



WELCOME

MAP AND DAY PLANNER



DON'T MISS...

Information boards in the reception area – check the 'What's on' and 'What's about' boards for up to date information about things to do and see.

The farmhouse tower – fantastic panoramic views across the entire reserve and the Solway Firth.

The Sir Peter Scott observatory – get closer to wintering wild whooper swans than anywhere in the country from the comfort of this heated observatory. Large picture windows immerse you in a unique wildlife watching experience. Panoramic views from the tower with multi-access lift.



Wild swan feed at Peter Scott Observatory

Saltcot loaning and Merse observatory – a screened path lined with hides overlooking the fields and ponds, leading to the Merse observatory and tower with its views over the Solway tides.

The avenue and tower – another screened avenue leading to a three-storey tower looking out over the flood ground and goose grazing fields.

The Peter Scott centenary walk – explore the wet woodland habitat with its bird hides and wild bird feeding area.

Wildflower meadow and river walks – open in summer, these paths meander round the meadow and along the banks of the Lochar Water with butterflies flitting and dragonflies hawking and maybe even a glimpse of an elusive otter.

Live CCTV in the cafe - swan cam over the whooper pond during the day in winter, and badger cam in the evening. Osprey cam in summer.

TALKS AND ACTIVITIES

Wild swan feed and live commentary by the warden

– daily at 11am and 2pm from the Sir Peter Scott Observatory, October to end of March (included in admission price).

Guide in the hides – see 'What's on' board for details (free).

Pond dipping – self-guided at the raised pond, daily 10am to 5pm, May to end August (included in admission price).



Pond dipping

Yurt – with activities for families all year round.

Monthly trails – around the reserve highlighting wildlife and WWT projects.

Special events on throughout the year – see 'What's on' board for details. The wildlife sightings board which is in the centre and provides up to date information about the wildlife on the reserve.



Curlew

INFORMATION

Fancy a cuppa or a browse in the shop?

Enjoy your tea and cake or hot meals in the Cathan Coffee Shop ('Cathan' means barnacle goose in Gaelic). And find that special gift in the shop, knowing you are supporting WWT's vital conservation work.

Binoculars

Hire binoculars from the admissions desk. Binoculars are also for sale in the visitor centre.

Accessibility

The site is accessible for wheelchairs and buggies with level paths of compacted stone or mown grass.

We have a wheelchair available for visitors to use on request. Refer to the map for the location of the accessible toilets and baby changing facilities. Ask at the admissions desk for further information and advice on areas of limited access.

Photography

There are great photo opportunities here and it's fine for you to take photos for personal use. Enjoy the latest exhibition by local wildlife and landscape artists, crafters and photographers. For more information, please go to our website.

Opening times

Centre: 10am - 5pm every day except 25 December.
Coffee shop: 10.30am - 4.15pm daily.



Cathan Coffee Shop



Barnacle geese

TAKE CARE AND HELP US PROTECT THE WILDLIFE HERE

- Please stay on the marked paths and be careful near water.
- Enjoy your close encounters with wildlife here but remember all animals can carry diseases. Washing your hands is a sensible way to protect yourself, especially before eating.
- Birds have ears too – you'll see more around the reserve and in the hides if you are quiet and approach slowly.
- Please don't pick leaves, flowers and berries - they are important for our wildlife, and some may even be harmful to you.



Migrant hawk dragonfly

SEE YOU NEXT TIME

For information on regular and special events, wildlife sightings and webcams, go to wwt.org.uk/caerlaverock

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