

# How to be a digital nomad rockstar?

Ever wonder what you could do without the limits of the four corners of your office space? It is a norm nowadays to see people with their laptops at cafes, restaurants, at a park or even at the beach! Unquestionably a result of the advancement of our technology. [Digital nomads](#), quoted by Investopedia, are people who are location independent and use technology to perform their job. In a technical sense, freelancers or telecommuters are digital nomads, but this term is most often associated with people working online while living or traveling abroad. Who wouldn't want an opportunity to earn while living a life like a traveler? Below are the four steps that can guide you on how to be a digital nomad and rock at it!

## Four (4) essential steps on how to be digital nomad rockstar



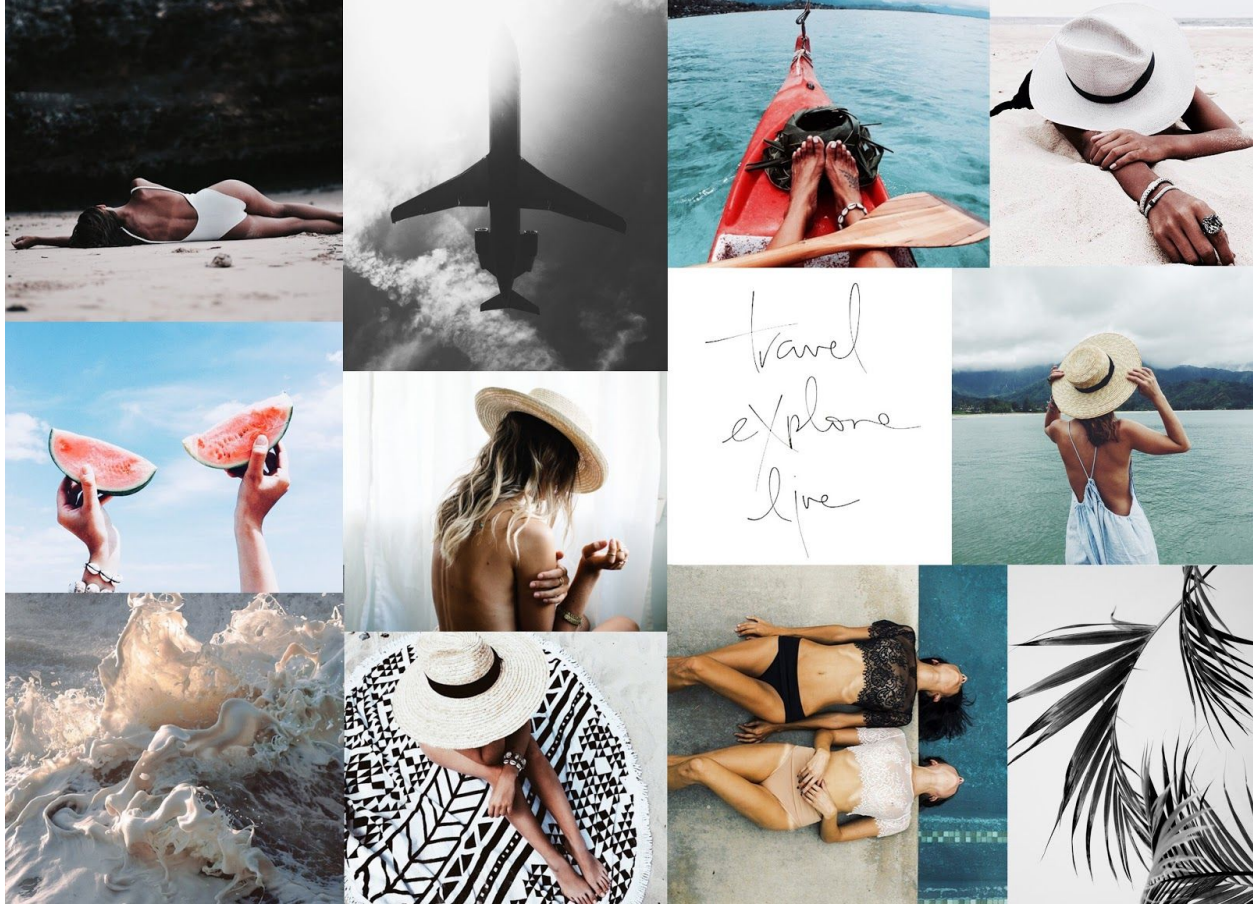
1. Have the skills

Freelancing is more than just having a reliable laptop and internet connection. You have to have what it takes to make it in the virtual world, even when the competition is high. The good thing is that with skills like writing, designing, marketing, teaching, you can already utilize those abilities and earn online. The beauty of freelancing also is that you don't have to stick into a routinary work where most people will quickly get bored. You can expand your horizon and even challenge yourself to venture out into learning new skills that could surely benefit you in the long run. Although as a start, you should probably select a skill that you can do best and start with it. The most important thing is to be sure to provide quality outputs to your clients. Once you have set your mind on a skill that you can freelance, hop on to the next step.



## 2. Have the tools

Do not stick to having just a laptop and a portable connection. Get yourself acquainted with various [freelancing tools](#) that can help you make your job a lot easier. Seize the most out of the different Google apps such as Google Docs, Google Calendar, Google Drive, and most especially Gmail. Making, saving files, setting up the payment online is convenient for you and your client, plus it's hassle-free. With a lot of websites and applications from storage, tracking, finance, to writing tools available online, you can work your way without any worries.



### 3. Have a bucket list

Motivate yourself by listing your goals. May it be the places you want to visit, the activities you want to try, the foods you like to eat, the people you want to meet. Be as detailed as possible to make your bucket list realistic. Rules do not limit digital nomads to where they would like to stay while working online (except maybe for visa and passport issues), so it would be an advantage to set up a timespan for each country or place you plan on visiting. List your goals down and use them as your driving force to work even harder to achieve them and start crossing them out one by one.



#### 4. Have a workable plan

As the saying goes, goals without plans are merely dreams; a plan without action is just a speech. To turn plans into actions, you must first have an executable and workable plan. This is a tad different from your bucket list since this mostly focus on your expenses and additional earnings. Some freelancers don't have a steady flow of income. They earn a lot most months and a few on others. That's why it is also important to have a backup plan like investing what you earn into an alternative passive income stream. This way, you will have a safety net when things go awry. Let's not forget our expenses. Being a digital nomad, you are prone to having more freedom of doing and getting what you want. The essential thing here is that you live within your means. Do not get into debts, loans, without proper planning and budgeting. You don't want to compromise your bucket list in favor of paying your liabilities. Again this is one of the blessings of freelancing you can earn more, and not be limited to fixed monthly payments.



According to [Maddy Osman](#), people choose to freelance for a number of reasons—but most often, it is because they desire the freedom to do what they love and what they're good at, to work with the clients they choose, and to work at their own pace and schedule. But everything isn't a walk in the park. It takes determination to start and more so to continue amidst challenges. Build your mindset and work hard for it-for, success is a mindset, backed by hard work.