

 **VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY: Reserve Volunteer (Wednesday Group)**

At WWT, we create and conserve wetlands and save species. Llanelli Wetland Centre is 450 acres of saltmarsh, lakes, scrapes, pools, streams and lagoons providing a refuge for many different species of plants and animals. By working as part of the reserves volunteer team you will assist with the management of all aspects of the nature reserve. This will help to provide our wildlife with the most beneficial of habitats and provide visitors with a great day out and encourage them to engage with and support our work to save wetlands for wildlife and people.

This is a fantastic opportunity to get stuck in with some practical nature conservation as part of a friendly team and could be a stepping stone for anyone wanting to gain further experience to help gain a career in conservation.

Volunteers play a crucial role in saving wetlands for wildlife and people.

**This role involves:**

* Removal of invasive plant species.
* Assisting with maintenance of hedges and trees.
* Assisting with maintenance of meadows.
* Assisting with maintenance of waterways such as ditches, channels and ponds.
* Creating and maintaining infrastructure such as pathways and hides.
* Creating and maintaining wildlife habitat including ponds, woodland and meadows.
* Supporting research and monitoring activities which may include surveys for otter, mink, breeding birds, wetland birds, reptiles, water voles, butterflies and dragonflies

**This role will suit you if:**

* You have experience of working practically in an outdoor environment
* You enjoy working as part of a team
* You are interested in nature and wildlife conservation
* You are reasonably physically fit and do not mind working outdoors in all kinds of weather

**Practicalities**

**Where will you be based?** WWT Llanelli Wetland Centre

**Who will you volunteer with?** Reserve Manager and the Wednesday Volunteer Group

**Time commitment?** Wednesdays 10am – 1pm

We want your volunteering to be a positive and fun experience. You’ll get a warm welcome, including information on training, equipment and other information you need. This will include risk assessments based on your role and any particular support you need.

Volunteers receiveaccess to our sites, and discounts in our shops and cafes. Some roles include a uniform or require the use of equipment or protective clothing.

If you are based at a particular site or office location, you’ll need to be able to get yourself there and back. Information on locations can be found on our [website](https://www.wwt.org.uk/wetland-centres).

If you are interested in volunteering for WWT but don't wish to apply online, please email volunteering@wwt.org.uk or leave a message at 01453 891 231 with your name and number.

We will keep you up to date with what’s happening across WWT and the difference you will be helping to make happen.

**Interested?**

If you are interested in this role, please complete an application form so that we can talk it through further with you.