labour Australia today.

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