

## Volunteer Role Summary

### Purbeck Nature Champion

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Purbeck's nature needs champions to showcase its amazing diversity, stories and scarcity to a wide range of audiences.

Working with teams across the National Trust in Purbeck you will be creating and delivering a wide range of activities that suit your skills, interests and the needs of our visitors and communities. You could be delivering walks on the heaths or in the dunes, leading family activities based around our 50 Things, visiting schools & community groups, watching puffins, looking for spring woodland flowers or many, many other Purbeck experiences.

We need people who passionately want to connect other people with nature and for that you need to love both nature and people. We'll help you develop your skills, support you with training and enable you to take a lead and champion nature – ensuring that more people value and want to save it in the future.

#### **By getting involved, you could**

- Inspire people, growing awareness & support for nature
- Work behind the scenes creating & planning, or with the public, delivering activities
- Take a lead, building capacity within our Purbeck team
- Meet a wide variety of people, from tourists to locals
- Join an enthusiastic and varied team and make some new friends

#### **What's involved? Your role could include any of the following:**

- Creating educational materials and activities
- Planning and delivering amazing nature experiences and events across Purbeck
- Producing inspiring written and visual media content
- Visiting schools and local community groups to raise awareness of ongoing conservation projects and to deliver engaging activities
- Making visitors feel welcome, answering any questions and encouraging them to get involved
- Delivering some of our 50 Things activities in appropriate locations  
Evaluating what we are delivering to ensure it is making a difference
- You are important in making sure things run as smoothly and safely as possible – this includes getting to know health and safety procedures

#### **This role will suit you if you are ...**

- Passionate about nature
- Equally as passionate about people
- A good communicator
- Creative & imaginative
- Are able to take the lead
- Are committed to making a difference

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## Extra Information

- We'll help you get to know Purbeck, how you can help and how you will work with the rest of the team – with induction and training
- We provide equipment to help you do this role well and safely
- We'll also cover agreed costs of your travel between home and Purbeck

## How to apply

Please email [purbecknaturechampion@nationaltrust.org.uk](mailto:purbecknaturechampion@nationaltrust.org.uk) to apply, stating your interests, skills and experience. We will organise an interview with you and ask for two references if you are successful. Please apply by the 31<sup>st</sup> of March 2022.

## About the National Trust

As Europe's largest conservation charity, we help everyone across England, Wales and Northern Ireland enjoy all sorts of very special places for ever, for everyone. Become part of our fascinating story – volunteer.

The National Trust is a registered charity and is completely independent of Government. We rely for income on membership fees, donations and legacies, and money raised from our commercial operations. We are supported by 5 million members and over 60,000 volunteers without whom we simply could not manage. We protect and open to the public over 300 historic houses and gardens and 49 industrial monuments and mills. But it doesn't stop there. We also look after forests, woods, fens, beaches, farmland, downs, moorland, islands, archaeological remains, castles, nature reserves, villages – for places, for ever, for everyone.

## About Purbeck

The property ranges from the ruins of Corfe Castle in the west to Shell Bay at the end of the Studland peninsula to the east. On the southern boundary of the property lies the Purbeck coast with its dramatic sea cliffs and age old stone quarries around Acton and Langton Matravers. On the northern boundary lie some of the best tracts of lowland heath in Britain supporting every species of British reptile.

While in Dorset, anyone with an interest in nature and prehistory will be drawn to the Purbeck Estate which boasts one of Britain's best beaches at Studland, two National Nature Reserves and is home to the richest ten square miles of wild flowers in the country. From the dinosaur-era Purbeck limestones to the recent sand dunes of Studland, nowhere else packs such a variety of habitats into such a small area.

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