

# INTERVIEW WITH MARC

**What surprised or caught your attention the most about working as a sailing instructor in the U.S.?**

What surprised me the most was the number of activities the children had outside of sailing. The camp was full of different sports and games, providing them with a very well-rounded experience. It wasn't just about learning to sail, but about fostering teamwork and personal development in a fun environment.

**How was your experience teaching sailing in a different environment from your home country?**

Teaching at a camp instead of a sailing club was completely different from what I was used to. The kids didn't always come with the goal of improving their sailing skills; instead, they were there to enjoy the summer. So, I had to adapt my methods to make the lessons more dynamic and fun. In the end, everyone had a great time on the water!

**What challenges did you face, and how did you overcome them?**

The biggest challenge was dealing with the fact that some kids had never sailed before and were a little scared of the water. I focused on gaining their trust by using lots of games and activities that made them feel more comfortable and safe. Slowly, they started to loosen up, and even the most nervous kids ended up enjoying themselves.

**How has this experience influenced your career or personal growth?**

Working at a camp has changed the way I teach. It has taught me to be more patient and to find new ways to motivate kids. I've also learned a lot about the importance of teamwork and group cohesion, which are essential in that setting.

**Would you recommend this experience to other instructors? What would you say to them?**

I would definitely recommend this experience. It's a great opportunity to teach in a different way, learn from other cultures, and meet amazing people. To any instructor who wants to improve not just in sailing, but in social skills and working with children, I'd say this is the perfect experience.

**How would you rate your experience with Work and Sail? What aspects of the program would you highlight?**

My experience with Work and Sail has been excellent. They supported me throughout the entire process, from the paperwork to any questions that arose at the camp. I always felt I could count on them if I had any problems.