

Brownsea Island Volunteer Role Description



Role title
Brownsea Island Visitor Experience and Welcome Volunteer
Purpose of the role
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To deliver a welcoming presence to visitors to the Brownsea reserve • To represent Dorset Wildlife Trust • To assist the Brownsea staff and visitor centre volunteer to make sure the hides, Villa and all public areas are tidy and presentable • To promote the work of Dorset Wildlife Trust on Brownsea • To encourage donations from visitors towards the management of the reserve
Daily tasks volunteers can expect to be involved with
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taking money for donations • Actively engaging with all visitors to the reserve, sharing enthusiasm for the Trust and wildlife, providing advice & information to our visitors to help them get the most out of their experience. • Manning the hides as required and keeping them clean and tidy • Setting up and using the vid-scope in the hide for public and school groups • Attend volunteer and staff team briefings to keep up to date with work on the reserve
Opportunities for you
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Expanding your knowledge of wildlife, of Brownsea Island and the work of Dorset Wildlife Trust • Meet likeminded people and an opportunity to make new friends • Supporting the work of Dorset Wildlife Trust & building a relationship with the charity • Networking opportunities with the Wildlife Trusts • Work in a small, friendly team • Access to Wildlife Trust run training workshops and talks
Support
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Support and training from the island Reserve Assistant and Visitor Engagement Officer • Free boat travel to and from the island • Parking permits provided for use on the day of volunteering
Volunteer specification
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Good people & communication skills • Enthusiasm for Brownsea Island & the Dorset Wildlife Trust • Have a flexible approach to their role with a can-do attitude • To be reliable and punctual • Some knowledge of natural history, wildlife conservation & wildlife I.D. or willingness to learn
Your time
1 day a week or as many as you can spare