



Yorkshire
Wildlife Trust

From family
fun to expert
encounters, there's
an adventure
waiting for
everyone!

Your Wild Events Guide

Discover and enjoy nature near
you this autumn and winter!

October 2024 to
March 2025

A photograph of a young child wearing a green jacket and a grey knit hat with two pom-poms, crouching in a field of autumn foliage and ferns, looking down at the ground.

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Get ready to go

WILD!

Adventure awaits this autumn and winter as our jam-packed programme of events has something for everyone to enjoy! Come and explore the magical world of Yorkshire's wildlife with our friendly team; whether you're spellbound by our fabulous fungi, crafting your very own wand, going batty for bats, staring towards the stars or searching for shark eggs, there's something to suit everyone no matter their interest. Whatever you choose, we simply cannot wait to explore Yorkshire's wildlife and wild places with you!

This guide features all the inspiration and information you need to join in!

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Embracing your wild side – what to expect at our events:

Wild, Wilder or Wildest? Our events offer different levels of wildness to suit your interests and skills. Whether you're looking to embark on your first Wild adventure or you're one of the Wildest explorers around, we've got you covered!



WILD: Introductory events to Yorkshire's wildlife and wild places. Perfect for first-time visitors as we'll lead the way! Great for families.



WILDER: Take a step off the beaten track and nurture your growing passion for our incredible wildlife with these fun and adventurous events. Great for budding wildlife enthusiasts.



WILDEST: These events are generally aimed at an adult audience and may be more physically challenging. Our Wildest events often focus on specific species or nature reserves. Great for delving into the detail.



TEAM WILDER: Inspiring events where you'll learn skills to make a difference in your patch!



MEMBERS' DISCOUNT: Members of Yorkshire Wildlife Trust can enjoy up to 20% discount on these events! Please book online using your membership number.

Children under 18 should always be accompanied by an adult at our events unless otherwise stated.

Our events mostly take place outside so brace yourself for the Yorkshire weather!

What to bring/wear

Events happen in all weathers so please check the forecast before visiting and dress accordingly. Sturdy footwear is always recommended. Further information on what to bring/wear can be found on your booking email.



Booking is essential for all paid-for events. You can do this online at ywt.org.uk/our-events or call us on 01904 659570.

Toilets and catering

Where events are taking place away from our visitor centres, toilets or catering are not usually available. Please check our website for nature reserve information before booking:
ywt.org.uk/nature-reserves

And there's more...

We're busy planning exciting events all the time. Head to our website for the latest listings and to book:

ywt.org.uk/our-events

All event details are correct at the time of publication and are subject to change.

Yorkshire's wild places

With over 100 nature reserves in our care, you're never far from a great wild experience, though most of our events happen in the following locations:

Opening times and charges vary between our reserves. Please visit our website for more details:
ywt.org.uk/nature-reserves

Living Seas Centre
South Landing, Flamborough
The meeting hub for our marine-inspired events and the perfect starting point for a relaxed, scenic walk around South Landing local nature reserve.
Postcode: YO15 1AE



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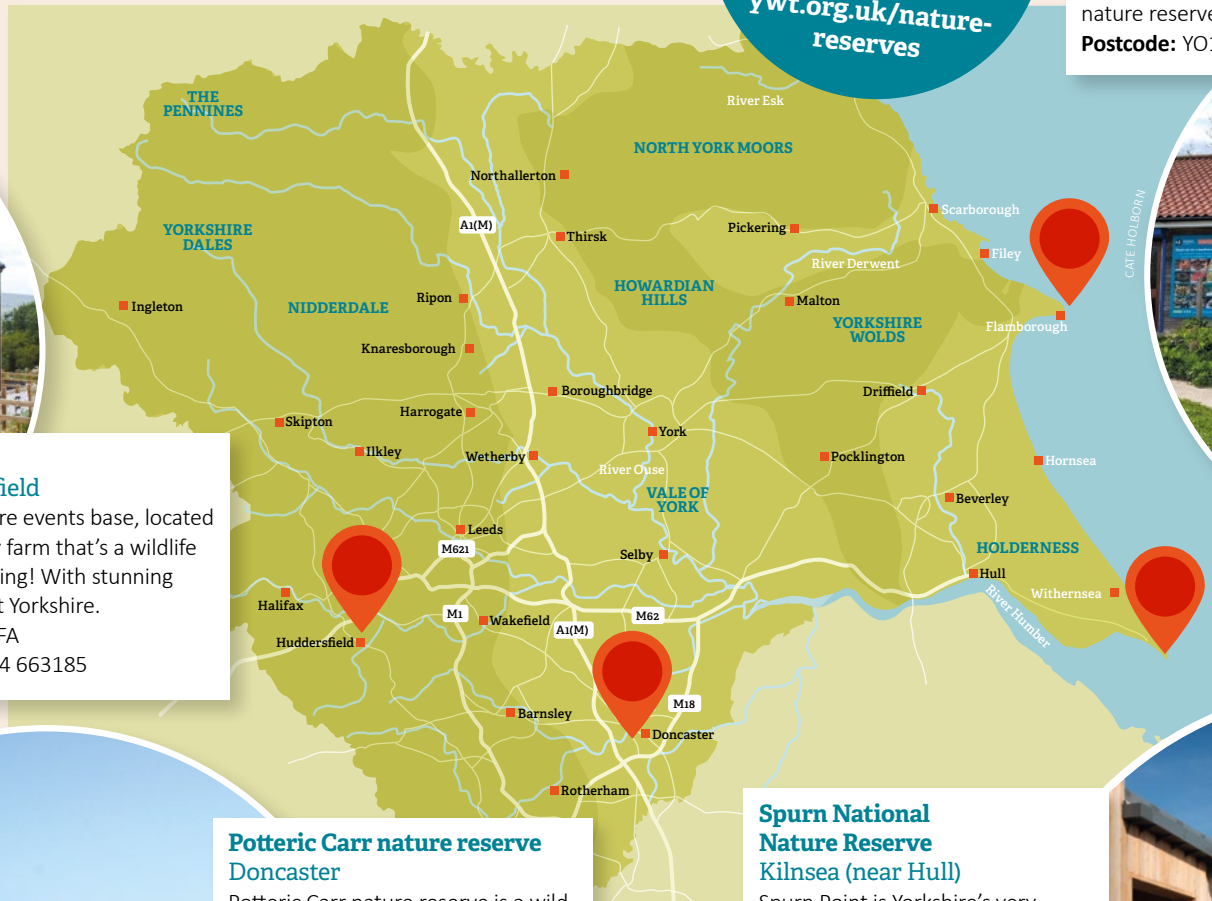


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Stirley Near Huddersfield

Our West Yorkshire events base, located on a former dairy farm that's a wildlife haven in the making! With stunning views across west Yorkshire.

Postcode: HD4 6FA
Telephone: 01484 663185



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bit.ly/my-wild-visit

Potteric Carr nature reserve Doncaster

Potteric Carr nature reserve is a wild oasis just waiting to be explored. Discover a true mosaic of habitats from reedbeds swaying gently under big open skies to winding woodland trails and networks of ponds teeming with life. After such an adventure, homemade cakes and wholesome lunches await in our café!

Postcode: DN4 8DB
Telephone: 01302 325736

Spurn National Nature Reserve Kilnsea (near Hull)

Spurn Point is Yorkshire's very own Land's End – an iconic and constantly shifting peninsula which curves between the North Sea and the Humber Estuary. From birdwatching to bracing walks and amazing views from our Discovery Centre café, there are so many ways to enjoy this special place.

Postcode: HU12 0UH
Telephone: 01964 650144



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Wild Ingleborough

Where a flourishing, richer and more resilient home for wildlife is just within reach



We're in a race against time to restore and reconnect fragmented wild habitats around our iconic mountain before some very special species – found only in this corner of Yorkshire – are lost forever.

Discover more about our bold plans to create a wildlife-rich network across the area, marvel at the exciting results we've achieved so far, and find out how you can help to protect and connect this awe-inspiring landscape for the future at ywt.org.uk/Wild-Ingleborough

Find out more and donate online



Grassland Fungi for Beginners

Selside Outdoor Centre

Sunday 20th October; 10.30am to 1.30pm

Fungi aren't only found in the woods – discover Ingleborough's magical and mysterious grassland fungi, including the wonderful waxcaps which are in abundance on its pastures. This is an introductory level walk ideal for complete fungi beginners, and is suitable for children as long as they are able to walk up to 3km. Please note this is a walk on uneven ground, including some limestone pavement, and there are no facilities on site. Toilets are available in Horton-in-Ribblesdale. **PRICE:** Adult £15, Child £10

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Embrace your wilder side and explore more this autumn

Don't hibernate just yet! Autumn is a magical season of change, and the best time to get out and discover what our stunning nature reserves have to offer. Don your woollies and welly boots to squelch through the mud and kick up the fallen autumn leaves, marvel at migrating birds, find fantastic fungi and smell the distinct odour of petrichor (that's the smell of the earth after rain!) in the air – it's a sensational season for the senses!

Scan the QR code to find our full events listings!



Introduction to Yorkshire's Wonder Walls

Stirley nature reserve

Saturday 12th October; 10am to 4pm

Yorkshire's dry stone walls are an important and iconic part of our heritage. They also provide vital homes for wildlife and form robust boundaries for our livestock. Sadly, many of our dry stone walls are falling into disrepair as the traditional skills needed to maintain them are being lost. Join us on this event to learn more about this ancient craft and have a go at adding 'another stone in the wall' to restore a broken-down section.

PRICE: £35



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Fungi Fest

Potteric Carr nature reserve

Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th October; 9am to 5pm

Fun-guys and gals of all ages are invited to celebrate the magical world of mushrooms at our inaugural Fungi Fest! Take a guided walk to explore Potteric Carr's incredibly variety of fungi, get creative and make your own needle felt toadstool, try your hand at microscopy, or make an unusual fungi beauty mask. There are cap-tivating activities for all ages including storytelling and mushroom crafts for the younger generation. There won't be mush-room in your day after a jam packed day of fun-gal activities at Fungi Fest!

PRICE: General admission to Potteric Carr nature reserve applies (for non-members). Prices vary for individual workshops. Visit the festival page on our website for more information: ywt.org.uk/fungi-festival



Paint the Mystical Mushrooms

Potteric Carr nature reserve

Friday 11th October; 6pm to 9pm

Kick off Fungi Fest by painting your own mushroom masterpiece instructed by the brilliant Pub Painting team. All materials are included plus light refreshments.

Bookings are taken through Pub Painting www.pubpainting.co.uk/events

PRICE: £35



Fantastic Fungi Walk

Carlton Marsh nature reserve, Barnsley

Friday 4th October; 10am to 12 noon

This former railway junction has been shaped by mining subsidence and then moulded by mushrooms! Make sure to take in the views of Carlton Marsh wetland from the old railway track and watch out for darting kingfishers and booming bitterns whilst you search the leaf litter for fabulous fungi.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10

Find out more and book online on our Fungi Fest web page:



Fabulous Fungi Walk

Staveley nature reserve

Sunday 6th October; 1.30pm to 3.30pm

With a whole mosaic of habitats to explore, celebrate the beauty of fungi with us as we discover the many species that grow on this gorgeous wetland nature reserve – keep a weather eye out for the resident barn owl whilst you wander!

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Fabulous Fungi Walk

Moorlands nature reserve

Sunday 6th October; 10am to 12pm

Take a stroll with us while we explore the weird and wonderful fungi that grow here at this beautiful Edwardian woodland garden reserve – you could even climb the treehouse for a different view!

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Fabulous Fungi Walk

Adel Dam nature reserve, Leeds

Tuesday 8th October; 10.30am to 12.30pm

From famous kingfishers to a treasure trove of interesting fungi, Adel Dam has plenty to offer the intrepid explorer – no matter your level of ability and experience.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Fabulous Fungi Walk

Raw Nook nature reserve, Bradford

Saturday 19th October; 10.30am to 2.30pm

Join this popular and well-established fungi walk through Bradford Council's first official local nature reserve, and see what gems you can find!

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Fabulous Fungi Walk

North Cliffe Woods nature reserve, Market Weighton

Saturday 10th November; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Filled with the heady scent of bluebells in spring, North Cliffe Woods offers a different sort of gem in autumn – an amazing array of interesting and unusual fungi deep into its varied woodland.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



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Velvet shank

CAROL HALL

Enchanting half term events

Feel the magic of nature at our ghoulishly good family events. Will there be tricks or treats at our Nature Discovery Centres this autumn? Take our spooky species themed trail around Potteric Carr or join in our flaming good family events to find out!



Spooky Species Trail Potteric Carr nature reserve

Can you discover each of the creepiest creatures that are hidden around the reserve, find out their secret letter and uncover the spooky spell of the woodlands? Once you have cracked the mystery word, come back along to the Visitor Centre to collect your terrifying treat as a reward!

PRICE: Free (admission fees apply for adult non-members, kids go free)



Spooky Spurn Bat Walk Spurn National Nature Reserve Friday 18th October and Saturday 26th October; 6pm to 8pm

Join us on a search for Spurn's most mysterious nocturnal residents. Borrow our bat detectors and see who you can identify whizzing overhead – whilst enjoying the magical evening sights and sounds of Spurn.

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £7



Pumpkin Magic Trail Stirley nature reserve 26th October to 31st October; 10am to 2pm

This year our pumpkin magic trail is back – bigger and spookier than ever before! Explore our winding potions trail, pick your own pumpkin, and carve it a spooky face with all tools supplied. We'll be hosting a Quiet Hour between 2pm and 3pm.

PRICE: Child £8, Adult £3, £5 for extra pumpkin



The Crafty Cauldron Potteric Carr nature reserve Tuesday 29th October and Wednesday 30th October; 1pm to 3pm

Join us for a magically spooky afternoon crafting your own unique wand! Learn how to whittle with green wood, decorate your wand, and then begin casting your spells. There are plenty more creepy crafty creations to make and take home with you, followed by a crackling campfire where you can toast some marshmallows to make your own s'mores, the perfect ooey goey snack!

PRICE: Child £12, Adult £8



Peculiar Palaeontology Spurn National Nature Reserve Thursday 31st October; 11am & 3pm

Join our peculiar palaeontologist and her team on Spurn's beaches in search of the Devil's toenail! You never know what else you might find...

PRICE: Adult £5, Child £3

Whittle whilst you work



Beginners Guide to Whittling – Spoons Stirley nature reserve

Saturday 16th November; 10.30am to 1.30pm

Ripon City Wetlands nature reserve

Saturday 23rd November; 10.30am to 1.30pm

Whittling has long been the key to making tools for art and survival. In this workshop you'll learn how to make your very own wooden spoon, while enjoying cosy chats around a campfire.

PRICE: Adult £35



Beginners Guide to Whittling – Skulk of Foxes

Ripon City Wetlands nature reserve
Saturday 8th February; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Stirley nature reserve

Saturday 15th February; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Learn to whittle! Carving wood into an object by cutting small slices is known as whittling, a skill practiced for many years.

In this workshop you'll learn the art of making animal shapes with delicate knife movements, all while enjoying cosy chats around a campfire.

PRICE: Adult £35



Christmas is coming to Potteric Carr

Christmas can be crackers! Come and escape into nature at Potteric Carr. It's a magical time of year on the reserve, and we'll be adding to the festive joy with carol singers, freshly baked mince pies, beautiful decorations and a wonderful winter wildlife trail to keep the whole family spellbound.

Deck the halls and save the date

Our annual late night festive shopping event will take place on **Thursday 21st November** (until 8pm).

Visit our website for further details:

ywt.org.uk/our-events



Walks and talks



Wetland Discovery Tour Potteric Carr nature reserve

Saturday 5th October; 10am to 12.30pm

Our wetland nature reserves are some of our most complex to manage; where natural processes would once have controlled water levels, we must now do this manually whilst considering lots of other factors including the weather and breeding seasons. Learn all about how we manage Potteric Carr's vast wetlands – both now and for the future.

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



North Cave Wetlands Bat Walk North Cave Wetlands nature reserve

**Friday 4th October; 6.30pm to 8.30pm,
Saturday 19th October and Friday 25th
October; 6pm to 8pm**

It's time to go batty! Join us for a guided walk under enchanting pink and orange autumn skies in search of some of our most fascinating nocturnal residents – from tiny whizzing pipistrelles to some of our more unusual species.

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



Wetlands and Birds Ripon City Wetlands, and then Staveley nature reserve

**Wednesday 10th October, and then
Wednesday 12th February; 10am to 12pm**

From ospreys and awe-inspiring starling murmurations to wildfowl, waders and warblers, Ripon City Wetlands is bursting with exciting bird life – and nearby Staveley nature reserve with its famous resident barn owl and wintering waders isn't half bad either! Join this guided walk to discover how we manage this young wetland reserve for the birds that rely on it.

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



Dinosaur Footprints Walk South Bay, Scarborough

Various dates and times
It's time for a dinosaur disco! Discover the geological history of Scarborough's South Bay and join us as we explore the dinosaur footprint dancefloor.

PRICE: Adult £5, Child £3



Wild Wetland Walk Spurn National Nature Reserve

Various dates every month; 11am to 2pm

Enjoy an expert-led walking tour across the wetland wildlife paradise of Kilnsea Wetlands and the north end of Spurn and observe the exciting wildlife that finds its way along the East Coast! Warm up afterwards with a free drink provided at the Spurn Discovery Centre.

PRICE: Adult £20, Child £15



Scrub and Tree Management for Bog Protection

Askham Bog nature reserve

**Friday 1st November; 10am to 12pm and
1pm to 3pm**

As well as its pools and meadows, Askham Bog has patches of scrub and woodland absolutely vital for its brimming bird life. Come along and find out how we manage Yorkshire Wildlife Trust's oldest reserve to benefit the bog!

PRICE: Adult £10



Potteric in Pictures: A Voluntary Ranger's Year

Potteric Carr nature reserve

Wednesday 6th November; 6pm to 8pm

Join Paul Paddock, a long-time volunteer ranger at Potteric Carr, as he presents a year in pictures at Potteric. He'll be talking about his wildlife encounters across the changing seasons and sharing some amusing anecdotes from across the years. Light refreshments will be provided.

PRICE: £12

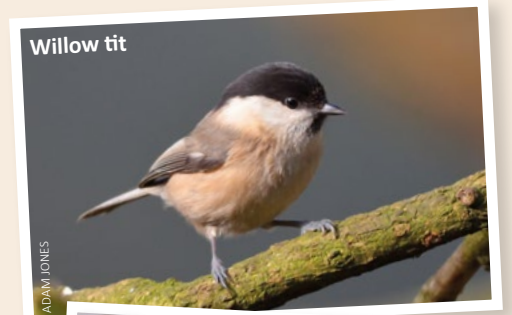


Plight of the Willow Tits Potteric Carr nature reserve

Wednesday 19th February; 6pm to 7.30pm

Join Sophie Pinder, our reserves officer, as she reveals the trials and tribulations to willow tit species recovery. Light refreshments will be provided.

PRICE: Adult £12



Willow tit



Dunlin

Give wildlife a (stately) home

Experience wildlife on a grand scale with our events around the grounds of the beautiful stately home, Castle Howard.



Late Summer Bat Walk

Friday 20th September; 6.45pm to 8.45pm

Head out with us after-hours as dusk falls upon Castle Howard, to say hello to the stately bats that call this estate home. We'll be using bat detectors to identify species through echolocation frequencies and, with our expert, you'll discover more about the lively politics going on at Downton Bat-by!

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Bespoke Birding Tour

Monday 16th September and Monday 14th October; 10am to 3pm

An exclusive birding experience across the Castle Howard estate. Join our birding expert Harry on a unique tour of the estate to explore and discover the diverse birds and wildlife within the gardens, grounds and wider estate. This is the perfect introduction to birding – especially as we enter migration season. No expert knowledge required! Your ticket includes welcome drinks, a fabulous lunch, free use of binoculars and a venture aboard the Castle Howard Estate safari trailer.

PRICE: £75



Please book through Castle Howard website:
www.castlehoward.co.uk/whats-on



Fungi Foray

Thursday 3rd October; 10.30am to 12.30pm & 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Explore the weird and wonderful biology of fungi on this fascinating foray through Ray Wood with a wildlife expert from Yorkshire Wildlife Trust. On this guided walk, you'll learn more about why fungi of all shapes, sizes and colours grow here as well as how to tell your shaggy inkcaps from your jelly-ears! Suitable for adults and children of all ages.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Winter Wildlife Walk

Tuesday 7th January; 10.30am to 12.30pm & 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Beat the January blues and don your woollies as we take a stroll through the frosty landscape of Castle Howard, taking in the breathtaking views and the signs of wildlife surviving through the winter.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Wild Willow Bird Feeders

Sunday 16th February; 10.30am to 2.30pm

Drop in and make some hand made bird feeders from green willow and seed mix to help prepare the birds for breeding season. Carefully weave willow to make a cone, then fill with a sticky mixture of fat and bird seed to hang in your garden.

PRICE: Adult £8, Child £5



CASTLE HOWARD

Dive into a coastal adventure...



Extreme Rockpool Safari

Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

Saturday 19th October; 11.30am to 1pm

The tides are extremely low – so get ready to rock(pool)! We'll take you on an exploration of the shore as we search for marine life which is only uncovered on a very low tide. Discover kelp forests, look out for lobsters and seek out sea slugs on this rockpool safari special!

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



Seagrass Seed Bag Making

Spurn National Nature Reserve

Monday 28th October; 11am to 3pm

Get hands on and help us create little hessian bags for our seagrass seeds. These bags will then be planted by our Wilder Humber team into the Humber Estuary to help regrow the shrinking seagrass meadows!

PRICE: Free



Rockpool Safari

Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

1st November onwards. Times may vary due to tides.

Join our team and go in search of some fascinating local marine life in the rockpools at South Landing. We'll take you on a guided tour of the rocky shore as we find clicking crabs, search for anemones and seek out shannies.

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



Night-time Rockpool Safari

Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

Friday 15th November; 8.30pm to 10pm

It's time for a night out with a difference! A lot of our rockpool-dwellers are nocturnal, so head out with us under the cover of darkness to see what goes on in our rockpools at night!

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



Shark Egg Hunt

Spurn National Nature Reserve

Saturday 2nd November & Monday 17th February; 11am to 12.30pm

Did you know there are 3 species of shark that lay eggs around the UK coast? Join our eagle-eyed guides and comb Spurn's beach for these elusive mermaid's purses and skate eggs hidden amongst the strandline. Other dates will be added. Check our website for more information.

PRICE: Adult £3, Child £5



Fossil Fun

Spurn National Nature Reserve

Sunday 17th November, Friday 3rd January & Thursday 20th February; 11am to 12.30pm

Ammonites, devil's toe-nails, belemnites... come and comb Spurn's beaches on the hunt for prehistoric treasures. More dates will be added so check our website for details.

PRICE: Adult £3, Child £5



Waves of Waste Beach Cleans

Dates and locations vary, please visit our website for more information.

Help our Waves of Waste co-ordinators as we keep Yorkshire's coast healthy and tidy for our marine wildlife. Beach cleans take place at Spurn, Scarborough, Fraisthorpe, Filey, Bridlington and Flamborough.

PRICE: Free

Get cracking with craftivism



Seaweed Pressing and Soap Making Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

Multiple dates and times from October
Take a stroll along the shore with us to explore the wonderful world of seaweed – in all of its salty, spirally glory. Using our findings we'll be creating some picture-perfect seaweed pressings, as well as a set of beautiful soaps.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Seaweed Soap, Bath Bomb and Bath Salt Making Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

Saturday 7th December; 12pm to 2pm
Use locally-collected seaweeds and dried flowers and fruit to create pampering products – distil a little bit of Yorkshire's wild coast into your pamper time, keep them for yourself or give them as gifts!

PRICE: £15



Nature-Inspired Papercraft Potteric Carr nature reserve

Saturday 22nd March; 10am to 11.30am & 1pm to 3.30pm

Get crafty with Shobna Patel, a fantastic artist who specialises in bookbinding and 3D paper crafts. Shobna will be running a family workshop in the morning, and an adult workshop in the afternoon. This is the perfect event to mark the arrival of spring – or to celebrate Mother's Day.

PRICE: Prices start from £10, see website for more details



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SHOBNA PATEL

Wild winter wonders

Frost-covered surfaces sparkle in the winter sun. Clear, glimmering wetland pools reflect icy blue skies, our woodlands become sculptural fingers stretching for the sky, and clear dark nights burst with twinkling stars to welcome in the new year. Enjoy these winter treats and connect with nature through some of these fantastically seasonal and joyful events.



Christmas Seaglass Crafts and Jewellery Making Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

Tuesday 3rd December; 6pm to 8pm & Wednesday 18th December; 6pm to 8pm

Fancy some completely unique and stunningly beautiful recycled gifts to give your loved ones this year? Come along and create colourful tree ornaments and jewellery from seaglass found on Yorkshire's coast.

PRICE: £15



Music and Magic in the Barn Stirley nature reserve

Friday 13th December; 7pm to 9.30pm

Join us for a magical evening of live music! Absorb the festive atmosphere in Stirley's rustic barn with haybales and twinkly lights, be merry with friends and family, and enjoy the festive feeling with some delicious mulled wine and hot chocolate (not included in ticket price).

PRICE: £20 per person



Willow Wreath Making Potteric Carr nature reserve

Sunday 24th November; 10am to 12pm & 1.30pm to 3.30pm

Ripon City Wetlands nature reserve Saturday 7th December; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Stirley nature reserve Saturday 14th December; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Rockin' around that Christmas wreath... Get that festive feeling and make your own natural willow wreath, decorated with a whole range of seasonal supplies. Harvest your own willow fresh from the reserve and enjoy learning a traditional craft.

PRICE: £35 per person

We're planning new events all the time!

There's so much wildlife to discover in Yorkshire, and you'll find plenty more wild adventures on our webpage: ywt.org.uk/our-events



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A wilder new year...



New Year's Day Beach Clean Spurn National Nature Reserve

Wednesday 1st January; 11am to 1pm
Have you resolved to do more for Yorkshire's amazing wildlife this year, or do you fancy something to wake you up bright eyed and bushy tailed on the first day of the new year? Why not help our coastal wildlife get off to a fresh start by joining our friendly team at Spurn for a big beach clean!

PRICE: Free



New Year's Day Big Breakfast! Potteric Carr nature reserve

Wednesday 1st January; 9.30am to 2pm
There's nothing like hearty start to see in the new year in style – and Bev's traditional big brekkie is the best there is! Enjoy a lovely long walk around the reserve afterwards to blow away those festive cobwebs, and make space for lunch...



Wonderful Winter Wildfowl Potteric Carr nature reserve

Saturday 4th January; 10am to 12pm
Take a winter walk with Potteric Carr's bird expert and reserve officer Mark to see the wonderful wintering wildfowl on our wetlands. Potteric Carr is famous for its wetland wildlife over winter; from the foghorn sound of our rare booming bitterns to marsh harriers wheeling overhead, as well as waders, warblers, and much more to enjoy.

PRICE: Adult £10, Child £6



World Wetlands Day Walk Staveley nature reserve

Sunday 2nd February; 10.30am to 12 noon
Our wetlands are wondrous places – so precious for our wildlife and spellbinding for our senses at any time of year. 40% of the world's species rely on wetlands in some way, and Staveley is certainly bursting with wild wonder, from winter waders like goldeneye and wigeons to mini mammals like water shrew and harvest mice.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



How Do You Restore a Peatland? Potteric Carr nature reserve

Sunday 2nd February; 10am to 12 noon
Come and join us on a walk around Potteric Carr with a difference and learn about the process behind peatland restoration – from surveys all the way to peat bog glory! This will be an interactive opportunity to do peat probing and soil coring to analyse peat on site, and learn how this informs restoration plans.

PRICE: Free (admission fees apply for adult non-members)



#TeamWilder – for nature, for communities, for Yorkshire!
Yorkshire's wildlife needs our collective help! #TeamWilder is a rapidly growing movement of people who care about our environment and want to help wildlife thrive not only in nature reserves, but in Yorkshire's towns and cities too.

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today! Find out
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[ywt.org.uk/
team-wilder](http://ywt.org.uk/team-wilder)



RACHEL HARDY

Molescroft Wildlife Network volunteers spreading green hay



Welcome to English plant up a bench planter

ANDY STEELE

TeamWilder events

Connect with like-minded people and discover how communities across Yorkshire have – and can! – come together to take positive action for nature locally.

#TeamWilder Talks – Gardening for Wildlife

Potteric Carr nature reserve
Wednesday 16th October; 6pm to 7.30pm
The first in a series of talks throughout autumn and winter to explore different aspects of taking action for wildlife in detail. Discover how to turn your garden into a wildlife haven, and learn top tips for increasing biodiversity in your outdoor space and the best things to do at this time of year.
PRICE: £5 per person. Booking essential. Light refreshments will be provided.

#TeamWilder Action for Nature Day Tang Hall Community Centre, York, YO31 0UG

Sunday 17th November; 12pm to 4pm
Have you ever wished you could make your area better for wildlife? Be inspired by information stalls, presentations and practical workshops to develop your ideas, grow your knowledge and build your skills to take the action nature needs.
PRICE: Free event, no booking needed. Small donation for some activities. Light refreshments will be provided.



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Wild Eye: Sea Watching on Marine Drive

Marine Drive, Scarborough

Sunday 27th October & Sunday 24th November; 10am to 11am & 11.15am to 12.15pm

Learn about the rich cetacean life of our coastline with expert Stuart Baines. From the footpath on Marine Drive we will be searching for harbour porpoise and bottlenose dolphins!

PRICE: Free



Wild Eye: Big Seaweed Search

South Bay, Scarborough

Sunday 17th November; 10am to 11.30am

A beginner's introduction to seaweed and the Big Seaweed Search Survey! In this session we will learn about our most common seaweeds by exploring the rockpools of South Bay Beach.

PRICE: Free

Wild Eye is an exciting art and nature programme celebrating Scarborough's incredible wildlife and coastal environment. Local communities, leading artists, businesses, and scientists are working together to create a series of events, artworks, and experiences that connect people with the natural world and support positive action for nature.
www.wildeye.org.uk



The Wonders of Yorkshire's Seas

Queen Street Methodist Church, Scarborough

Saturday 1st Feb 2025; 2pm

Alice Sharp, Director of Invisible Dust, and Hull University marine biologist Magnus Johnson discuss the extraordinary stories, artworks and science that connects us to our underwater world.

PRICE: Free



Wild Eye: Wild Winter Walk

Marine Drive, Scarborough

Gallows Close Centre, Scarborough

Wednesday 19th February; 1pm to 2pm

Discover how much wildlife can be found in the winter along this guided walk along the Cinder Track!

PRICE: Free

For up-to-date information about Wild Eye events visit our events page:



Wild Eye is delivered by Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and Invisible Dust in partnership with North Yorkshire Council.

Outdoor learning



Forest Tots

Potteric Carr nature reserve

First Friday of each month; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Learn, explore, and play in the woods with other adventurous tots. Sit around the campfire and cook tasty treats after a morning of fun times in the woods.

PRICE: Adult £6, Child £6



Home Education Connection

Potteric Carr, Spurn and Living Seas Centre nature reserves. Coming soon to Stirley.

Various dates and times

Regular learning opportunities for home educated families to learn about wildlife and the environment. Check out our web listing for session themes.

PRICE: Child £9, additional child £6, adults free



School and group visits

We offer curriculum-linked school sessions and facilitate inspiring group visits for all ages and abilities! Find out more at ywt.org.uk/schools-and-groups



Challenge yourself to go wild for wildlife!

Dare you take part in our new series of extreme events?!

From abseils to Wildlife Warrior courses and everything in-between, we're challenging you to go truly wild and play a role in supporting Yorkshire's wildlife at the same time.

We'll be releasing more details soon! Places are strictly limited. Find out more by visiting: ywt.org.uk/our-events

Making space for nature

Astronomically-great events in partnership with Huddersfield Astronomical Society and Scarborough and Ryedale Astronomical Society



A Tour of the Night Sky Living Seas Centre, Flamborough

Various dates; 6.30pm to 8.30pm
Join Yorkshire Wildlife Trust and Scarborough and Ryedale Astronomical Society for an exciting evening learning about the night sky. Use a variety of specialist equipment to uncover planets, stars and more!
PRICE: £5 per person



Garden of Stars Stirley nature reserve

Evenings of Monday 14th October;
Monday 11th November; Wednesday 11th December; Monday 13th January;
Wednesday 5th February; Friday 7th March

Explore the night sky with Huddersfield Astronomical Society. There will be a different focus for the upcoming dates depending on the positions of the planets at that time. Size up Jupiter and Mars, and ogle at the moon through the telescopes provided.
PRICE: Adult £18, Child £14



KLEMEN VRANKAR/UNSPASH

Frosty February fun



Introduction to Hedge Laying Stirley nature reserve

Saturday 8th February; 10am to 4.30pm
A fantastic opportunity to find out more about the historic craft of hedge laying. Try your hand at laying with an introduction to the history of the craft, the tools needed and the technique that is used.

PRICE: £35



Nature-Up Potteric Carr nature reserve

Tuesday 18th February; 1pm to 2.30pm
A fun and engaging session for 14–17 year olds who would like to learn more about wildlife and how to take action for it. This will be a practical session to learn more about wildlife and take action to give it a more secure future. Permission from guardians is needed to attend.
PRICE: Free (admission fees apply for adult non-members)



LIEN VAN WIJN/UNSPASH



National Nest Box Week: Build a Bird Box Stirley nature reserve

Wednesday 19th February; 10am to 12pm

Make a bird box with your family, and give your garden wildlife a safe home for spring. You can put it up in your garden or green space in time for nesting season and watch the birds thrive!

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



National Nest Box Week: Bird Brained Potteric Carr nature reserve

Thursday 20th February; 10.30am to 12.30pm

Join us this February half term to celebrate National Nest Box Week and build your very own nest box to take home and encourage more feathered friends into your garden during nesting season! Come and learn about the many different types of nest boxes, how they support different species and why providing your own nest box can really make a difference to birds in your garden. All pre-cut materials and tools will be provided, and we will guide you through assembling your own nest box! All children must be accompanied by an adult.

PRICE: Adult £15, Child £10



Pied flycatcher at a nest box

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Spurn safari

Visit the iconic Spurn National Nature Reserve on a unique wildlife safari aboard our all-terrain vehicle. You will see and learn about Spurn's fantastic wildlife and rich history, and get the chance to explore the peninsula, including a trip to the Spurn Lighthouse. A must for all families!

Book today at ywt.org.uk/events



Standard 3-hour tour:
£25 per adult
£12.50 per child

Extended 4-hour tour:
£30 per adult
£15 per child



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Calling all shutterbugs...



Wildlife Photography for Beginners (full day)
Spurn National Nature Reserve
Various dates; 9am to 4pm

Under our resident photographer Darren Parkinson's expertise and instruction, join us for a wildlife photography workshop to remember! Please bring your own camera and equipment. Refreshments and lunch are included.

PRICE: £75 per person



Wildlife Photography for Beginners (half day)
Staveley nature reserve

Saturdays 28th September; 7.30am to 11.30am, 11th January and 12th April; 8.30am to 12.30pm

Join local wildlife photographer Sean Jones who will walk you through the basics of wildlife photography through the seasons. Your own camera and equipment will be required for this workshop.

PRICE: £40 per person



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An exclusive birding experience across Kilnsea Wetlands and Spurn peninsula with an expert guide. The perfect introduction to birding – especially during the migration season.

£75 per person
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For more information and to book your place visit: ywt.org.uk/events

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Volunteer with us

Have our events piqued your interest?
Do you have a passion for engaging people with nature?

Our events and education programmes need incredible volunteers to help run safe and engaging sessions. Could you be one of them?

From pond dipping in the wild wetlands of North Cave to leading school groups through the lush meadows of Stirley, our events and education volunteers help us to inspire visitors of all ages about wildlife.

No matter what skills or experience you bring, we've got a role for you!



If you would like to get involved in volunteering, please visit ywt.org.uk/get-involved/volunteer for more information





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Help create a **wilder** **Yorkshire!** Join us today.

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