



WADDESDON

Thank you for your interest in volunteering at Waddesdon Manor.

Our varied and rewarding volunteering opportunities play an integral part in enhancing and ensuring a positive visitor experience for everyone.

Please find following a profile for the role of

Aviary Volunteer

Reporting to:	Ian Edmans, Curator of Birds
Department:	Aviary
Based at:	Aviary (located near Manor House)
Purpose of this role within Waddesdon Manor:	At the Aviary we maintain an exotic bird collection for display to our visitors. We try to make a difference and contribute to the survival of bird species as living creatures. We keep rare and endangered species many of which are stud book managed whether in the UK or on a European level. We co-operate with the wider Zoological community to further knowledge in this field and educate our visitors about what we are trying to achieve. Our work in conservation is very important and we are helping to reintroduce endangered species back into their natural habitat. We have had success with the Rothschild's Mynah bird.
Key elements of this role you could expect to undertake or be asked to do:	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Feeding, cleaning, food preparation, project work, maintenance and a variety of other tasks.• If you are interested you may like to assist with public presentations.
You will be working with:	Ian Edmans and other volunteers
Who would be good at this role?	
<i>We ask that all our volunteers have an interest and enthusiasm for Waddesdon Manor and the work of the National Trust. Particular person attributes needed for this role are: Essential (E) and Desirable (D)</i>	
Presentation and Impact	E Approachable demeanour, keen to learn and engage.
Education, Qualification, Special Skills	D No specific qualifications are needed. An interest in learning about each breed of bird.
Work Experience	D Previous experience working with animals and people.
Motivation and Aptitude	E Reliable with good time keeping. A respect and genuine concern for the welfare of animals.
Disposition and Personality	E Enjoys working as part of a team but also happy to work alone. Willing to perform simple tasks like cutting fruit.
Training and Induction given:	Training in all aspects of the role will be provided.
Anticipated Time Contribution:	½ or 1 day per week. (usually mornings 8am – 12pm)
Lunch breaks and comfort breaks:	Lunch and comfort breaks to be taken during the day
Safety equipment supplied (if appropriate):	n/a Please bring your own clothes to wear. Overalls can be provided
Benefits of volunteering for the National Trust At Waddesdon	
After you have amounted 50 volunteer hours you will be awarded a National Trust Volunteers card offering you the following discounts:	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Free entry into National Trust properties (or free entry for another person if the card holder is already a NT member)▪ 20% discount to volunteer card holders on National Trust Membership	

- 20% off in Waddesdon's Retail Shops
 - 10% off in Waddesdon's Wine Shop
 - 20% off most Waddesdon ticketed events (some exclusions may apply)
 - *Up to 35% off National Trust Holiday Cottages
 - 20% off at National Trust's online shop
- *all discounts are subject to availability*

Expenses: Reimbursement of travel costs between home and Waddesdon Manor in the form of a mileage claim (33p per mile).

In addition: Our Volunteer Community are very important to us and we like to get them all together when we can. We host occasional events including a Christmas lunch, an annual day trip and coffee mornings. We are always open to ideas and suggestions on keeping the community thriving and involved.

The list of duties is not exhaustive and Waddesdon reserves the right to amend this list within reason according to the needs of Waddesdon Manor. For all our volunteer positions we have a formal selection process. All these arrangements are binding in honour only and are not intended to be legally binding