

WWT WETLAND CENTRES

GROUP VISITS GUIDE

BRING YOUR FLOCK TO
MEET OUR FLOCKS

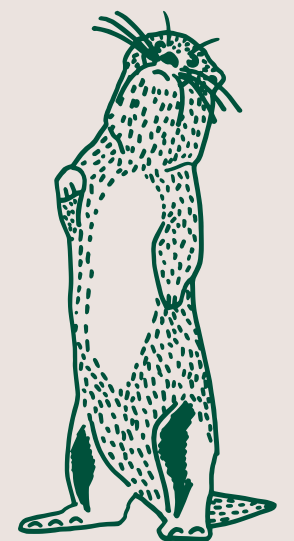


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OUR WETLAND CENTRES

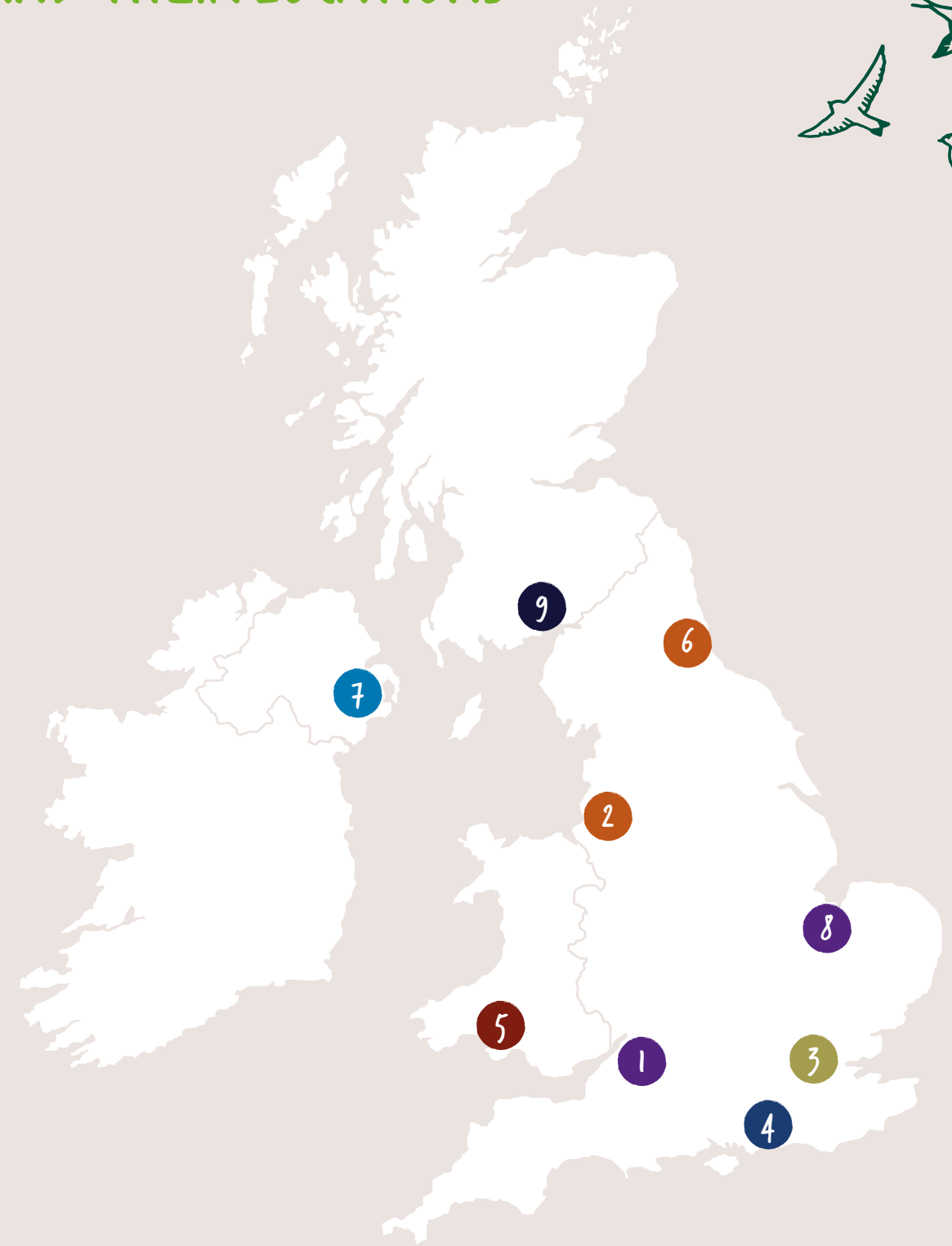
We have nine WWT wetland centres spread across the UK offering your group fantastic days out getting close to amazing wildlife. They are all in stunning locations, overlooking beautiful stretches of water such as the Gower, the Severn Estuary, Strangford Lough and the Solway Firth.

Your group can spend anything from an hour's break to a whole day with us. However long you choose you'll have an unforgettable experience. WWT wetland centres are accessible, often close to major routes and can be combined with other neighbouring attractions to create a fascinating group trip itinerary.

*So bring your flock to meet our flocks
and prepare to be amazed!*



...AND THEIR LOCATIONS



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- 2 Martin Mere, Lancashire
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GREAT FOR GROUPS

Seamless service

All wetland centres have dedicated bookings staff to assist you in planning your unforgettable group day out.

Exclusive group benefits

We have an extensive range of benefits for your group of 12 or more people including:

- Generously discounted group admission rates.
- Free familiarisation trip for the group organiser.
- Free on the day entry for the group organiser.
- Plentiful free coach and minibus parking very near to centre entrances.
- Free entry and refreshments for the coach driver.
- A range of publicity materials to help advertise your trip to our wetland centres.

Accessible for all

Every centre is fully accessible with:

- Disabled pick up and drop off zones and good provision of disabled car parking bays and toilets.
- Wide flat paths and plenty of places to sit and relax.
- Friendly staff who are happy to discuss your needs prior to your visit and help during your visit.
- A range of accessible hides.
- Manual or electric wheelchairs and mobility scooters for hire, as well as hearing loops in reception, at most centres.
- Meet and greet service.
- Fully registered assistance dogs welcome.



INGREDIENTS FOR A PERFECT DAY OUT

Eating

- Enjoy delicious, home cooked food, drinks and snacks at our waterside cafés overlooking stunning views.
- Choose from a selection of special group catering packages (please pre-book in advance).

Shopping

- Indulge in some retail therapy at our fantastic shops selling a range of gorgeous gifts, toys, books, garden must-haves, outdoor accessories, and wildlife-watching essentials.
- We know that your group may prefer to shop early to avoid busy afternoon periods and our staff are happy to store your purchases for collection at the end of the day.

Talks, tours and seasonal events

- Join daily expert talks, walks and fascinating commentated animal feeds.
- For something a little different, book your group on a Land Rover or boat safari (at selected centres, see centre pages for details).
- Find out about all our latest wildlife sightings with our expert 'Guides in the hides'.
- Enjoy something different each season, from adorable spring duckery tours and summer walks to winter wildlife spectacles and floodlit swan feeds (at selected centres, see centre pages for more details).

Feel good

A group visit to a wetland centre is a great day out in nature which helps improve well being and also supports the conservation work we do to ensure wetland nature thrives and enriches people's lives in the UK and around the world. Find out more at wwt.org.uk.





SLIMBRIDGE

Nestled at the edge of the Cotswolds next to the Severn Estuary, this is the wetland that inspired Sir Peter Scott to found WWT back in 1946. When your group visits, you'll see why. Enjoy amazing wildlife up-close, including different species of flamingo, the world's rarest goose, iconic Bewick's swans, incredible cranes, playful otters, harvest mice, water voles, amphibians and lots, lots more. Add to that Land Rover safaris, peaceful lagoons and bird hides aplenty and you've got a perfect group day out.

Must see's and do's

Otterly wonderful: come and meet Flo, Minnie and Haha, three cheeky otters who love to show off for the crowd. Your group can discover all about their lives here, and otters in the wild, at our daily commentated feeds.

In the pink: step into our Flamingo Lagoon sunken observatory for an unbeatable nose-to-bill view of our flamingos.

Go wild: book a Land Rover safari for your group and head onto our world-famous wild reserve for an expertly guided, close-up look at the wildlife that flourishes here and enjoy outstanding views of the River Severn estuary (May to September, weather permitting, and wheelchair accessible).

Dancing queens: see our world famous cranes, the tallest birds in our collection at around four foot. Their height, combined with their energetic dancing displays is an impressive sight.

Feathered feeding time: with seed in their hand and a gaggle of ducks, geese and swans at their feet, your group will love feeding our amazing bird collection from around the world.

Comfort viewing: with soft chairs, binoculars, bird books and a lake speckled with fascinating birds, your group can enjoy chilled out wildlife watching from our South Lake Discovery Hide. We also have a range of other hides perfect for watching our wetland wildlife.

Bird's eye views: go up our Observatory Tower (take the lift or stairs) for 360 degrees of breath-taking views stretching for miles from the Cotswolds to the Welsh Hills.

Toad Hall: come and meet our amphibians including frogs, toads, newts and salamanders and find out all about them at daily talks and up-close encounters.

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Spring:** exclusive duckery tours
- **Summer:** wildflowers, dragonflies and butterfly expert walks
- **Autumn/winter:** Bewick's swans spectacles, wild feeds and floodlit swan suppers
- **All year:** guides in the hides and bird watching mornings
- **All year:** wildlife photography day courses

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from our NEW Kingfisher Kitchen with spectacular views of Caribbean flamingos and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

- Just 15 minutes' drive from the M5 (junction 13/14), Slimbridge is a stunning stop off to the West country, or can be combined with attractions in the nearby Cotswolds and cities of Bristol, Gloucester and Cheltenham.
- For a truly special day, come down the canal from Gloucester, hop off at Patch Bridge and Slimbridge is a five minute walk away.

Opening times

Visit us 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open from 9.30am – 5.30pm (5pm in winter and 3pm on Christmas Eve) and our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre. We also have toilets right next door to the bays, including disabled toilets.

Prices

See back of brochure for our special group admission rates.



To book your group visit

Tel: 01453 891223

Email: groups.slimbridge@wwt.org.uk

Web: wwt.org.uk/slimbridge

Address: Gloucestershire GL2 7BT



MARTIN MERE

There's plenty for your group to discover at the amazing Martin Mere wetland centre in Lancashire. Enjoy fantastic wildlife up close including a huge variety of rare birds, a cheeky family of otters, an all-star-cast of flamingos, a group of white storks and an award winning duckling nursery. Add to that relaxing boat safaris, stunning surroundings, a reed bed walk, and our NEW RHS show garden and you've got a perfect group day out.

Must see's and do's

Pure and otter joy: our family of otters love to show off for a crowd, particularly at feeding times.

Water safari: your group can relax on our award winning guided boat safari while gliding through reeds on our kilometre long trail. They can spot water voles, kingfishers and dragonflies along the way (all boats are accessible for wheelchairs).

In the pink: meet our Greater and Chilean flamingos and your group can find out why they are pink and other fascinating facts at our daily talks.

White storks: your group will be amazed by the sight and sound of our NEW group of white storks – particularly at the daily feed where there's a lot of noisy bill-clattering!

Feathered feeding time: your group will enjoy hand feeding exotic birds from around the world, including beautifully gentle Nenes, the world's rarest goose.

Explore boreal forest: wander through our NEW Wooded Wetlands, recreating the great North American forests, with its boardwalk, central lake, tepee encampment and diving ducks exhibit – your group will love it.

RHS Show garden: visit our NEW gold medal winning Royal Bank of Canada RHS Chelsea garden showcasing the wild forest habitat that covers far northern latitudes, stretching from Siberia to Scandinavia and right across Canada.

Comfort viewing: from the comfort of our revamped interactive Discovery Hide (very close to entrance) and heated Raines Observatory your group can witness the awesome autumn and winter spectacles of up to 2,000 whooper swans and close to 30,000 pink-footed geese coming in to roost every evening. We also have a range of other hides perfect for watching wildlife of all shapes and sizes.

WOW! listen for the calls of some 'weird or wonderful' birds in our interactive 'WOW' exhibit including avocets and spoonbills.

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Spring:** exclusive duckery tours
- **Autumn/winter:** pink-footed geese and whooper swan spectacles, dawn and dusk events, wild swan feeds and much more
- **November:** North West Bird Watching Festival
- **All year:** wildlife photography and painting day courses

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from our Mere Side café overlooking the spectacular Swan Lake and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Just ten miles from the M6 (junction 27), Martin Mere is a stunning stop off to or from the Lake District and can be combined with close by attractions or a huge variety of venues in the nearby towns and cities of Blackpool, Southport, Liverpool and Manchester for a great group day out.

Opening times

We're open 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open from 9.30am – 6pm (4.30pm in winter and 3pm on Christmas Eve) and our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

See back of brochure for our special group admission rates.



To book your group visit

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LONDON

'Goodbye' London, 'hello' 45 hectares of natural oasis. Marvel at exotic birds, playful otters, wildlife-buzzing meadows, bitterns in reed beds and summer skies swirling with sand martins. Your group will love getting close to amazing wildlife at this peaceful, relaxing reserve with its mosaic of ponds, lakes and beautiful blooming gardens.

Must see's and do's

Pure and otter joy: we have adorable Asian short-clawed otters that your group will find fascinating, particularly at feeding time.

Feathered feeding time: your group can visit Duck Tales to watch our domestic ducks being fed their special grain or join us on a daily bird feed tour when wardens feed our birds and explain more about them.

Breath-taking views: your group can watch amazing birds over our main lake from the Observatory and our three storey hide, with the London skyline as a back drop – unbeatable!

Wetlands of the World: step into our wonderful wetland oasis of colourful water birds and discover how we're protecting them around the globe.

Meadows and gardens: you can't beat the sweet-scented peace of our four beautiful gardens. Plus, your group can pick up tips on how to create their own sustainable garden or window box.

Sand martin bank: enjoy springtime thrills as our sand martins dart from their burrow. Come summertime, your group can head into the back of the nest bank itself for a rare look at the parents feeding their young.

Comfort viewing: with soft chairs, binoculars, bird books, panoramic views, and expert guides on hand to share the day's sightings, the Headley Discovery Hide is relaxed wildlife watching at its best.

In the spotlight: your group can discover the history of our centre and more about the animals that live here on one of our daily spotlight talks.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Spring:** see ducklings and wader chicks waddling around your feet
- **Spring/summer:** wander through stunning wildlife gardens
- **Autumn:** join us for one of our bat walks
- **Winter:** discover flocks of ducks in colourful winter plumage

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from our NEW Kingfisher Kitchen overlooking a stunning lake and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Just 5 minutes by bus from Hammersmith Tube station, WWT London wetland centre is a great place to stop off while exploring central London and can be combined with other nearby attractions.

Opening times

Visit us 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open from 9.30am – 5.30pm (4.30pm in the winter and 2pm on Christmas Eve). and our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

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To book your group visit

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ARUNDEL

Nestled idyllically in the South Downs National Park against the backdrop of Arundel Castle, this is the perfect destination for your group. Enjoy getting close to amazing wildlife including rare birds from around the world, super-fast diving ducks, friendly water voles and kingfishers zipping along waterways. This gorgeous nature reserve also offers relaxing guided boat trips, an amazing boardwalk through towering reeds, and comfortable wildlife hides.

Must see's and do's

Water safaris: your group can relax on one of our guided boat safaris while gliding through reeds on our watery trail. Spot water voles, kingfishers and dragonflies along the way (all boats are accessible for non-motorized wheelchairs).

Feathered feeding time: with seed in their hand and rare birds from around the world at their feet, your group are going to love the World Wildfowl Feeding Bay.

Reed-tastic: wooden decks and bridges lead your group into a wonderfully peaceful world of reed beds, lakes and forests, where dragonflies dance around you.

Comfort viewing: a whole world of wonder awaits your group in our Discovery Hide. Books, binoculars, fixed scopes – it's the ideal spot to befriend Arundel's top ten birds. We also have a range of other hides and experts available on weekends and holidays to help your group spot wetland wildlife.

Icelandic Lake duck n' dive: your group can watch our sea ducks show off their diving brilliance as they zip through the water, particularly at our daily feeds.

Wildlife garden: secret glens, beautiful flowers and peace and quiet – bloomin' brilliant!

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Summer:** wildflower walks
- **Autumn:** seeds & berries stroll with our wetland herbalists
- **Winter:** wood carving or Christmas wreath workshops
- **All year:** wildlife photography day courses

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from our Water's Edge café overlooking the beautiful Arun Riverlife lagoon and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Close to the A27 and A29, Arundel wetland centre can be combined with a visit to the next door Arundel Castle or attractions in nearby Brighton and the South Downs National Park for a great group day out.

opening times

Visit us 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open from 9.30am – 5.30pm (4.30pm in winter and 2pm on Christmas Eve) and our last admission is 30 minutes before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

See back of brochure for our special group admission rates.



To book your group visit

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Address: West Sussex BN18 9PB



LLANELLI

The award-winning Llanelli wetland centre in South Wales has stunning views over the Gower and is the perfect location for your group's day out, come rain or shine! Enjoy getting close to amazing wildlife, including our colourful collection of Caribbean flamingos, spectacular ducks, swans and geese, elegant waders, and the world's rarest goose. Your group can relax as they stroll around pools, lagoons and hides where they can spot all sorts of fantastic and diverse wetland wildlife.

Must see's and do's

In the pink: bringing a flush of pink to our glorious reserve, our fabulous flock of Caribbean flamingos are ready and waiting to meet your group.

Feathered feeding time: with seed in their hand and a gaggle of ducks and geese at their feet, your group will love this experience.

Spectacular bird's eye views: climb our viewing tower for 360 degree views, stretching all the way out and over the stunning salt marshes and the shore of the scenic Burry Inlet on the Gower.

Millennium Wetlands: an incredible mosaic of lagoons, ponds, scrapes and streams, alive with otters, herons, and hundreds of amazing water birds. 'WOW' is the only word for it.

Comfort viewing: your group can watch fascinating birds such as little egrets, short-eared owls and curlew from the comfort of our fully accessible hides. Bird sightings are subject to seasonal changes so your group are sure to spot new species on each visit!

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Spring/autumn:** migratory bird spectacles
- **Summer:** bike hire and canoe safaris
- **Autumn:** fantastic bat walks

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from our NEW Kingfisher Kitchen while enjoying views over the Gower and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Just 12 miles from the M4 (junction 48) off the A484 and B4304 to Swansea, Llanelli wetland centre is a stunning stop off to or from the Gower and can be combined with visits to nearby Swansea, Cardiff and other holiday areas along the coast.

Opening times

Visit us 363 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Eve and Day.

We are open from 9.30am – 5pm and our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

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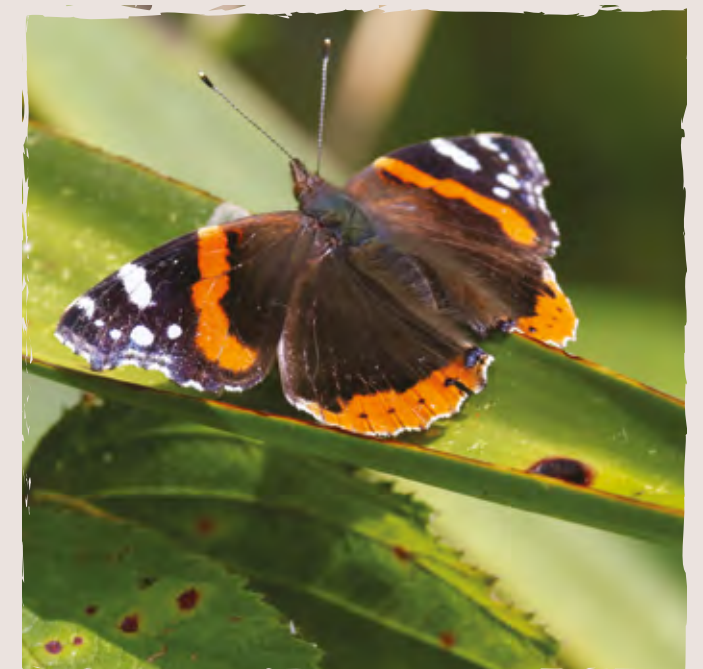
To book your group visit

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WASHINGTON

Your group is sure to love this beautiful centre on the banks of the River Wear. They will enjoy getting close to amazing wildlife such as cheeky otters, majestic Eurasian cranes, exotic Chilean flamingos and some of the most endangered water birds on this planet. Your group can relax as they stroll around wildflower meadows, woods and our saline lagoon spotting herons, woodland birds, curlews and lots more.

Must see's and do's

Otterly delightful: introducing Mimi, Musa and their cheeky youngsters. Feeding time is fascinating; your group can learn all about our growing otter family and their wild cousins while they enjoy their delicious treats.

In the pink: with their striking pink plumage and dancing displays, our Chilean flamingos are unmissable. Find out fascinating facts at our daily talk.

Feathered feeding time: with seed in their hand and a gaggle of ducks and geese at their feet, your group can have unforgettable wildlife experiences in Ganderland and our NEW Close Encounters.

Boardwalk on the wildside: basking broad-bodied chasers, hatching common frogs and emerging great-crested newts – the warmer months turn these ponds into a real wildlife hotspot.

Spectacular saline lagoon: your group can enjoy one of the rarest and most unique habitats in the UK from the Lagoon View Hide, with impressive panoramic views of the River Wear. Wildlife spotting highlights include wild otter, kingfisher and roe deer.

Hawthorn wood haven: bullfinch, great-spotted woodpeckers and a host of other birds flit and feed regularly at Hawthorn Wood feeding station, particularly in winter. A magical woodland sanctuary for feathered and human visitors alike.

Wader Lake wonders: binoculars at the ready for easy views of breeding avocets and lapwings (in spring), a busy common tern colony (in summer) and one of the UK's best heronries, from our four lake-side hides. Your group can find out more about our fascinating wild birds with our expert guide in the hides (selected Saturdays – see website for details).

Working Wetland garden: our newest exhibit demonstrates how easy it can be for your group to create a rain garden at home while providing a colourful and sensory space for all to enjoy. Winner of two gold awards at the Royal Hampton Court Flower Show 2016.

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **All year:** twice-monthly reserve walks (every third Saturday and fourth Sunday)

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from our Waterside café while enjoying panoramic views over the stream area and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Just four miles from the A1M (junction 64/65) and two miles from the A19, Washington wetland centre can easily be combined with visits to nearby Newcastle and Sunderland.

Opening times

Visit us 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open 9.30am – 5.30pm (4.30pm in winter months and 2pm on Christmas Eve), and our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

See back of brochure for our special group admission rates.

To book your group visit

Tel: 0191 416 5454

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Web: wwt.org.uk/washington

Address: Tyne and Wear NE38 8LE





CASTLE ESPIE

On the shores of stunning Strangford Lough in Northern Ireland, Castle Espie is perfect for your group visit. Enjoy getting close to Ireland's largest collection of native and exotic birds and wonder at our annual arctic arrivals – the Brent geese. Your group can stroll in beautiful woodlands, alongside lagoons and through a magical sensory garden while spotting wetland wildlife along the way.

Must see's and do's

Feathered feeding time: with seed in their hand and a gaggle of ducks and geese at their feet, your group will love our Close Encounters area.

Bird's eye views: for fabulous views of Strangford Lough and the wildlife that lives there, it has to be our Lime Kiln Observatory with floor to ceiling windows – perfect for your group to watch huge flocks of Brent geese in the autumn.

A garden oasis for the senses: this is herb-scented heaven with birds calling, the splash of a rill pond and an impressive redwood tree as the centre piece.

Art of conservation: with beautiful work from local artists, a wander around our light and airy gallery makes a fabulous addition to your group's day.

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Spring:** exclusive duckery tours
- **Autumn:** Big Brent Event

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from the wonderful Kingfisher Kitchen while enjoying panoramic views across the reserve to Strangford Lough and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Close to the A22 Castle Espie can easily be combined with close by attractions and a variety of venues in nearby Belfast and the South Antrim Coast.

Opening times

Visit us 363 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

We're open from 10.00am – 5pm. Our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

See back of brochure for our special group admission rates.

To book your group visit

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WELNEY

Set in spectacular fen landscape Welney offers a fantastic day out for your group. Enjoy watching thousands of wintering wild swans, flocks of ducks, geese and wading birds. Add to this Lady Fen's bats, barn owls, hares, dragonfly ponds and a summer wildlife walk and you have the perfect group experience.

Must see's and do's

The lovely Lady Fen: for spectacular views over this magnificent stretch of land, your group can take their seats in our café. Expect boxing hares in the spring and thousands of whooper swans in winter.

A perfect hide away: warm, comfortable and packed with interactive tools, our main observatory is just the spot for the winter's swan spectacular.

Stop, watch and wonder: your group can uncover the fascinating stories and hidden artefacts that make the Fens so special in our Fenland Worlds exhibition.

Summer walks in the washes: sweep through scent-filled meadows as your group cut a peaceful path through the wild washes of the Fens on this blissful summer walk.

Time out at our dragonfly ponds: the only things that break the stillness of this tranquil spot, are the dragonflies and damselflies skipping along the surface of the ponds. The rest is perfectly serene.

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Summer:** discover our meandering summer walk along the washes and enjoy the fenland skies at one of the best wetlands in the country
- **Autumn/winter:** experience thousands of whooper and Bewick's swans flying in and getting a personal swan feed on Wednesdays. Refreshments can be provided in the spacious visitor centre overlooking Lady Fen

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious food and drink from the Wigeon café while enjoying panoramic views across the Fens and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Close to Ely, Welney can easily be combined with a visit to nearby Cambridge and the Fens.

Opening times

Visit us 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open between 9.30am – 5pm (10am – 5pm with some late night openings in winter). Our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

See back of brochure for our special group admission rates.

To book your group visit

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CAERLAVEROCK

Overlooking the Solway Firth, our Scottish hidden gem is perfect for your group visit. Enjoy unforgettable spectacles of wintering swans and geese, breeding ospreys and skylarks. Add to this a meandering meadow and river walk, the ancient Triops and more towers, hides and observatories than anywhere else in Scotland and your group won't want to leave.

Must see's and do's

Whoops of joy: thousands of wild whooper swans swoop in from Iceland in October, staying with us until the end of March. Feeding time in our Sir Peter Scott Observatory is one show not to be missed!

Bird's eye views: from the top of the farmhouse tower your group can enjoy a 360 degree view over the reserve and the Solway with the famous barnacle geese feeding in winter.

Watch and wonder: barnacle geese feeding on the merse, waders wheeling on the tide, hen harriers and peregrine falcons hunting over the Solway – Saltcot Merse Observatory is a must for your group.

Take the wet woodland trail: your group can wind their way around our Sir Peter Scott centenary woodland trail, then visit our hides to catch kingfishers and tree sparrows going about their day, and if your group is lucky they may spot the elusive water rail.

Magical meadows and riverbanks: meander through butterfly-filled meadows and along the banks of the Lochar Water – our summer walks are the ultimate rush.

Bird cam: watch live all the latest action from our osprey nest in the summer. Then in the winter, the swans are the stars of our café-side bird cam.

Expert knowledge: your group can go on a fantastic guided tour of the centre to learn more about our history and wildlife.

Seasonal highlights and events

- **Summer:** explore our 'Walk on the Wildside' path with skylarks overhead
- **Autumn/winter:** whooper swan and barnacle geese spectacles
- **All year:** wildlife art exhibitions

Café and shop

Round off your group's day perfectly with delicious light lunches, snacks and drinks, including homemade cakes, from our cosy coffee shop and have a browse in our fabulous gift shop.

Where we are

Nine miles from Dumfries, Caerlaverock can easily be combined with attractions close by, including Caerlaverock Castle, and makes an ideal stop off to the Southern Uplands.

Opening times

Visit us 364 days a year – that's every day except Christmas Day.

We're open between 10am – 5pm. Our last admission is one hour before closing.

Coach and minibus parking

We have ample, FREE coach and minibus parking which is adjacent to our centre.

Prices

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To book your group visit

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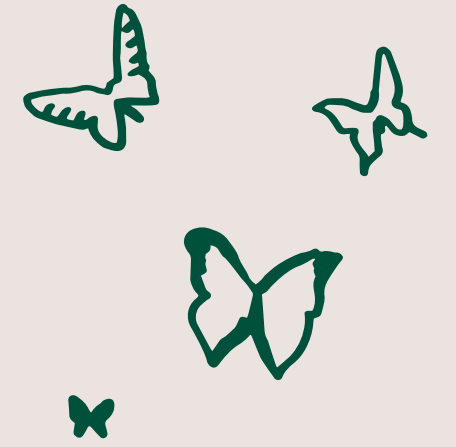
Email: groups.caerlaverock@wwt.org.uk

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A lapwing, one of the many beautiful wading birds you can see at WWT wetland centres



"What WWT has achieved matches Sir Peter Scott's ambition and it is astonishing"

Sir David Attenborough



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