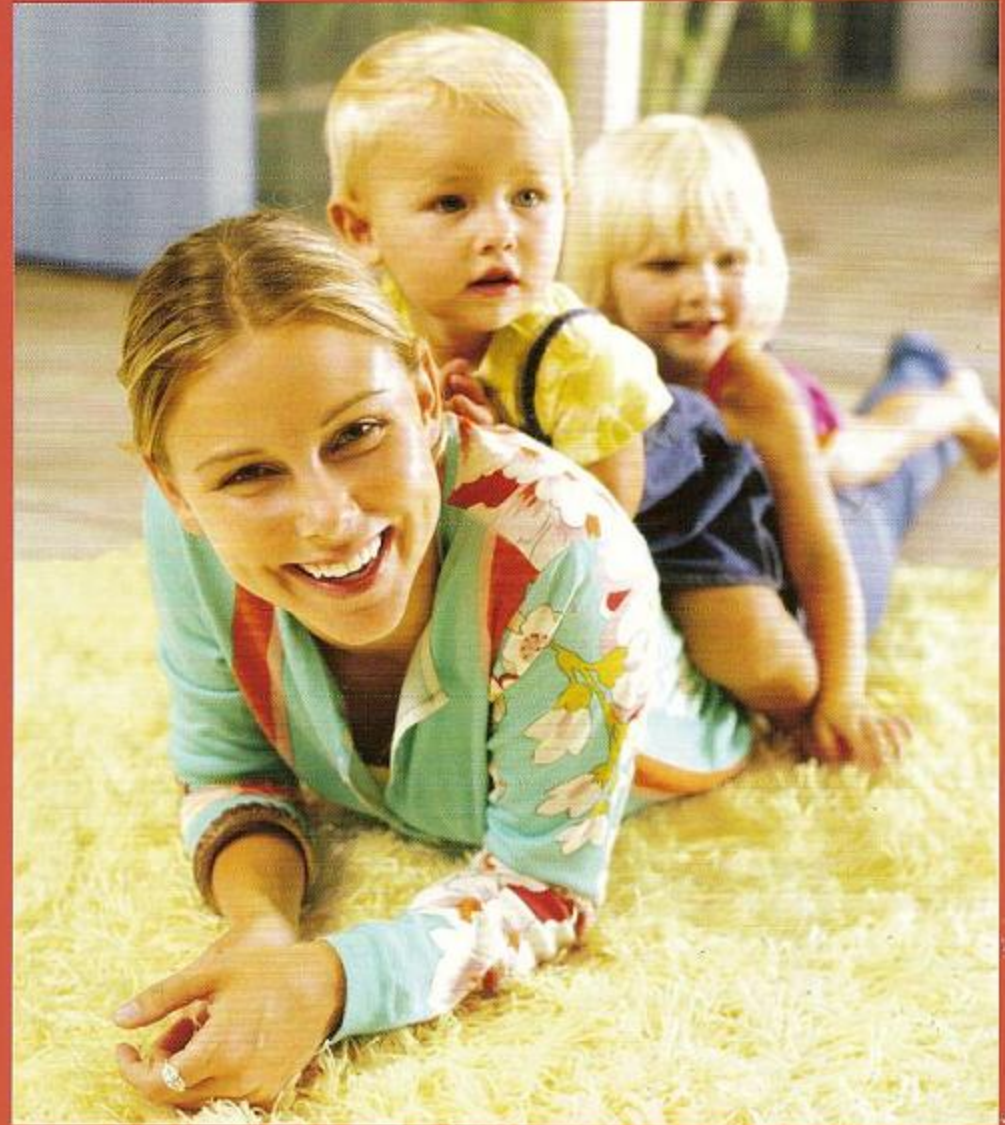


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Intercultural Child Care Programs

'AU PAIR PAR
EXPERIENCE'
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Live in the USA as a

EurAupair **A**u Pair



Welcome to
America!



Provide Child Care While...

**"Our local
EurAupair
Counselor is
fantastic! She's
always there if we
need her...and
she organizes
great
activities for
the au pairs."**

—EurAupair Au Pair
from Sweden

Do you love children? Have you dreamed of spending a year in America? Now, while you are young and free? As part of your education or while deciding what to do with your life?

You can make it happen, by living as part of an American host family for a whole year through EurAupair Intercultural Child Care Programs. You'll help care for your host family's children in exchange for the rich experience of living as a treasured "big sister" or "big brother" in an American family.

As you join in your family's life - and chores - you'll soon realize that even the simplest of family activities - a trip to the market or walk through the neighborhood - helps you learn more about America.

Just think of the rewards of a year abroad! You'll delight in the experience of forming a deep relationship with the children of your host family. You'll practice English in the most natural way - by using it every day with your American family. By the time you leave, it will seem like you've been speaking English all your life.

You'll learn to love the warm, outgoing nature of the American people as you participate in the daily life of your family and community. You'll attend classes at a college or other educational institution, and make friends with American students.

As you experience how other people live, think, and raise their children, you'll discover new things about your own life and culture. And, since your legal J-1 visa allows you to stay for a "13th month," you'll have a chance to see more of America, before returning home to school or work.



What is a EurAupair Au Pair in the USA?

Of course you know what it is to be an au pair! But living as a EurAupair au pair in the USA is very different, and much more rewarding. As a EurAupair au pair, you live as a member of an American host family, sharing in the joys of family living. You become a special "international daughter," not a servant.

In exchange for up to 45 hours of child care assistance that you will provide for your host family's children each week, you'll have your own furnished private bedroom and receive weekly pocket money. You'll have two weeks of vacation during the year, one entire weekend off per month, and at least one and a half continuous days free each week. You'll have time to spend as you choose, and the opportunity to learn about new subjects in American classes.

Part of being a EurAupair au pair is studying at a local educational institution for 3 hours per week. Your family will help you get enrolled, they will pay up to 500 U.S. Dollars for your school fees, and make sure you have transportation to your classes. And of course, you'll meet new American friends as you share their classes and way of life.

Besides your American friends, you'll meet other au pair exchange participants like yourself - young women and men from many countries who've come to your homestay community as EurAupair au pairs. And you'll meet your EurAupair Community Counselor - a special support person and friend - who'll be there for you throughout your year in America.

Living in America

Live in America Safely and Legally with EurAupair

When you become a EurAupair au pair, you become a part of one of the most respected cultural exchange organizations in America and the world.

EurAupair is a U.S. Government (United States Department of State) designated au pair cultural exchange program and since its founding in 1988 has provided thousands of au pairs with the opportunity to spend a year as an au pair in the USA.

With EurAupair you have the security of being a legal au pair participant with a proper J-1 exchange visitor program visa. Au pairs who are in the USA illegally can be arrested and expelled from America, without the opportunity to return for many years. They often receive little money, may be abused but have no legal rights, no medical or other insurance and no one to turn to for help. EurAupair offers a safe and legal approach to becoming an au pair in America.

EurAupair au pairs are also happy to learn that their airfare is provided all the way from their home country to their American homestay community, and all the way back home again at the end of the program year. And EurAupair offers comprehensive medical, travel, accidental death, and personal liability coverage (and this insurance is fully included as a part of the EurAupair program).

EurAupair au pairs soon recognize that EurAupair is dedicated to providing the best exchange experience for all program participants.

You and Your Host Parents

When you are placed with a EurAupair host family, you have the security of knowing that *they* chose *you* out of all the au pairs available to them.

The best way to truly become involved in the culture of a foreign country is to live among its people as a member of a family. Every EurAupair au pair exchange participant does just that. Host families are carefully screened by EurAupair and consider it a privilege to welcome EurAupair au pairs into their home.

Your host family will expect you to provide safe, loving, reliable child care assistance for their children for up to 45 hours each week. You may be responsible for bathing and feeding the children, playing games, making up the beds and straightening up the children's rooms. Your day may include being available to a sleeping child, helping with schoolwork, or driving the children to football or ballet practice. You won't be responsible for heavy housework, but you may prepare an occasional family meal, help clean up the dishes, or help with the family grocery shopping.

You and the Children

A lot happens in a child's life during a year. They develop physically, mentally and emotionally, growing in great leaps. They are usually very happy, but at times they can be temperamental. Everything to them has an intensity of the new and unknown and you are caught up in it. You become as excited as they when they manage their first steps or when they understand that words mean certain things.

To live with a child for a year is to become permanently attached. It is a deeply rewarding feeling when you become someone of trust and comfort to a child. They will come to you with all their joys and worries.

The EurAupair Handbook

Having enough information and preparation will help make your EurAupair year more rewarding and successful. Before you leave for America, you will receive a EurAupair Au Pair Handbook full of useful information on adjusting to a new culture, getting to know your host family, recognizing and appreciating cultural differences, and getting the most from your program year.



**"During my free
time my new
found American
friends and I
had great fun
exploring my
new city."**

—EurAupair Au Pair
from France



EurAupair is dedicated to providing the best

*"Ingrid has become
a true member of
our family...and a
big sister to our
3-year old."*

—EurAupair Host Family
from Virginia



The EurAupair "Au Pair Workshop" in New York City

Upon arrival in the USA, all EurAupair au pairs spend time in New York City before heading off to their homestay communities. Much of this time will be spent participating in the EurAupair "Au Pair Workshop," taught by experienced instructors.

EurAupair au pairs receive a textbook on child care and development full of information and advice necessary for participating in the Workshop. Instruction will include child safety and injury prevention, as well as basic first aid.

In addition, you will learn about various child development stages with emphasis on techniques that promote a successful relationship between you and the children of your host family.

You and other arriving au pairs will begin adjusting to life in America right away. You'll get to practice your English with the help of other au pairs and EurAupair Au Pair Workshop staff members. By the end of your stay, you'll feel more confident and eager to meet your new family at last.



Sightseeing in New York

Although you will be actively involved in interesting and helpful learning activities during your EurAupair "Au Pair Workshop" you will have an opportunity to see many of New York's famous sights such as the Statue of Liberty, the Empire State Building, Broadway, Times Square, Fifth Avenue, Central Park and more.

EurAupair Community Counselors

Your EurAupair Community Counselor will hold an orientation meeting for you soon after you arrive in your homestay community and will contact you regularly throughout the year. She'll give you information about resources available in your community and ideas for classes you can take. Your Community Counselor will plan regular get-togethers and activities for you and other au pairs in the area, and special EurAupair "cultural events." Your EurAupair Community Counselor is someone who can help you adjust to your new life, meet other au pairs and resolve any difficulties you and your host family cannot handle on your own.

EurAupair Community Counselors volunteer their time because they genuinely like young people and believe in

the value of cultural exchange. Your EurAupair Community Counselor can help make your EurAupair program year the best ever.

What It's Like to be a EurAupair Au Pair in the USA

When you become a EurAupair au pair, you will:

- Have your own furnished bedroom in your host family's home.
- Usually be placed in a major American city or its suburbs, with all of the educational, cultural and entertainment resources these metropolitan areas offer.
- Receive 157.95 U.S. Dollars weekly pocket money (this amount will increase to 176.85 U.S. Dollars/week as of July 24, 2008 and to 195.75 U.S. Dollars/week as of July 24, 2009).
- Have two weeks vacation, with pocket money.

exchange experience

- Receive a legal J-1 exchange visitor program visa.
- Participate in a EurAupair orientation meeting conducted by your local Community Counselor.
- Benefit from the support of the EurAupair staff and Community Counselor.
- Be given a EurAupair Au Pair Handbook.
- Be able to take the "13th month" to travel and explore the USA.
- Spend a year in America legally, with a U.S. Government designated cultural exchange program.
- Have an opportunity to extend the program with your host family for an additional 6 or 12 months

Becoming a EurAupair au pair exchange program participant gives you more than knowledge about America, its language and culture. A year abroad teaches you about building friendships, taking responsibility for yourself, respecting differences and tolerating the beliefs of others.

'EurAupair Par Expérience Program' – Additional Rewards for Additional Child Care Experience or Knowledge

If you are at least 20 years old (but have not turned 27) upon departure and have at least 2 years of full time child care experience or are a certificated child care provider or hold a kindergarten or elementary school teaching degree, you can become a EurAupair Au Pair Par Expérience Program applicant. If you are chosen by a family who requests a more experienced and/or knowledgeable au pair, you will also receive the following:

- 200 U.S. Dollars in weekly pocket money (this amount will increase to 225 U.S. Dollars/week as of February 1, 2008, and to 250 U.S. Dollars/week as of February 1, 2009).
- 600 U.S. Dollar bonus (upon successful completion of your Au Pair Par Expérience program).
- An opportunity to gain valuable experience in your specialized vocation and earn extra spending money.

Why EurAupair is the Best

EurAupair au pairs can also look forward to:

- The security that comes from association with one of the most respected international exchange organizations.
- Traveling from a convenient home country gateway airport all the way to your American homestay community and full return travel included.
- Attending EurAupair's "Au Pair Workshop" in New York City, with instruction in child safety, development, and cross-cultural topics, with all expenses included (room, meals, bus transfers, instructional materials, sightseeing, etc).
- Comprehensive medical, travel, accidental death, and personal liability coverage. As EurAupair's insurance is complete there is no need to purchase additional insurance coverage.
- A caring EurAupair Community Counselor, who genuinely enjoys meeting and helping au pairs.
- A regular schedule of social, cultural and recreational activities with other au pairs.
- EurAupair organized cultural activities twice a year.
- Attending classes that will help you learn about American culture with American students. Host families will pay up to 500 U.S. Dollars for school fees, textbooks and materials.
- The most extensive choice of affordable, well-planned trips for au pairs to explore North America during their vacation or "13th month."
- EurAupair's quarterly newsletter.
- Choosing the departure month that's best for you.
- Immediate placement with a carefully selected EurAupair host family.



*"When I came to
America I was
afraid that my
English was not
very good, but
now my American
friends tell me I
sound just like
them. I even
dream in English!"*

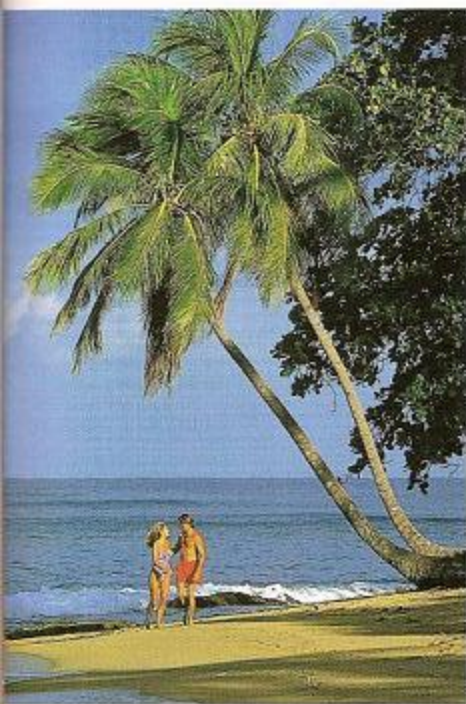
—EurAupair Au Pair
from Germany

EurAupair Travel Opportunities

Plan to spend your holiday or "13th month" traveling with other EurAupair au pairs on trips designed to show EurAupair au pairs other parts of North America. Every trip offers a mix of planned group activities and scheduled free time, at a price you can afford.

Spring Break in the Bahamas

Sparkling blue water, sun, lively music and a multitude of activities in a tropical setting - just the break you've been looking for!



Sunny Florida

Florida, the land of constant sunshine and Disneyworld, EPCOT Center, Universal Studios, Kennedy Space Center, and Cocoa Beach.

America's Coast to Coast Adventure

See Los Angeles, New York and everything in between - Niagara Falls, Chicago, Mount Rushmore, Yellowstone National Park, Yosemite, San Francisco and more.



America's Exciting East Coast

Experience the USA's capital city - Washington D.C., Philadelphia - the birthplace of America, and New York - the city that never sleeps.

Oh Canada! (Two Trips)

Enjoy Canada's Eastern cities- Montreal, Quebec City and the nation's capital- Ottawa or the West's spectacular Rockies, Vancouver, and Edmonton.



Trekking and Camping

America's Southwest

America's most beautiful landscape - Grand Canyon, Monument Valley, Zion National Park and Bryce Canyon. Spend the night in electrifying Las Vegas.



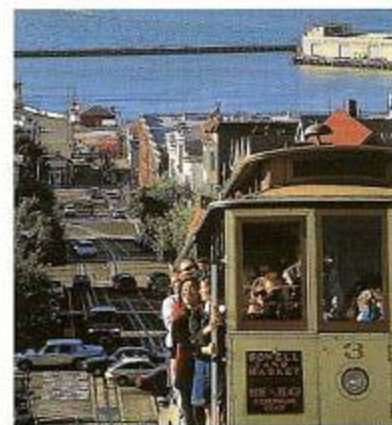
Ski Colorado

Sunny blue skies over pristine slopes of new snow - ideal ski conditions in the most popular resort in the Colorado Rockies.



Cancun

It's the "Spring Break" holidays and the universities are out. One popular destination that attracts thousands of young people is Cancun, Mexico.



California Gold

Experience star-studded Los Angeles and Hollywood, the "magic" of Disneyland and Universal Studios, sun-drenched San Diego and Sea World, and ride the cable cars of charming San Francisco.