



Drystone Wall Repair Volunteer Role Description

About the Cumbria Wildlife Trust

As one of 46 independent Wildlife Trusts, we are a local wildlife conservation charity. Cumbria Wildlife Trust cares passionately about wildlife and wild places – we're here to put wildlife back into our land and seascapes to make Cumbria a wilder county with more space for nature. We restore and connect wild places, work with nature to tackle the climate emergency and support people to take local action for wildlife.

We wouldn't be able to do what we do without the dedication and support from our community of 600 active volunteers, over 15000 members and supporters.

What is a Drystone Wall Repair Volunteer?

We are looking for experienced drystone wall volunteers to help us maintain the network of drystone walls around our internationally important nature reserves of Hutton Roof Crag and Park Wood. The boundaries are essential to help us manage grazing livestock on the nature reserves. You will join a friendly and dedicated team of staff and volunteers.

What's in it for you?

- Getting out and about in nature at some of Cumbria Wildlife Trust's most beautiful nature reserves
- Having opportunities to be part of how the nature reserve is managed, with grazing an important tool to help us restore these habitats
- Health and wellbeing benefits
- Becoming part of a friendly and dedicated team of volunteers and staff
- Tools and PPE will be provided

What's involved?

- Spending time out and about on site, working as part of a team to rebuild drystone boundary walls.
- Volunteers need to be physically fit to access the work areas and carry out the task.

- The repairs mainly consist of replace wall tops, but some sections may need a complete rebuild.
- Volunteers must have experience in drystone wall construction as, unfortunately, we are unable to offer training at this time.
- This role will have minimal supervision so volunteers will need to work independently.

Who would suit this role?

This role will suit:

- Experienced drystone wallers who enjoy working outdoors.
- Are aged 18 or over
- Are able to work independently and are physically fit

Extra information

Your place	Hutton Roof Crag (LA6 1NU W3W/// action.diagram.kilt) and Park Wood (LA6 2PF W3W/// carbon.cobbles.crouching)
Time commitment	The role is flexible on dates and times to suit volunteer availability.
Volunteer Coordinator	Ruth Alcroft, Volunteer Coordinator volunteering@cumbriawildlifetrust.org.uk
Staff Contact (if different)	Scott Petrek
Training/Resources	Volunteer handbook and Trust induction. Health and safety training will be mandatory and provided for you. Volunteers are able to receive travel expenses of 0.45p per mile agreed in advanced with their staff contact.
Other Requirements	A site induction and orientation will be provided.

This role is purely voluntary and this arrangement is not meant to be a legally binding one or an employment contract