



Young Ranger

Join us to care for Oxfordshire's green spaces & gain hands-on conservation experience

Why join us?

Help care for Oxfordshire's beautiful green spaces while gaining hands-on conservation experience and valuable skills for your Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award or future opportunities.

What does the role involve?

They will be completing a range of land management tasks under the watchful eye of an experienced land management session leader:

- Caring for our Arboretum
- Hedge planting and maintenance
- Wildlife habitat creation
- Path clearing and repair
- Work on our Scheduled Monument
- Coppicing
- Managing Great Crested Newt habitat

The group will receive training in the safe use of a variety of tools including:

- Bowsaws & pruning saws
- Loppers
- Shears
- Digging tools
- Scythes

Time required: 9am-1pm every 4th Saturday of the month

Frequency: Monthly

Location: Earth Trust workshop, **OX14 4QZ**

What skills and experience do you need?

- Be aged 15–18 and either completing your Gold Duke of Edinburgh Award or have previously volunteered with our Young Persons programme.

- A passion for the outdoors
- An interest in wildlife, conservation, and species identification
- A friendly, welcoming attitude when meeting members of the public
- There is also the opportunity to attend our Saturday land management work party at Wallingford Castle Meadows, 10am-1pm every 2nd Saturday of the month

What support you will receive?

- Induction session covering role expectations, safeguarding, and risk assessment
- Gloves, uniform, and all tools provided (please bring sturdy boots or walking shoes)
- Task-specific training and verbal risk assessment at each session
- DBS-checked session leader present at all times. Parents are welcome to attend—just let us know in advance.

Get in touch

For further information, or if you'd like to arrange an informal chat about the role, please contact our Volunteering & Culture Manager, Nicola Frost.

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