

# There are many ways to Help the Trust



The Trust could not continue its work without the many and varied contributions in time, money and talents from our supporters. Here are some of the main ways in which you can help us.

## Visit our properties

0870 458 4000

The National Trust protects over 200 houses and gardens, 49 industrial monuments and mills, over 250,000 hectares of countryside and 603 miles of coastline. Visit any one of them and you confirm the value of the Trust's work, as well as providing income. The Trust's properties are a remarkable resource, unique even in the rich civilisation of western Europe. Every one has a story to tell. Stories that tell us who we were and who we are. By preserving, supporting and visiting them you can help to keep our greatest stories alive.

## Buy our products

01373 828602

A wide range of merchandise is sold at National Trust shops, including a growing number of locally sourced items to increase individuality and support local enterprises. Restaurants and tea-rooms also source as much produce as possible from the local area, and menus include regional dishes. In addition to shops at National Trust properties, we also have high street shops in major towns and cities. If you're unable to visit a shop in person, visit our new online gift shop at: [www.nationaltrust.org.uk/giftshop](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/giftshop)

The profits of The National Trust (Enterprises) Ltd make a major contribution to the Trust's work, as does participation in Norwich Union NT insurance schemes, use of our HSBC Visa Card, or by buying a holiday through the National Trust Travel Collection operated by Page & Moy.

## Stay in a Trust cottage

0870 458 4411

The Trust has 320 cottages to rent, from Cornwall to Northumbria, Kent to Northern Ireland, and ranging from flats in country houses such as Terice and Fountains Hall to lighthouse cottages and a converted water tower. They range from basic cottages for walkers to apartments furnished with antiques, but all are unique and set in outstanding locations.

The holiday cottage enterprise contributes over £1.5m to the Trust, making a real difference to the maintenance of our heritage.

Call the number above for a brochure, or visit the dedicated website on [www.nationaltrustcottages.co.uk](http://www.nationaltrustcottages.co.uk) to search for and view cottages, check their availability and see the latest special offers.



## Use our facilities

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What more romantic setting could there be for a wedding than Lindisfarne Castle? Over forty carefully selected National Trust houses, ranging from Clandon Park in Surrey to Wallington in Northumberland, are licensed for the consecration of marriages, some with facilities for receptions.

Some properties are available for conference hire, with fully equipped lecture facilities. We are also able to accommodate location filming at many properties.

## Get involved

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Although the Trust employs over 4,500 permanent staff – one for every 64 hectares – we could not survive without the efforts of our tens of thousands of volunteers who contribute more than 2 million hours of work a year.

If you would like to know more about over 160 different opportunities to get involved, please contact: Community, Learning and Volunteering

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Swindon SN2 8YL  
Email:  
volunteers@nationaltrust.org.uk  
www.nationaltrust.org.uk/volunteers

## Gift aid your subscription

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If all members made a Gift Aid declaration (which taxpayers can do at no extra cost to themselves), income from subscriptions would increase by £3.5m.

Paying subscriptions by direct debit helps the Trust minimise its administration costs.

If you are able to help the Trust in these ways, please telephone the Trust's Membership Department.

## Support our fundraising

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Support is always needed for the Trust's coast, countryside, houses and gardens appeals – and for the Trust's Guardians, Benefactors and Patrons schemes. Charitable trusts and corporate partners also play a vital part in our conservation work. National Trust Centres and Associations make a valuable contribution to the Trust's fundraising. You can help by joining your local Association. As demands upon the Trust's resources increase, the need to generate additional income has never been greater.

## Consider a legacy

020 7222 9251

This is a really important way to help the Trust, and a carefully thought-out booklet available from Central Office (see page 75) gives useful advice on Will-making in general, as well as particular wording if supporters want to help the Trust, or a particular place or aspect of its work. Over half of the legacies received are for sums of £5,000 or under.

For more information about the Trust visit our website:

[www.nationaltrust.org.uk](http://www.nationaltrust.org.uk)