



Useful Information

Places to eat

Otter Garden Centre - Gosford Road, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1LZ (approx. 2 miles)

The Otter Inn - Weston, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1UZ (approx. 1.5 miles)

Tumbling Weir Hotel & Restaurant - Canaan Way, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1AQ (approx. 2.2 miles)

Coffee Bank - 6 Silver Street, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1DD (approx. 2 miles)

Shops

West Hill Village Shop & Post Office, EX11 1TX (walking distance)

Sainsbury's - Ottery St Mary, EX11 1BE (approx. 2 miles)

Spar - Ottery St Mary, EX11 1BT (approx. 2 miles)

Accommodation

Woodbury Park Hotel, Woodbury, EX5 1JJ (approx. 2.5 miles) Preferred accommodation for course attendees

Tumbling Weir Hotel - Ottery St Mary, EX11 1AQ (approx. 2.2 miles)

Premier Inn - Honiton, EX14 1BQ (approx. 5–6 miles)

Holiday Inn Express - Exeter Business Park, EX1 3PE (approx. 6 miles)

Travelodge - Exeter M5, EX2 7HF (approx. 6 miles)

Premier Inn - Exeter M5 J29, EX1 3LJ (approx. 7–8 miles)

Camping & Caravan Sites

Otter Valley Holiday Park, EX11 1RY (approx. 2 miles)

Bowhayes Farm Camping & Glamping, Ottery St Mary (approx. 2–3 miles)

West Hill is a small village with limited facilities. A wider range of amenities can be found in nearby Ottery St Mary (approx. 2 miles away).



Things to bring with you

Format

Whilst in the classroom, we normally have a morning and afternoon comfort break of around 15 minutes, and a lunch break of one hour, unless the group consensus is to shorten lunch and finish sooner.

THINGS TO BRING WITH YOU: -

- Clipboard, pen, pencil and paper
- Lunch/snacks/water bottle. Tea, coffee and water will be provided.
- Outdoor clothing and footwear, including wellington boots for field courses. We suggest layering, as we cannot forecast the weather, and it may get cold, particularly during evening surveys, e.g., great crested newts and bat hibernation. Wellingtons recommended and clothes will get muddy for bat hibernation.
- Hard hat (essential for bat hibernation course).
- Waders (essential for Otter Ecology Course).
- Head torch and hand torch (essential for bat and great crested newt surveys).
- Face masks and thin gloves (essential) for any animal handling (for COVID risk) and for bat hibernation.
- Leather welding gauntlets for adder handling.
- Binoculars may be useful, but not essential.
- Hi-vis vest (if you have one).
- Rucksack to keep the above in when on site.
- Your logbook if you want it signing.
- A good attitude and a smile!