

# Natural World

**Holidays** We operate a wide range of Natural World holidays covering birdlife, wildflowers, geology, astronomy and general wildlife. Holidays are offered on a full-board basis at our UK Country Houses.

Group sizes have a maximum of 15 guests.

Generally, these holidays are open to all levels of experience.

The daily outing usually departs at 9.30am each day and returns around 5.00pm. A review of the day's activity and a briefing about the next day usually takes place after dinner. The evening programme can include social activities with other groups in the house as well as sessions devoted to the Natural World.

**Equipment** Guests are advised on equipment and field guides appropriate to the holiday prior to travel. We take advice from leaders when compiling guest 'What to Bring' lists.

Audio visual equipment is available at the Country House, if required.

**Leaders** As well as being knowledgeable in their area of expertise, Leaders should also be prepared to take on the wider role of facilitating a friendly holiday atmosphere. This includes helping to meet and greet guests on arrival, taking a full part in the social programme and liaising with other holiday Leaders in residence.

Natural World Leaders read the brochure description, product guidelines and Leader Manual then plan and deliver the holiday timetable and content of sessions accordingly.

Outdoor locations and walking routes are chosen by Leaders according to their personal knowledge and expertise. It is important that leaders will be familiar with the areas in which they lead and have walked routes before taking guests there. Reccie visits can be arranged, if required.

Leaders should provide guests with as much technical input as they require, as per the holiday description.

Some guests may have little prior knowledge of the subject whilst others could be advanced enthusiasts, the Leader will need to manage this accordingly.

Leaders are required to hold a current and appropriate First Aid certificate.