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# #Love Nature Festival

25 - 31 May

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This year we are hosting our ninth **#LoveNature Festival**, with the theme of 'Wildlife On Our Doorstep'.

The week-long event, which also happens to run over half-term, primarily celebrates the annual blooming of our spectacular orchid fields at Le Noir Pré, and includes an array of activities for families, adults, and children throughout the week.

This year's festival will showcase the work of the National Trust for Jersey, not just in St. Ouen where the orchids are located, but in a few extra sites too. There will be events based around the arts, nature, wildlife, physical activity for all ages, and conservation.

There really is something for everyone and we are so grateful to all our local experts who have got involved, and also to our sponsor, Jersey National Park.

Jersey National Park tirelessly promote and celebrate the beautiful and critical landscape that we look after at the National Trust for Jersey and we are so happy that they have chosen to support this years #LoveNature Festival once again.

We hope you all enjoy the programme, and don't forget to tag us on social media!

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# Sunday

## 25 May

### ORCHID FIELD FELT BOWL WORKSHOP WITH BEVERLEY SPECK

Join The National Trust's Artist In Residence, Beverley Speck, at The Seaside Cafe, Greve de Lecq for this creative textile workshop. Using the orchids of Le Noir Pré for inspiration, Beverley will guide you through creating your own hand-sculpted felt bowl for you to treasure. Bring along your lunch to enjoy in the break whilst looking out at the wonderful view of the bay. Tea, coffee & biscuits will be provided. A delightful wool fibre kit is included, and a short list of items to bring along (everyday household objects) will be emailed to you a month before your session commences.

**Time:** 11.30am - 3.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Greve de Lecq Seaside Café

**Parking:** Greve de Lecq Seaside Café car park

**Duration:** 3.5 hours

**Price:** Free for members; £10 Non-Members

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### ST OUEN'S COASTAL STRIP WILDFLOWER & FOLKLORE WALK WITH TINA HULL

A walk with local botanist Tina Hull looking at the wildflowers growing along this popular bay. You may be visiting here for the beach or cafes but close at hand are a wonderful range of wildflowers all with interesting folk stories to tell. The walk will take you from Sand's car park, opposite the Wetland Centre, through to Le Noir Pré Orchid field so bring your wellingtons. Please note, the landscape is very uneven to walk on and may include wet meadow. The walk isn't suitable for children or dogs.

**Time:** 1.00pm - 3.00 pm

**Meeting Point:** Sand's car park, opposite the Wetland Centre

**Parking:** Sand's car park, opposite the Wetland Centre

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for members; £10 Non-Members

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### BIOLUMINESCENCE WALKS WITH JERSEY WALK ADVENTURES (MEMBERS ONLY EVENT)

As night descends, star-like shapes of luminous green twinkle and sparkle in a few special coastal spots at low tide, illuminating the seabed at your feet. Few residents ever see - or even know about - these remarkable creatures. Join the local guides who first identified this fascinating phenomenon. As we wander from shore, stars twinkle in the dark sky, revealing a different world to explore. In just a few hours, the sea will cover our footprints. This walk takes place at night across uneven and wet terrain on the seabed, like a coastal path or a forest ramble, with stops to observe marine life. As with all natural phenomena, bioluminescence's intensity can vary daily.

**Time:** 10.30pm

**Meeting Point:** La Rocque Car Park

**Parking:** La Rocque Car Park

**Duration:** 1.5 - 2 hours (1 Mile)

**Price:** (Members-Only) £25 Adults; £15 Children (Age 5-16)

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### ORCHID FIELD OPENING (SELF-GUIDED)

Experience a riot of colour at Le Noir Pré, our orchid meadows, which will be in full bloom. There are three species of orchids found growing in Le Noir Pré: the Southern Marsh Orchid, Jersey Orchid and the Spotted Orchid. Orchid counts take place every two years and since 1995 numbers have increased from 1,500 to over 90,000. As well as orchids there are 80 other flowering plants in the meadows and a wide diversity of insects, reptiles, mammals and birds.

**Time:** 1.00pm - 3.00 pm

**Meeting Point:** Noir-Pré Gate

**Parking:** Car parks in the vicinity (Bus Route 22)

**Price:** Free & no need to book - just turn up.



# Monday

## 26 May

### FUNGI FORAY – GUIDED FUNGI TRAIL WITH MYCOLOGIST, CHARLOTTE SHENKIN

Join local award-winning mycologist Charlotte Shenkin as she takes you on a guided walk around La Vallée des Vaux to explore the mysterious and beautiful world of fungi. This is an opportunity not to be missed, for amateurs and more experienced nature enthusiasts alike.

**Time:** 10.15am - 12.15pm

**Meeting Point:** Granite National Trust Plaque at Le Don Le Gallais

**Parking:** Best to park on the road where there are spaces or to enjoy the short walk from town.

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members; £10 for Non-Members. To book go to [www.nationaltrust.je/events](http://www.nationaltrust.je/events)

### ST. OUEEN 'HINTERLANDS' WALK WITH CONRAD EVANS

Join the National Trust for Jersey's Conrad Evans as he takes you on a guided walk through the hinterlands of St. Ouen. You will meander up and down the undulating footways of St. Ouen, behind the typical walking route of the dunes and bay, learning about its history and ecology along the way. Moderately difficult with some steps & winding paths.

**Time:** 2.00pm - 3.30pm

**Meeting Point:** Car park opposite Kempt Tower

**Parking:** Car park opposite Kempt Tower

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Price:** Free for Members; £10 for Non-Members. To book go to:

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### CRICKET CHORUS EXPERIENCE AT GRANTEZ WITH LOUISE WHALE

Grantez is home to the locally rare field cricket (*Gryllus campestris*). Join the Trust's Conservation Officer, Louise Whale, on a short walk around the dune grasslands to learn about their behaviour and lifecycle. Whilst you are unlikely to see the crickets, you should hear the males chirping away from their burrows. Bring a charged smart phone or camera with some memory for a chance of capturing footage of one. Restrictions: Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies, and no dogs due to the sensitivity of the site.

**Time:** 2.00pm - 3.30pm

**Meeting Point:** Grantez car park

**Parking:** Grantez car park

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Price:** Free for Members; £10 for Non-Members. To book go to [www.nationaltrust.je/events](http://www.nationaltrust.je/events)





# Tuesday

## 27 May

### GLORIOUS BIRDSONG AT SUNRISE WITH NEIL AND ALLI SINGLETON

Experiencing the dawn chorus is truly unique and rewarding; well worth the early rise! Listen to nature's symphony, one of the most magical moments in the natural world, as the dark of night eases into the breaking dawn throughout the Val de la Mare arboretum. Join Neil and Alli (Birding Tours Jersey) for a short woodland wander, and you may even see bats going home to roost after a busy night feeding!

**Time:** 4.30am - 6.30am

**Meeting Point:** Val de la Mare  
(top car park)

**Parking:** Val de la Mare (top car park)

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 Non-Members. To book go to

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### PARKOUR/FREERUNNING IN NATURE: FAMILY FUN IN THE GREAT OUTDOORS WITH THANDA MUTERO

Come and enjoy Parkour/Freerunning movement surrounded by nature's beauty! Drop in anytime and stay as long as you like. We'll explore creative, playful movement and challenges over nature's obstacles, connecting with the outdoors in the way our bodies were made to. You'll leave with a fresh perspective on nature and family play.

**Time:** 10.00am - 12.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Grantez

**Parking:** Grantez car park

**Duration:** 2 hours - drop-in anytime

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 Non-Members. To book go to

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### BUSHCRAFT FOR FAMILIES WITH KAZZ PADIDAR OF WILD ADVENTURES JERSEY

Join Kazz on a 2-hour journey in some of the wilder parts of the Island, discovering wild edible and medicinal plants, natural navigating skills, and finally some fire making skills. This adventure is suitable for any age, children and adults alike.

**Time:** 4.30pm - 6.30pm

**Meeting Point:** Car park opposite

Kempton Tower

**Parking:** Car park opposite Kempton Tower

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

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# Wednesday

## 28 May

### MINDFUL SKETCHING IN NATURE - WITH ILLUSTRATOR, ERIN BROWN

Join illustrator, Erin Brown, for this workshop where she will help you sketch the natural world around you. Open to any ability, while Erin will help give you practical tips on capturing nature in your sketchbook, it is also an opportunity to slow down and pay attention to the details as a form of mindfulness. Please bring your own sketchbook and pens/pencils. Open to families and adults alike.

**Time:** 10.00am - 11.30am

**Meeting Point:** Mill Pond car park, St. Peter's Valley

**Parking:** Mill Pond car park, St. Peter's Valley

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Price:** Free for Members; £10 for non-Members - booking essential.

To book go to

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### ROCKPOOL RAMBLE FOR FAMILIES WITH THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR JERSEY'S ERIN COWHAM

Join our Education Officer for a guided walk of the intertidal zone at L'Etacq, and an exploration of this fascinating habitat and the creatures that reside there. See what you can find... All equipment will be provided, advice on clothing and info on meeting point will be sent prior to the event start. Please ensure that children are accompanied by an adult. Family session is suitable for children aged 5-11 years, not suitable for younger children due to uneven terrain. Please note that tickets are only required for children (accompanying adults go free). Kindly Supported by Jersey Electricity.

**Time:** 1.30pm - 3.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Faulkner Fisheries car park

**Parking:** Faulkner Fisheries car park

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members; To book go to

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### WILDLIFE AND NATURE DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP WITH JOHN OVENDEN

Join wildlife photographer, John Ovenden, as he teaches practical techniques for capturing the natural world around you with your preferred digital camera. You can come with your phone camera, DSLR or compact camera, John will tailor his advice to suit your preferred means of photography. Don't miss this opportunity to learn from one of the best, well known for his beautiful and unique images of birdlife and nature's beauty here in Jersey. This workshop is for adults and ages 16 plus only.

**Time:** 2.00pm - 4.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Car Park opposite Kempt Tower

**Parking:** Car Park opposite Kempt Tower

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members; £10 for Non-Members

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# Thursday

## 29 May

### PURPLE DEW PLANT REMOVAL - CONSERVATION TASK DROP-IN

Our Education Officer, Erin Cowham, will be hosting a drop-in session for families and adults alike to join her in removing the Purple Dew Plant from our coastal strip by the Whitehouse and to learn about this rich habitat that houses several rare wildflower species. The Purple Dew Plant is an alien invader! This non-native plant species has found its way onto the fragile coastal strips of St. Ouen's Bay. If not removed, the plant will blanket the grass and sandy areas of the bay, suffocating the growth of Jersey's rich and diverse native species that would normally thrive in this area. No tools are necessary as we will be hand-pulling the plant from the sandy ground, but please do bring your own gloves if required. Kindly supported by Jersey Electricity.

**Time:** 10.00am - 11.30am

**Meeting Point:** La Don Hilton (The Whitehouse, St. Ouen)

**Parking:** Car Parks near La Don Hilton (The Whitehouse, St. Ouen)

**Duration:** 1.5 hours - drop in and help for as long as you like.

**Price:** Free

### WETLANDS WALK ON THE WILD SIDE, WITH LANDS MANAGER, JON PARKES

Join the Trust's Lands Manager, Jon Parkes, as he guides you through La Mare au Seigneur Site of Special Interest, giving insights about this ecological hot-spot and how it is managed for biodiversity. The walk will take you to corners of the reserve where public access is normally restricted, due to the sensitive habitats and protected wildlife, and also gives you the opportunity to ask any questions you might have directly to the people who manage the site. Bring a pair of wellies, if you have some. Much of the site is a wetland so soggy soaks are always a risk! Difficulty - Some uneven ground but only short distances (lots of talking and some walking). Restrictions - Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies/very small children. No dogs due to the sensitivity of the site.

**Time:** 10.00am - 12.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Sands car park

**Parking:** Sands car park

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;  
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### BIRDS, BOTANY & BUTTERFLIES WALK AT LES BLANCHES BANQUES

A stroll on the sand dunes with stops to look at the prolific wildlife. Neil and Alli (Birding Tours-Jersey) love nothing more than sharing their knowledge about all aspects of wildlife. We will be looking at the birds, wildflowers, butterflies, moths and other insects, which call this incredible landscape home. This is a fantastic opportunity to engage the whole family with all aspects of nature. Binoculars, bug pots and magnifying glasses will be available to borrow.

**Time:** 2.00pm - 4.00pm

**Meeting Point:** La Carrière car park

**Parking:** La Carrière car park

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

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### LES QUENNEVAIS - WILDFLOWER AND FOLKLORE WALK

A walk with local botanist Tina Hull looking at the wonderful range of wildflowers growing right on the edge of this very built up area. The walk will include plant identification, environmental interpretation and folklore associated with the plants we find. The walk isn't suitable for children or dogs. Dress for the weather, uneven terrain on track and sand dune. No 15 bus route. If parking in the sport centre's carpark display a yellow time disk.

**Time:** 6.00pm - 8.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Les Quennevais Sports Centre

**Parking:** Les Quennevais Sports Centre

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Bus Route:** 15

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members. To book go to  
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Friday  
30 May

### HIDDEN HERPTILES AT THE FRANCES LE SUEUR CENTRE

Families are invited to join our Education Officer, Erin, the Trust's local amphibian expert to explore the area surrounding the Centre and learn about our Island's cold-blooded critters. This will be followed by a pond-dipping session to discover the wildlife that resides under the water's surface and perhaps encounter some more amphibians. All equipment will be provided, advice on clothing and info on meeting point will be sent prior to event start, please ensure that children are accompanied by an adult. Suitable for children aged 5-11 years. Please note that tickets are only required for children (accompanying adults go free). Kindly Supported by Jersey Electricity

**Time:** 10.00am - 11.30am

**Meeting Point:** Frances Le Sueur Centre

**Parking:** Frances Le Sueur Centre

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members. To book go to

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### A ROCKPOOL RAMBLE JUST FOR ADULTS WITH THE NATIONAL TRUST FOR JERSEY'S ERIN COWHAM

Just for adults, join our Education Officer for a guided walk of the intertidal zone at L'Etacq, and an exploration of this fascinating habitat and the creatures that reside there. See what you can find... All equipment will be provided, advice on clothing and info on meeting point will be sent prior to the event start. Kindly Supported by Jersey Electricity

**Time:** 3.00pm - 4.30pm

**Meeting Point:**

Faulkner Fisheries car park

**Parking:** Faulkner Fisheries car park

**Duration:** 1.5 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

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### FORAGING FOR COLOUR WITH AMANDA BOND

Come and explore the woods for sources of natural colour to make inks and watercolours. You may be surprised at the plants, fungi and lichens that release vibrant colours. All materials sourced sustainably. Whether a beginner or someone who has dabbled with natural colour, all are welcome to join a ramble to discover the art of nature.

**Time:** 3.00pm - 5.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Fern Valley

**Parking:** Limited parking, so also recommend car-sharing, cycling or the no.5 bus to the Union Inn and walk down.

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members To book go to

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### BATTY NIGHT WALK

Discover the fascinating world of bats with the Trust's Conservation Officer, Louise Whale, on a short walk around St Ouen's Pond. You'll get to learn about some of the 19 species of bats that have been recorded in Jersey. Equipped with bat detectors, you should have the chance to hear their echolocation calls and spot them in flight. Restrictions: Not suitable for wheelchairs or buggies, and no dogs due to the sensitivity of the site. Open to any age.

**Time:** 8.15pm - 9.30pm

**Meeting Point:** Sands Car Park, St. Ouen

**Parking:** Sands Car Park, St. Ouen

**Duration:** 1.25 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members To book go to

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# Saturday

## 31 May

### SEABIRD TRAIL & PUFFIN WATCH WITH CRISTINA SELLARES AND NEIL & ALLI SINGLETON

Join Neil and Alli from Jersey Birding Tours, and Cristina Sellares of the National Trust and Birds on the Edge, as they take you on a puffin watch and seabird trail at Plémont. Binoculars will be provided but please also feel free to bring your own. This is a drop-in event, come at any point within the two hours and join in.

**Time:** 10.00am - 12.00pm (drop in at any time, stay for as long as you like)

**Meeting Point:**

Plémont puffins sculpture

**Parking:** Plémont car park

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members. To book go to

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### FOREST THERAPY WANDER WITH AMANDA BOND

A guided Forest Therapy walk to immerse yourself in the natural beauty of woodlands. Including meditative solo activities to experience nature through your senses. A bodyful experience to enhance your connection with the living world around you. Whether you seek relaxation, inner peace, or simply a break from the digital world, a Forest Therapy wander is the perfect opportunity to recharge.

**Time:** 3.00pm - 5.00pm

**Meeting Point:** The Millennium Stone, Le Sentier des Moulins, Waterwork's Valley.

**Parking:** Car park at the start of Le Sentier des Moulins footpath.

**Bus Route:** 22

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Free for Members;

£10 for Non-Members. To book go to

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### BLUE MARINE & BOULEY BAY DIVE CENTRE SNORKEL TRAIL (MEMBERS ONLY)

Led by the experienced instructors and guides at Bouley Bay Dive Centre (BBDC), this snorkel tour and lesson will take you around the stunning snorkel trails at one of these idyllic bays.

Beneath our waves, you can find a wealth of marine life, with hundreds of different species living around rocky reefs, boulders and rocky outcrops. Immerse yourself among seaweed and kelp that form an underwater forest, sheltering many marine species.

This experience will include:

- An explanation of the equipment used, breathing techniques and positioning in the water
- A guided tour to spot marine life
- Equipment: a mask and snorkel, fins, and a wetsuit
- A 10 minute talk by Blue Marine Foundation staff

(Please note, it will be maximum 30 people. Members only.)

**Time:** 3.00pm - 5.00pm

**Meeting Point:** Bouley Bay Dive Centre

**Parking:** Bouley Bay

**Duration:** 2 hours

**Price:** Members only. £28 per person (discounted from the usual £40!)

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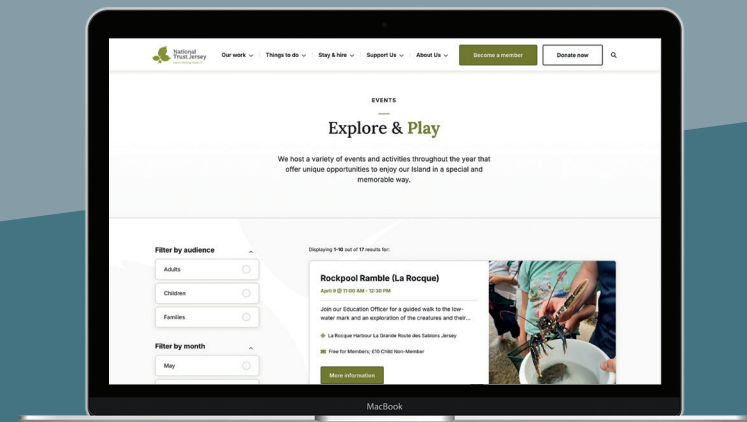




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How to book



To book your place on any of the walks, either as a member or as a non-member/visitor, please go to:

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# A Celebration of our Island's Natural Beauty.

A commitment to protecting it for the future.

Spanning over 2,000 hectares, the Jersey National Park includes farmland, wetlands, woodlands and coastline – places that hold meaning for all who visit. It's where land meets sea, and where Islanders and visitors alike come to explore, reflect and reconnect. Caring for the Park goes beyond conservation. It's about collaboration, community, culture, and creating a future that's wilder, richer, and more rooted in nature.

In partnership with the National Trust for Jersey, we proudly support the #LoveNature Festival, a shared effort to deepen our connection with the landscapes that shape us.



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