

Get paid To Snorkel, Swim, Feed Fish

Tourism officials in Australia are describing it as 'the best job in the world'. Swim, snorkel, dive, feed fish and collect a fat salary.

No formal qualifications are needed but Chat-Bout is advising that if yuh cannot swim do not go apply fi di people dem wuck. What the Australian tourism officials are looking for is someone to work on a tropical island off the Queensland coast. In return, the successful applicant will receive a salary of A\$150,000 (\$103,000) for six months and get to live rent-free in a three-bedroom villa, complete with pool. Feeding fish Anthony Hayes, Chief Executive, Tourism Queensland, said: "It doesn't sound too bad does it? We are looking for someone to tell the stories of the Great Barrier Reef and we have come up with what we think is the dream job." The post is being advertised as 'caretaker' on Hamilton Island in Australia's Whitsunday Islands. The new recruit will work for just 12 hours a month. Duties include feeding some of the hundreds of species of fish and collecting the island's mail. They will also need to prepare a blog, a photo diary and video updates to attract tourists to the area. "There are hundreds of islands scattered along the Great Barrier Reef," Mr Hayes told the BBC. "We are looking for someone who can go and explore all the different islands then report back to the world on what they see." "We need a special person. They are going to be pretty busy having a good time." Hamilton Island, where the temperature is warm all year round, is the largest inhabited island in the region. It boasts blue skies, crystal water and pure sands. Thousands of applications About two million tourists visit the various islands each year, but most stay on the mainland and visit only on day trips. The job is being advertised around the world. Candidates have until 22 February to submit an online video application. In May, 10 shortlisted candidates and one wildcard, voted for by visitors to the Tourism Queensland website, will be invited to the islands for a four-day final interview process. The successful candidate will start the new job on 1 July. Mr Hayes says he is expecting thousands of applications: "I'm having to beat my staff off with a stick at the moment because most of them want to apply too." source:bbcnews.com