



April/May

Heroes of the coast path



Croyde, Woolacombe and Morteheo, Devon

Come and work alongside the rangers on the most breathtaking 13-mile stretch of coast from Ilfracombe to Croyde Bay. Carrying your tools, you will work your way along the South West Coast Path with pick and shovel, making improvements as you go. Be prepared for hard graft levelling paths, replacing steps, cutting back vegetation and mending walls – your reward is spectacular views.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18ATP163	29th-6th	7	Exmoor Bunkhouse	£160

May

Dry-stone walling



South Lakes Countryside, Cumbria

An integral part of the Lake District's beautiful landscape, dry-stone walls act as a stock-proof barrier for farmers' livestock and an invaluable habitat for wildlife. Learn how these fascinating constructions are made with instruction from experienced rangers, ensuring your wall will be there for you to revisit for many years. Although dry-stone walling can be strenuous and patience is required, absolute beginners are very welcome. By the end of the week you'll never look at a pile of stones in the same way again!

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18JTZ219	5th-12th	7	High Wray Bunkhouse - Acland	£160

Ranger for a week

Golden Cap, Dorset



Come and work alongside the ranger team for a week to help them with the wide range of tasks required at this time of year. Working on our Jurassic Coast and Iron Age sites, you will have a huge variety of work. We will need help to carry out footpath maintenance, fencing, erosion repairs and other ranger tasks as required.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18ATP227	12th-19th	7	Stonebarrow Bunkhouse	£160

Dales ranger

Yorkshire Dales, North Yorkshire



This holiday is specifically aimed at physically able people with learning disabilities working alongside a same-sex carer/family member who comes with them. Join us in the glorious Yorkshire Dales to help keep the area beautiful and accessible. We will carry out a mix of conservation activities. The work will require physical ability to move around the site and may be physically demanding. We adapt tasks to suit ability, with everyone working at their own pace. If you are considering this holiday please call Roisin on 01729 830416 for a chat before booking. The cost of this holiday includes the participant and their carer/family member.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18GDP232	14th-17th	3	Town Head Barn	£190

West Lakes countryside management



Duddon and Eskdale, Cumbria

Assist the rangers with a variety of landscape and ecologically enhancing works. You could be carrying out dry-stone walling, fencing, footpath restoration and scrub removal. We will take you on a guided walk to illustrate how your work today will directly help to maintain our upland heritage (walls), landscape and ecology for the future. Project selection may vary depending on local priorities at the time or the weather! A reasonable level of fitness, a willingness to learn and a sense of humour is all that is required – we will supply the rest.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18JTP146	16th-23rd	7	Wasdale Annexe	£160

Spring around Carmarthenshire

Carmarthenshire



Spend a week visiting a variety of National Trust properties around the beautiful county of Carmarthenshire, from the visitor hubs of Dolaucothi Gold Mines and Dinefwr Park to the remote coastal paths with only the seagulls for company. We will be undertaking a variety of tasks from clearing vegetation to scrubbing signs and gates ready for the coming year.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18KTP123	19th-26th	7	Dinefwr Bunkhouse	£160

May cont'd

Re-discovering the eighteenth-century industrial landscape



Colby Woodland Garden, Pembrokeshire

Help us reclaim more of our history and discover a secret lake and waterfall. Help us clear a new path to the 200-year-old dam and water-management systems hidden away in the estate woodland. There will be footpath restoration and construction of steps to help us provide access to long-hidden historic features. There will also be a wide range of other estate and garden tasks available to keep things varied and interesting.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18KHW258	19th-26th	7	Little Craig-y-Borion	£190

Walling, wildlife and coasteering



Croyde, Woolacombe and Morteheo, Devon

The North Devon coast boasts dry-stone walls and stone-faced hedge-banks that are over 200 years old and in need of restoration. Learn the art of stone-faced hedge-banking and provide vital habitats for many wildflowers, as well as home for voles, reptiles, insects and birds. On your day off, try your hand at coasteering: don your wetsuit and traverse the rocky cliff as you make your way along the coast at Baggy Point, in partnership with H2Outdoor.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18ATP162	20th-27th	7	Exmoor Bunkhouse	£225

May/June

Woods, lakes and breathtaking beaches



Stackpole, Pembrokeshire

A working holiday with a difference, ideal for the whole family. Based at the wonderful Stackpole Estate in Pembrokeshire, you'll be helping with conservation tasks such as beach cleaning, scrub clearance and gardening in our beautiful woodlands and lakes.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18KFP114	29th-1st	3	Stackpole - Kestrel	£125



Working Holidays

June

Fix the fells upland path repairs



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Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18JTK218	2nd-9th	7	High Wray Bunkhouse - Acland	£160

Plant a parterre



Waddesdon Manor, Buckinghamshire

Waddesdon Manor has one of the finest bedding plant displays in the UK and it is at this time of year that we replace the old with the new, transforming the parterre in just a few days with thousands of bedding plants. This is gardening on a grand scale and is guaranteed to give you great satisfaction when viewing your work from within the manor. There is an opportunity to enjoy Waddesdon's history with a garden and manor tour.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18BSW132	3rd-6th	3	Chilterns Bunkhouse	£95

Coast path heroes



West Exmoor, Devon

Feeling fit? Fancy a challenge in a truly outstanding environment? Come and help our ranger team in their efforts to keep our stretch of the South West Coast Path in superb condition. There may be heavy lifting involved, you will be working hard in all weathers, with hand tools, but companionship, cake and a sense of satisfaction at a job well done are reward enough for the effort.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18ADP280	8th-15th	7	Exmoor Bunkhouse	£160

The Devil's in the detail



Devil's Dyke, West Sussex

The rangers at Devil's Dyke need your help to look after the archaeology and wildlife of this stunning chalk downland area, in Britain's newest National Park. Help us to erect essential stock fencing, maintain walking paths and perhaps enjoy a raging fire as we burn scrub cleared from sensitive areas of grassland. We will take you on a guided walk to explain how your work will directly contribute towards its conservation.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18BTP128	9th-16th	7	Slindon Bunkhouse	£160

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18BSW131	10th-13th	3	Chilterns Bunkhouse	£95

Grafting on the Greensand Ridge



West Kent Countryside, Kent

Come and explore this special part of Kent, situated on some of the highest points of the Greensand Ridge. With sweeping views across the Weald and beyond, it's easy to see why this area is so loved by everyone who visits. As part of your working holiday you will assist our friendly rangers at properties including Toys Hill to undertake woodland tasks, footpath maintenance and habitat management.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18BTP140	10th-16th	6	Octavia Hill Bunkhouse	£150

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18GDP231	11th-14th	3	Town Head Barn	£190

Walking and working the rides



Clivedon Estate, Buckinghamshire

Perched high over the River Thames, our wooded cliffs are criss-crossed with tree-lined rides and viewpoints offering spectacular panoramas of Clivedon house and the Berkshire countryside. With careful restoration and management your work will ensure that these historic walks and vistas are kept open for all to enjoy. A member of our ranger team will lead a guided walk on Sunday afternoon, offering further insights into the management of the wider estate.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18BSP269	15th-17th	2	Chilterns Bunkhouse	£90

By sea and by land



Arlington Court, Devon

This is a holiday with a difference; you will be working on the beautiful Arlington Estate with views of the nearby Exmoor on various conservation projects led by one of the rangers which could include fencing, invasive-weed control and Devon stone-faced walling repair. On two separate days, and in partnership with Exmoor Adventures, you will explore the wild and rugged coastline coasteering and sea kayaking – looking back on the land.

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18ATP263	16th-23rd	7	Exmoor Bunkhouse	£225

Farmhouse face-lift and brush-bash



Colby Woodland Garden, Pembrokeshire

You'll be staying in the restored old farmhouse at Little Craig-y-Borion Farm, where you'll be helping staff and volunteers maintain and repaint the old building with traditional limewash. You'll also be working in the garden and on the estate to clear undergrowth away from some of our hidden treasures, both rare plants and hidden archaeology. There will also be a wide range of other estate and garden tasks thrown in, to keep things varied and interesting!

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18KHQ257	16th-23rd	7	Little Craig-y-Borion	£190

Dinefwr Food Festival



Dinefwr, Carmarthenshire

Come along and help the team at Dinefwr Park to deliver a tasty treat for our visitors. The food festival will be in its third year and is gaining in popularity fast! You will help to steward the cooking tent and the talks, guide our visitors around the festival to make sure they fully experience the tasty delights on offer, help with parking and generally be our extra hands on deck. We cannot do it without you so come and join in and bring on the sunshine.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18KTU122	21st-28th	7	Dinefwr Bunkhouse	£160



June cont'd

Tree box-ercise



Ashridge Estate, Hertfordshire

On this holiday you will be working with one of the Ashridge rangers in the Grade II* listed historic parkland. As part of the park restoration, you will use basic carpentry skills to install hardwood tree protection boxes. We'll be using timber from the estate milled in our own saw-mill. These boxes will protect the next generation of locally grown oak trees that will in time become stunning parkland trees.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18BSZ197	22nd-24th	2	Chilterns Bunkhouse	£90

Habitat management and conservation



Brecon Beacons, Powys

Work from the majestic heights of the Brecon Beacons to the glorious parkland of Abergavenny and the timeless woodlands. Get stuck in with a range of conservation tasks, including scrub clearance, upland erosion control, footpath maintenance, painting and removal of invasive species. Some work sites are on steep hills with a 15-50-minute walk to get to them, but don't worry, it will be worth it for the view. No experience is needed but a sense of fun is essential!

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18KTP230	23rd-30th	7	Dan y Gyrrn Bunkhouse	£160

June/July

Bats, butterflies and a boat



West Exmoor, Devon

Get to know the flora and fauna of beautiful wild North Devon: enjoy a week learning and applying monitoring techniques with opportunities to train in grassland, butterfly, bat and woodland flower monitoring, and (weather permitting) have a day out at sea monitoring cetacean and other sea animals' activity.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18ADM281	25th-2nd	7	Exmoor Bunkhouse	£190

A right mixture



Calke Abbey, Derbyshire

The annual orchid survey takes place on the first day to ease you into the week. We will then be repairing a section of footpath that is 'creaking' due to the amount of use by visitors. We will also be clearing the growth around newly planted woodland trees to prevent them being shaded out. There will be time for a walk though some of our woodlands and a chance to look at the industrial archaeology of Ticknall Limeyards.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18ETQ117	30th-7th	7	Home Farm Bunkhouse	£160

Black Down biological survey



Black Down, Surrey

Come and take part in a biological survey across the range of beautiful properties that make up the Black Down Estate in Surrey and West Sussex. You will spend most of the holiday learning plant identification skills and surveying the local meadows and heaths. Training will be provided by the rangers, making this holiday ideal for those of any level of ability as we will teach you all you need to know. Your survey results make a real difference; they help us monitor changes and influence how we manage these wonderful habitats in the long term.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18BTR181	30th-7th	7	Hunter Bunkhouse	£160

Conservation in the Lake District



Ullswater and Aira Force, Cumbria

Join the ranger team in and around Ullswater to help conserve this beautiful area for the enjoyment of our many visitors. Gain an insight into our valuable conservation work by carrying out a variety of tasks, such as public access work, Himalayan balsam pulling, scrub management and boundary maintenance.

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18JTP182	30th-7th	7	High Wray Bunkhouse - Longland	£160

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18JTP217	30th-7th	7	High Wray Bunkhouse - Acland	£160

Youth Discovery Wasdale



Wasdale, Cumbria

Come and help the Wasdale rangers with their conservation work in both the valley and on the fells. Spend a day with us kayaking on West Water, below the beautiful screes, and gill scrambling in one of our many gills. The perfect holiday for your Duke of Edinburgh residential.

Ref	Date	Nts	Accommodation	Price
18JYP234	30th-7th	7	Wasdale Annexe	£175