



The team at Watatunga Wildlife Reserve are looking for volunteers who can commit to helping us out with our guided tours from March until November.

About us: Watatunga is a wildlife reserve in Watlington, west Norfolk which opened to the public in August 2020. Situated amongst 170 acres of woodland, grassland, and lakes, Watatunga provides a unique environment for over twenty types of ungulate and rare bird species to roam at their will. Guest access to the reserve is via guided buggy and trailer tours only. We are a small team and volunteers will be closely involved in the day to day running of the business.

About you: We are looking for someone with a 'can-do' attitude who is reliable, shows initiative and who is happy to lend a hand at any task. You may be meeting and greeting guests so you will need excellent people skills. We will provide a Watatunga gilet and cap while you're working on site, and you need to come dressed in professional but practical clothing for an outdoor role.

About the role: Ideally you can give us a day or two a week throughout the March - November season but if you are studying and can't commit to non-holiday work then please do get in touch as we're keen to make this opportunity as broadly accessible as possible. If you'd like to be involved in more of the animal care aspects within the reserve, our tour volunteers come in at winter and often help us with jobs within the reserve. **For the 2025 season we are specifically looking for Tuesday, Wednesday, Saturday & Sunday volunteers but are interested in any applications & will try to accommodate.**

Please state your availability clearly in your application. You will be assisting with pre- and post-tour logistics and will be able to join at least two tours each day. On the odd occasion you may be pinched by the animal care staff to assist with animal procedures too. We are looking for someone who is happy to:

- Drive an electric buggy in the reserve
- Carry out basic vehicle checks and change a tyre
- Wash down & disinfect buggies ready for each tour
- Keep the reception building, picnic site and car-park tidy
- Assist in the coffee/gift shop.
- Work under the supervision of the reserve manager
- Assist animal rounds in animal handling when necessary
- Clean and disinfect toilet block after each tour
- Join regular 1.5 hr tours of the reserve and offer assistance where needed
- A typical day would last around 6 hours, but you can stay for longer if you would like to or let us know if you need to leave earlier.
- We offer both morning and afternoon/evening volunteering opportunities during the week. These consist of AM (09:00-15:00) & PM shifts that vary depending on tour hours (12:00-18:00 or 15:00-21:00).



- At weekends & Fridays a typical volunteering day lasts from 09:00-17:30.

This role guarantees time with animals in the reserve on at least one guided tour a week. Additional animal work such as feeding orphaned animals MAY be possible at times throughout the summer but is not guaranteed and is secondary to the core tasks outlined above. This role would be suited to someone who enjoys wildlife photography and would like regular access to buggy tours over the summer.

How to apply: Please send a brief CV and cover letter outlining any relevant experience, why you are interested in the role and your availability to office@watatunga.co.uk Applications will close on the 31st of January 2025.