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We provide special, life changing experiences and connect people to the natural world.

At the Earth Trust we believe that the best way to look after the places we love is to change the way we live.



Our 19th Century barn and timber framed offices are available to hire for conferences, meetings, weddings and family celebrations.
 Join us to experience award-winning architecture, sustainability and heritage in a stunning location.

Fison Barn and Meeting Room Hire



Book a Bundle!
 Book two or more courses at a time and save 10%*
 NB this excludes guided walks and talks, Clumps Club and certain other events. Please enquire when booking.

Summer Clumps Club Early Bird Discount

Book and pay in full by 30th March 2012 and receive a 10% discount on the price*.
 *This is a limited offer and applies only to events in this leaflet. Only one offer (including Friends Discounts) can be used per event.

New for 2012!

Earth Trust Summer School

Look out for the launch of the Earth Trust Summer School

22nd July – 2nd August

Two weeks of courses and activities, running alongside our ever-popular Clumps Club for the second week – something for all the family.

Why not consider booking some time just for 'you', safe in the knowledge that your children have something equally amazing to do for the day!

Look out for further details in the New Year.

Get Involved – Volunteer!

If you want to do something different, and give a little bit of your time to the Earth Trust, why not come and volunteer?

Whether you want to get outdoors and learn practical conservation skills, or spend some time in our award winning offices helping with our marketing, fundraising and administration – every hour you can give makes a difference.

Get in touch or see our website for more details.

Join the Earth Trust

The best way to support the Earth Trust is to become a Friend.

As a Friend you will join a growing number of people who support us as we work to reconnect more people with the natural world. For as little as £2 a month, you automatically receive great benefits... more than that, you help the Earth Trust as we provide life-changing experiences for more than 200,000 children and adults annually.

Benefits for Friends:

- Discounted prices on many events and courses – discover new skills and interests
- 'Come down to earth' calendar including exclusive, seasonal walks and talks
- Regular newsletters to keep you connected with the Earth Trust
- Early bird opportunities

Earth Trust Friends for Life and those that have been Friends for three or more years receive additional discounts when hiring the Fison Barn.



Events 2012



Come down to earth

Please see over for details of our Book a Bundle Discount.

Events Key

-  Countryside Crafts
-  Wildermess Skills
-  Discovery
-  Friend's Exclusive

New for 2012

-  Child Friendly
-  Family Friendly



January

Sunday 8th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £50 | Friends £40
Winter Fruit Tree Pruning
Keep your fruit trees looking healthy and productive. Learn all aspects of pruning and gain practical experience in the Trust's own small orchard.

Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th
9.30am - 4pm | Adults £75 | Friends £60
Introduction to Hedge Laying

Learn the traditional skill of hedge laying in this two day hands-on course. All specialist tools and equipment supplied.

Saturday 14th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Basket Weaving Workshop

Come and weave your own truly unique basket, and take it away with you. Please bring secateurs and a penknife if you have them.

Friday 20th | 6pm - 8pm | Adults £5 | Children £2
Guided Walk: Dark of the Moon Hike

Explore the countryside after dark on a starlit hike, search for secretive animals and find out about the constellations.

Sunday 29th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £75
Friends £60

Hurdle Weaving Workshop

Make traditional hazel hurdles to take home on this practical course. Whether you want to camouflage a compost heap, disguise a dustbin or make an interesting trellis, this course is for you!

Sunday 29th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Apple Tree Grafting

Learn all aspects of fruit tree grafting, from its history to why we graft and when. Make 3 apple trees of your own to take home.

February

Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th
9.30am - 4pm | Adults £75 | Friends £60
Advanced Hedge Laying

A two day, hands-on course suitable for anyone who has previously been on a hedge laying course and would like to learn how to tackle a more challenging hedge.

Sunday 5th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £50 | Friends £40
Basket Weaving Workshop

See 14th January for event details.

May

Thursday 17th | 8.30pm - 10.30pm | Adults £5
Children £2

Guided Walk: Bats at Wallingford

Castle Meadows
Join a local bat expert to find out about these fascinating night flyers living right in the heart of Wallingford. Learn how to use a bat detector and recognise different species in flight.

Saturday 19th | 10am - 12noon | Adults £5
Children £2

Guided Walk: Birds at Thrupp Lake, Radley

Join local expert Ben Carpenter for a stroll around Thrupp Lake, Radley to learn more about the birds to be found and the habitats they live in. Meet at 'Sandles' (more details on booking).

Sunday 20th | 10am - 1pm | Adults £15
Children £12

Guided Walk: Plant Foraging

Discover more about local plants that you can eat or use for dyeing, fire lighting and more!

Sunday 20th 10am - 5pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Introduction to Landscape Photography

Join professional landscape photographer David Hall for an enjoyable day to improve your landscape photography. Please bring your own camera and tripod if you have one.

June

TBC | Registration from 10am, walk starts 11am
Prices to be confirmed

Walk on the Wild Side

Join us for the second year of our sponsored walk in collaboration with Age UK Oxfordshire. Two stunning routes take in the best of the Wittenham Clumps countryside. Check the website or call us nearer the time for the confirmed date.

Thursday 7th | 7.30pm - 9pm | Adults £5
Children £2

Guided Walk: History of Wallingford Castle

Local historian Judy Dewey brings to life the rich history of Wallingford Castle Meadows on this guided walk. No dogs. Meet at Castle Gardens (more details on booking).

Friday 8th | 10am - 3pm | Adults £20 | Children £15
Family Bushcraft Day

A day for all the family to get that wild living feeling! Explore in the woods, make shelters, and even learn how to make a fire. Friends discounts apply.

Sunday 17th | 2pm - 3.30pm | Free (Friends only)
Friends Exclusive: Orchid Walk at Mowbray Fields

This exclusive walk is a great opportunity to see stunning orchids in this wildlife haven, and learn about the techniques used to manage the site.

Saturday 23rd | 10am - 4pm | Adults £75
Friends £60

Ancient Fire Lighting Skills

Learn how to make fire by friction and how to create fire like our ancestors. Practical skills to make a fire even in wet conditions without matches or a lighter!

Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th
10am - 4pm | Adults £200 | Friends £160
Coracle Making Workshop

Make yourself a Coracle Boat and then take it away with you! Experienced Coracle maker Alistair Phillips will guide you through the process. Fee includes all materials, tuition, and paddle. You will need to paint at home (paint not included). If you wish to cover your boat with a more durable plastic sheet cover an additional £35 is payable.

July

Sunday 1st | 2pm - 4pm | Adults £5 | Children £2
Guided Walk: Damsels and Dragons at Thrupp Lake, Radley

Join expert Steve Gregory to explore the damsel and dragonflies of Thrupp Lake. Learn more about these prehistoric fliers and improve your identification skills. Meet at 'Sandles' (more details on booking).

Saturday 7th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Fruit Tree Budding

Learn all aspects of fruit tree budding – a type of grafting – and make 3 fruit trees to take home with you.

Thursday 12th | 9pm - 11pm | Adults £5 | Children £2

Guided Walk: Bats at Riverside Meadows

Join a local bat expert to find out about these fascinating night flyers living right next to the river. Learn how to use a bat detector and recognise different species in flight.

Saturday 14th and Sunday 15th
10am - 4pm | Adults £200 | Friends £160
Coracle Making Workshop

See 23rd and 24th June for event details.

Sunday 15th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £75
Friends £60

Introduction to Bushcraft

Learn to live closer to nature – this is a fun and relaxing day learning how to build a shelter, make fire by friction, and enjoy spending time in the woods!

Saturday 21st | 9.30am - 4pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Introduction to Scything

Learn the traditional skills of scything on this practical one-day course. All specialist tools and equipment supplied.

Sunday 22nd to Tuesday 31st
Summer School

New for 2012, further details to follow in January 2012. See our website or contact us then.

Monday 30th and Tuesday 31st
9.30am - 4pm | £25 per child per day, but see over for details of early booking discount

Summer Clumps Club

Different outdoor adventures and play everyday! Shelter building, wild art, drama and games!

August

Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd

Summer School

See 22nd to 31st July for event details.

Wednesday 1st and Thursday 2nd
9.30am - 4pm | £25 per child per day, but see over for details of early booking discount

Summer Clumps Club

See 30th and 31st July for event details.

Friday 3rd | 10am - 3pm | Adults £20 | Children £15
Family Bushcraft Day

See 8th June for event details.

Thursday 9th | 8pm - 10.30pm | Adults £5
Children £2

Guided Walk and Talk: Bats

Meet Dave Endacott's rescued bats before going on a night time walk around the reserve and learning how to use a bat detector.

September

Saturday 1st | 10am - 4pm | Adults £75
Friends £60

Campfire Cooking

See 29th April for event details.

Friday 7th | 7pm - 10pm | Adults £5 | Children £2
Moth Night

A wonderful opportunity to get up close and see how beautiful British moths can be! Learn the basics of identification and learn more about these fascinating night time creatures.

Sunday 9th | 9.30am - 4pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Introduction to Scything

See 21st July for event details.

Sunday 9th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £50 | Friends £40
Wild Plant Dyes

Learn to identify and extract natural dyes and colour a rainbow with traditional methods.

Thursday 13th | 7.30pm - 9pm | Adults £5
Children £2

The Incredible World of the Honey Bee

Discover what makes the honey bee so special in this illustrated talk with an expert from Brightwell Bees.

Thursday 27th | 3pm - 4.30pm | Free (Friends only)
Friends Exclusive Earth Trust Talk: Plans for the Future

An opportunity to find out about Earth Trust's plans and projects.

October

Saturday 13th | 2pm - 4pm | Adults £5
Guided Walk: Fungus Foray

Join our local expert on this popular walk around the Wittenham Clumps and Little Wittenham Wood, and learn more about the identification and ecology of fungi. This is not an opportunity to collect edible fungi.

Sunday 21st | 2pm - 4pm | Adults £5
Guided Walk: Fungus Foray at Wallingford Castle Meadows

Join our expert at Wallingford Castle Meadows and learn more about the ecology and identification of fungi. This is not an opportunity to collect edible fungi.

Wednesday 31st | 10am - 3pm | Adults £20
Children £15

Halloween Family Bushcraft Day

A day for all the family to get that wild living feeling! Explore in the woods, make shelters, and even learn how to make a fire. Friends discounts apply.

November

Sunday 4th | 2pm - 4pm | Adults £5
Guided Walk: Fungus Foray

See 13th October for event details.

Saturday 10th | 9.30am - 4pm | Adults £50
Friends £40

Introduction to Coppicing

A one day, hands-on course suitable for anyone who would like to learn the traditional skill of coppicing.

Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th
9.30am - 4pm | Adults £75 | Friends £60

Introduction to Hedge Laying

See 14th and 15th January for event details.

Saturday 24th | 10am - 4pm | Adults £75
Friends £60

Hurdle Weaving Workshop

See 29th January for event details.

Friday 30th | 6pm - 8pm | Adults £5 | Children £2
Guided Walk: Full Moon Hike

Explore the countryside after dark on a full moon hike, searching for badgers, deer, and other animals by the moon light.

December

Saturday 1st | 9.30am - 11.30am
Free (Friends only)

Friends Exclusive: Winter Wetland

Birds at Thrupp Lake, Radley

A stroll round Thrupp Lake with expert Ben Carpenter to help you improve your bird identification skills!

Sunday 2nd | 10am - 12noon | Adults £5
£2 Children

Make Traditional Christmas

Decorations

Make your own traditional Christmas decorations. We will have a short walk to collect materials, then use them in our amazing decorations!

How to Book: Booking (with payment) is required for all events unless specified. Enquiries can be made by telephone or email. Please meet at Earth Trust Centre, Little Wittenham for all events unless another location is stated. No dogs allowed.

 We aim to cater for special requirements, disability and mobility needs. However, this may not be possible for all our events; please contact us in advance to discuss your individual circumstances.

Refunds: We are not able to refund event fees if you are unable to take up your place. If you or Earth Trust is able to find someone else to take your place your fee will be refunded. We reserve the right to cancel any event if it is not adequately subscribed and your payment will be refunded in full.



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