

## JOB DESCRIPTION

<b>Job Title</b>	Assistant Animal Trainer & Presenter
<b>Hourly Rate</b>	Dependant on experience
<b>Contract Type</b>	Full time seasonal
<b>Reports to</b>	Zoo Director & Head Animal Trainer

<b>Main Purpose of Job</b>	To work as part of the team to focus on providing the highest standards of welfare and husbandry to all species in your care. This post will support the Head Animal Trainer with all types of training sessions. Including the delivery of bird and animal shows, animal encounters/experiences and educational talks. Part of the role will require Animal Keeper duties which requires the post to follow the daily husbandry and maintenance routines for the animals on the assigned section. To ensure Wild Discovery is a clean, safe and enjoyable place to visit at all times.
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<b>Main Duties and Responsibilities:</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To provide the highest standards of welfare and husbandry to all species in your care.</li> <li>• Prepare animal food according to the diet sheets and feed out according to zoo protocol.</li> <li>• Support the Head Animal Trainer with the delivery of the devised animal training programmes.</li> <li>• Present engaging bird flying displays, talks for public and educational visits and animal encounters in a confident manner.</li> <li>• Follow and contribute to the zoo's enrichment programme.</li> <li>• To ensure enclosure maintenance duties are undertaken on a regular basis, including pond cleaning, weeding, planting, painting and general maintenance etc.</li> <li>• To ensure cleanliness in all areas of the zoo and that health and safety protocols are followed at all times by staff and public.</li> <li>• Provide information relating to the care of exhibits if requested.</li> <li>• Support and promote the conservation projects supported by the zoo with visitors.</li> <li>• To correctly store all foods, bedding and other materials associated with the collection.</li> <li>• To ensure that visitor information and interpretation is kept in good order.</li> <li>• To ensure that all equipment is kept up to date and in working order.</li> <li>• Responsible for ensuring personal protective equipment is adequate for purpose and that uniform provided is always worn.</li> <li>• To work outdoors in all weather.</li> <li>• To be physically fit.</li> <li>• Undertake training as required – determined by the Employee Development Appraisal process.</li> <li>• Undertake any other duties deemed necessary by the Zoo Director in line with the responsibilities of this role.</li> </ul>	

<b>Other Requirements:</b>	
<p>This position is PAYE and therefore paid hourly. This position is full time with an immediate start. The post will be working on a rota basis including weekends, bank holidays and occasional evenings. The working day start time is 8.30am and the finishing time varies throughout the year depending on the seasons. November through to March finishing time is 4.30pm, from April to October finishing time is 5.30pm.</p>	