**New Forest Wildlife Camp**

**25th – 27th Oct 2024**

We are delighted to confirm that we will be running another New Forest Wildlife Camp and it will be held from 25th – 27th Oct 24 at Cameron’s Cottage at RSPB Franchises Lodge Reserve in the New Forest National Park (see links below). This event is aimed at young wildlife enthusiasts between the ages of 12 and 18 and provides a fantastic opportunity to experience the wildlife of the New Forest in the company of like-minded people.

<https://www.cameronbespolka.com/cameron-s-cottage>

<https://www.rspb.org.uk/fun-and-learning/camerons-cottage/>

Participants will be guided by a team of DBS-approved New Forest wildlife experts, who will share their knowledge and passion for nature as well as providing careers advice for budding conservationists. The itinerary includes wildlife observation, bird ringing and identification, nocturnal moth and bat surveys, fungi hunting, and a mini-bioblitz. Read the accounts below from recent camps at Cameron’s Cottage for examples of some of the activities on offer.

<https://www.wildnewforest.co.uk/post/young-person-s-new-forest-wildlife-camp-2021>

<https://www.wildnewforest.co.uk/post/young-person-s-new-forest-wildlife-camp-spring-2022>

The event is organised by **Wild New Forest**, a Community Interest Company that delivers wildlife survey, conservation, and educational activities including guided tours in the New Forest National Park. [www.wildnewforest.co.uk](http://www.wildnewforest.co.uk)

The weekend is sponsored by the **Cameron Bespolka Trust** and supported by the **RSPB**, two organisations with a strong commitment to young wildlife enthusiasts, providing them with opportunities to be outdoors and to connect with nature.

Participants will be provided with meals, accommodation, and transportation during the weekend, but will need to arrange travel to and from Franchises Lodge (although we may be able to arrange car sharing and train station pick-ups). Arrival is at 6pm on Friday 25th Oct and the event finishes at 4pm on Sunday 27th Oct. The all-inclusive participation fee is just £25 per person.

Please fill out the attached registration details and return by email to emilylouise@wildnewforest.co.uk before 15th Oct 24.

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**Application Form**

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| **Name** |
| **Address** |
| **Email address** |
| **Dietary requirements?** |
| **Date of Birth** | **Gender** |
| **Please answer the following questions** (max 200 words - continue on another page if necessary) |
| 1. **Tell us about your interest in wildlife**
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| 1. **Why are you interested in attending the NF wildlife camp?**
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| Please ask a parent or guardian to approve your participation:**Parent/Guardian Name**: **Parent/Guardian Signature**:  |
| Please email your responses to emilylouise@wildnewforest.co.uk by 15th Oct 24 |