



Plumgarths Tree Watering 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 15,000 members and supporters.

What is a Tree Watering Volunteer?

We are looking for volunteers to lend a hand and help our Skiddaw saplings flourish.

You will join a friendly and dedicated team of volunteers and staff as part of a rota to make sure our tree seeds receive the care they need. As one of the tree seed nurseries for Skiddaw, this is an essential part of producing 300,000 (or more!) trees for the mountain.

What's in it for you?

Becoming part of a friendly and dedicated team of volunteers and staff

Spending time in Cumbria Wildlife Trust's headquarter's gardens

Health and wellbeing benefits

Supporting the development of temperate rainforests on Skiddaw

Keeping in touch with the latest 'tree-related' developments

What's involved?

- Joining the rota to make sure the seedlings are watered every day as needed (takes around 15 minutes but needs doing daily so close proximity to Plumgarths, Kendal, is essential)
- Spending time out and about around the garden

It's up to you how often you would like to volunteer.

Who would suit this role?

This role will suit anyone interested in volunteering with Cumbria Wildlife Trust, who loves nature, wildlife and gardens. It would especially suit those who:

- Are aged 16 or over
- Have a natural enthusiasm for trees and nature
- Enjoy working in an outdoor environment (in all weathers!)

Extra information

Your place	Cumbria Wildlife Trust, Plumgarths, Crook Road, Kendal LA8 8LX
Time commitment	The trees need watering daily. We'd love to fill a weekly rota, possibly including reserves, who are able to get to the gardens easily. You can be flexible in how much you offer to help.
Volunteer Coordinator	Ruth Alcroft, Volunteer Coordinator volunteering@cumbriawildlifetrust.org.uk
Staff Contact (if different)	Izzy Sharpe IzzyS@cumbriawildlifetrust.org.uk
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