



Wildlife Tours & Education

Day Tours Around Norfolk

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Birders Day Tour

Pick up from your home or accommodation in Norfolk and a tour designed to seek out the special birds of the region. Hot drinks and all transport included.
£65



Photographing Wildlife Day

Pick up from your home or accommodation in Norfolk this is a tour with the digital photographer in mind. Expert tuition on camera techniques as well as putting you in front of wildlife. Hot drinks and all transport included. Check out our own **Wildcatch Photography** site.
<https://wildcatchphotography.zenfolio.com/>
£75



The Norfolk Safari

Pick up from your home or accommodation in Norfolk for a tour of all manner of wildlife in and around Norfolk during the day. Hot drinks and all transport included.
As seen on BBC – Look East
£69

Special Day Tours

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Sun 21st Sept 2025

Stone Curlew Day: A visit to South Norfolk to find pre migratory gatherings of Stone Curlews. It is sometimes possible to see these birds in large numbers as they flock after breeding. Meet at West Runton or on route.

£65 **TOUR FULL**

Sun 19th Oct 2025

Norfolk Coast Migration Day: A visit to several sites along the Norfolk coast looking for migrant birds heading south for the winter. Meet at West Runton.

£65

Sun 26th Oct 2025

Minsmere Migration Day: A day seeking out Autumn migrant birds. Migration will be well underway, and we hope to find something special. Meet at West Runton or pick up on route.

£75 if meeting in West Runton £65 if meeting at Minsmere.

Mon 3rd Nov 2025

Norfolk Coast Migration Day: A visit to several sites along the Norfolk coast looking for migrant birds heading south for the winter. Meet at West Runton.

£65

Sat 8th Nov 2025

Photographing Fungi & Slime Mould Day: A day at a couple of coastal sites seeking and photographing fungi. We will have a fungi expert with us during the day and tuition on macro photography will be available – meet in Sheringham:

£65

Sun 9th Nov 2025

RSPB Frampton Day: The Lincolnshire RSPB Reserve at Frampton is rapidly gaining a reputation of a reserve where both birds and birdwatchers want to be. We hope to see several migrant bird species when we spend a day at the reserve. Meet at West Runton or on route.

£75

Sun 7th Dec 2025

Winter Visitors Day: A day along the Norfolk coast looking for Winter Visitors – meet in West Runton.
£65



Snow Bunting and Shorelark – regular but decreasing Winter visitors



Sun 8th Feb 2026

Abberton Day: A visit to Abberton Reservoir in Essex to look for winter visiting birds.
£75 or £65 if meeting at Abberton.

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Sat 14th Feb 2026

Breckland Day: A visit to the Breckland area of Norfolk to look for the special birds of this special habitat including Goshawk, Woodlark, Hawfinch and Firecrest
£65

Sun 15th Feb 2026

Holkham Day: A visit to the Holkham Estate to look for winter visiting birds such as Snow Bunting and Shorelarks.
£65

Sat 21st Feb 2026

A Winter Wildlife Walk at Cley (Part of Norwich Science Week): A walk around Cley NWT Reserve to find and watch the avian visitors that come to our shores each winter. We will discuss migration and why Cley has become such a 'hotspot' to watch birds. Booking is direct with Carl by sending an email to carl@wildlifetoursandeducation.co.uk
£15

Sat 28th Feb 2026

Photographing Owls Day: A visit to a central Norfolk site to find, watch and photograph Short eared and Barn Owls .
£75

Sat 14th Mar 2026

Otter Day: A visit to a Suffolk river system to find, watch and photograph Otters
£75

Sun 15th Mar 2026

Heathland Birding Day: A visit to various sites in Norfolk looking for Goshawk, Dartford Warblers and Woodlarks
£65

Thurs 23rd Apr 2026

Lakenheath Day: A visit to Lakenheath RSPB Reserve and area to look for early spring visitors.
£75 or £65 if meeting at Lakenheath

Sun 26th Apr 2026

Heathland Birding Day: A visit to various sites in Norfolk looking for Goshawk, Dartford Warblers and Woodlarks
£65

Fri 1st May 2026

Minsmere Day: A visit to Minsmere RSPB Reserve and area to look for early spring visitors.
£75 or £65 if meeting at Minsmere

Sun 3rd May 2026

Essex Birding Day: A visit to Abberton and Fingeringhoe Wick in Essex to look for Spring migrants including Nightingale
£75 or £65 if meeting in Essex

Weds 6th May 2026

Frampton RSPB Day: A visit to Frampton and one of the RSPB's upcoming and improving reserves to look for early spring visitors.
£75 or £65 if meeting at Frampton

Fri 29th May 2026

Evening Badger Watch: A visit to a central Norfolk Badger Sett
£40

Sun 7th June 2026

A Walk along Devil's Dyke: A walk along Devil's Dyke in Cambridgeshire/Suffolk to find and see some special butterflies and Orchids including Lizard Orchids
£65 or £60 if meeting on site

Tues 9th June 2026

Black-necked Grebe Day: A visit to Yorkshire to see Black-necked Grebes in summer plumage.
£85

Fri 12th June 2026

Mammal Afternoon and Evening: A visit to the coast for marine mammals and then the broads for various species of deer; finishing with an evening visit to a badger sett
£65

Sun 14th June 2026

Large Heath Day: Travelling into Lincolnshire to the most Southerly site in the UK for this rare and iconic butterfly.
£65



The Large Heath – a difficult butterfly to see

Sun 21st June 2026

Swallowtail Day: A visit to the Norfolk Broads to find and watch Swallowtail Butterflies. Meet at West Runton.
£65

Sun 12th July 2026

Nightjar Evening: A visit to a local heath to look for and watch Nightjars.
£40

Sun 26th July 2026

Wader Day: A tour along the North Norfolk coast finding and watching the Autumn wader passage. We'll examine waders in detail and how to identify them.
£65

Sun 2nd August 2026

Minsmere Day: A visit to Minsmere RSPB Reserve and area to look for early Autumn passage migrants.
£75 or £65 if meeting at Minsmere

Sun 9th August 2026

Frampton Day: A visit to Frampton RSPB Reserve and area to look for passage waders.
£75 or £65 if meeting at Frampton

Sun 20th September 2026

Stone Curlew Day: A visit to Breckland to look for the enigmatic Stone Curlew flocks that gather prior to their migration South.
£75

Sun 18th October 2026

Minsmere Day: A visit to Minsmere RSPB Reserve and area to look for Autumn migrants
£75 or £65 if meeting at Minsmere

Sun 1st November 2026

Norfolk Migration Day: A tour along the North Norfolk Coast to look for Autumn migrants
£65

Sat 5th December 2026

Winter Visitors Day: A tour along the Norfolk coast to look for Winter Visitors
£65

Longer Tours

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A full itinerary for each longer tour, containing all the information you will need to know, is available on the website. www.wildlifetoursandeducation.co.uk



Yorkshire Birds 5 days **8th to 12th September 2025**. This is a visit to some of the coastal and inland sites of the UK's largest County. We will hope to find some early autumn migrants at iconic places such as Spurn, Flamborough and Blacktoft Sands
£1778 **TOUR FULL**



Bird Watching on the Isles of Scilly 8 days **2nd to 9th October 2025**. This is a tour to the beautiful Isles of Scilly searching for rare as well as common migrant birds
£2378 **TOUR FULL**



Red eyed Vireo – a regular Autumn visitor to the Isles of Scilly



Scottish Birders Week 7 days **9th to 15th April 2026** watching the specialities of the region. Based in Speyside we will explore the Highlands and coastal region. Eagles to Grouse species are all on the agenda
£1959 **TOUR FULL**



Birders Tour to Mull 8 days **7th to 14th May 2026** watching the specialities of the island. Both our Eagles and Corncrake are in our sights as well as a boat trip for seabirds and cetaceans
£2996 **TOUR FULL**



Bird Watching on the Isles of Scilly 8 days **8th to 15th October 2026**. This is a tour to the beautiful Isles of Scilly searching for rare as well as common migrant birds
£2837

Events hosted by Carl organised by other institutions

Due to ill health all tours are now cancelled

Carl is getting asked more frequently about events where he is talking, presenting, running workshops or walks with other organisations; so he thought he'd list a few down here along with a link to where you can get more information and make bookings.

6th September 2025 – A Wildlife Walk and Big Picture Tour

A wildlife walk in the morning and a big picture tour in the afternoon – choose one or both at Wild Ken Hill in West Norfolk. <https://wildkenhill.co.uk/guided-tours/>

13th September 2025 – A Wildlife Walk and Big Picture Tour

A wildlife walk in the morning and a big picture tour in the afternoon – choose one or both at Wild Ken Hill in West Norfolk. <https://wildkenhill.co.uk/guided-tours/>

27th September 2025 – A Big Picture Tour

A big picture tour in both the morning and afternoon – at Wild Ken Hill in West Norfolk. <https://wildkenhill.co.uk/guided-tours/>

28th September 2025 – Autumn Migration

A walk offered by Greenwings Wildlife Holidays looking at migrating birds
<https://greenwings.co/our-holidays/british-wildlife-breaks/north-norfolk-coast-autumn-bird-migration/>

10th to 12th October 2025 – Autumn Migration

A bird watching course with two visits off site in a minibus and an illustrated talk. Accommodation at Flatford Mill of Constable fame run by the Field Studies Council.
<https://www.field-studies-council.org/courses-and-experiences/static-courses/birdwatching-autumn-migration/>

18th October 2025 – North Norfolk Coast Autumn Migration

A walk offered by Greenwings holidays looking at migrating birds.
<https://greenwings.co/our-holidays/british-wildlife-breaks/north-norfolk-coast-autumn-bird-migration-18th-oct-2025/>

23rd October 2025 – Red Data Species

An illustrated presentation about what constitutes a red data species and what it means. <https://www.norfolkwildlifetrust.org.uk/events/2025-10-23-red-data-species-carl-chapman>

28th to 30th October 2025 - Wildlife Photography Workshop

Join us for this very exciting photography retreat at West Lexham in West Norfolk. <https://westlexham.org/events/finding-photographing-birds-wildlife/>

1st and 2nd November 2025 – Marine Mammals

A workshop offered by The Field Studies Council at Cley Village Hall examining all aspects of cetaceans and pinnipeds.

<https://www.field-studies-council.org/courses-and-experiences/static-courses/marine-mammals/>

9th December 2025

An illustrated talk about the book Carl recently published organised by the NNNS 'Norfolk's Whales and Whaling'

NOT YET ONLINE

28th January 2026 – Winter Bird Calls

An illustrated talk followed by an afternoon walk where we learn and identify the calls of the birds on the marshes. At NWT Cley

NOT YET ONLINE

5th February 2026 – How the Birds came to Cley

An illustrated talk at NWT Cley telling the story of how Cley became so famous for its birdlife and discussing some of the interesting characters that help develop Cley Marshes into what it is today.

NOT YET ONLINE

11th to 13th February 2026 – Photographic Workshop

A workshop hosted by West Lexham with accommodation and an illustrated talk covering all aspects of photography followed by two full days in the field.

NOT YET ONLINE

16th to 18th February 2026 – Winter Visitors

A bird watching course with two visits off site in a minibus and an illustrated talk.

Accommodation at Flatford Mill of Constable fame run by the Field Studies Council.

NOT YET ONLINE

13th March 2026 – Advanced Birding. A Course over 4 weeks

A bird watching course over 4 weeks on 13th March, 20th March, 27th March and 3rd April 2026. Covering all aspects of birdwatching with illustrated talks and visits to sites on the Norfolk coast

NOT YET ONLINE

19th March 2026 – Talk at Wensum Valley Bird Watching Society

An evening illustrated talk at Great Witchingham Village hall.

NOT YET ONLINE

17th to 19th April 2026 – Bird Identification for Ecological Consultants

A Workshop designed to give continuing Professional Development to anyone doing Bird Surveys run by the Field Studies Council at Flatford Mill in Suffolk.

NOT YET ONLINE

2nd May 2026 – A Comparison of Woodland and Marshland Birdsong

An NWT Workshop with a walk around Cley in the morning with a visit to Sheringham Park in the afternoon to compare and identify the various bird songs.
NOT YET ONLINE

25th to 27th May 2026 – Spring Arrivals

A bird watching course with two visits off site in a minibus and an illustrated talk.
Accommodation at Flatford Mill of Constable fame run by the Field Studies Council.
NOT YET ONLINE

28th May 2026 – Birds by Habitat

An illustrated talk at Cley NWT exploring how birds are linked to their habitats.
NOT YET ONLINE

3rd June 2026 – Not the Dawn Chorus

An illustrated talk at NWT Cley in the morning about the Spring birds likely to be seen at Cley in the morning and a walk around Cley in the afternoon with an emphasis on calls and songs.
NOT YET ONLINE

17th June 2026 – Wildlife of the Night

An NWT evening walk around a nearby heath specifically looking and listening for Nightjars
NOT YET ONLINE

4th July 2026 – Wildlife of the Night

An NWT evening walk around a nearby heath specifically looking and listening for Nightjars
NOT YET ONLINE

19th July 2026 – Norfolk Butterflies

A tour offered by Greenwings Wildlife Holidays looking at Norfolk's Butterflies
NOT YET ONLINE

23rd July 2026 – Norfolk Butterflies now and in the future

An NWT illustrated talk examining the breeding butterflies of Norfolk and where to find them as well as what to expect in the future.
NOT YET ONLINE

6th August 2026 – Pinnipeds of the Norfolk Coast

An NWT workshop with an illustrated talk in the morning all about the seals of the Norfolk coast and a sea watch in the afternoon to find and watch seals
NOT YET ONLINE

10th to 12th August 2026 – Wader Migration

A bird watching course with two visits off site in a minibus and an illustrated talk.
Accommodation at Flatford Mill of Constable fame run by the Field Studies Council.
NOT YET ONLINE

26th August 2026 – Wader Migration

An NWT workshop discussing what waders occur at Cley and how to identify them and a walk around the reserve in the afternoon putting into practice what we have learnt.

NOT YET ONLINE

10th September 2026 – Victorian Wildlife; how Australian wildlife is integrated into developments

An NWT illustrated presentation at Cley discovering some of the very different and unique wildlife of the state of Victoria in Australia; and how habitat to support that wildlife is integrated into housing developments.

NOT YET ONLINE

22nd October 2026 – The Whale Detective

An NWT illustrated presentation about the writing of the book 'Norfolk's Whales and Whaling' and the fascinating back stories uncovered.

NOT YET ONLINE

23rd to 25th October 2026 – Autumn Migration

A bird watching course with two visits off site in a minibus and an illustrated talk.

Accommodation at Flatford Mill of Constable fame run by the Field Studies Council.

NOT YET ONLINE

18th November 2026 – Whales and Dolphins of Norfolk

An NWT illustrated talk in the morning covering the cetaceans that have occurred in Norfolk and their physiology, biology and what is likely to occur in the future. In the afternoon we will sea watch to see if we can see any cetaceans.

NOT YET ONLINE

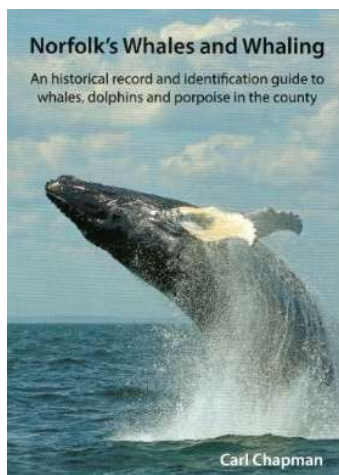
10th December 2026 – The Ten Best Wildlife Sites in the World

An NWT illustrated presentation giving a personal view of the best places to visit for wildlife in the world ... including Norfolk.

NOT YET ONLINE

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Norfolk's Whales and Whaling by Carl Chapman

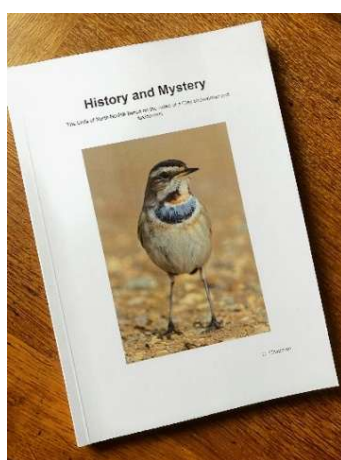


After 13 years of research this book has been published. Distributed to Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society (NNNS) members free of charge; if you'd like to purchase a copy, please go to this link on the NNNS Website. All proceeds go to the NNNS Charity.

<https://norfolknaturalists.org.uk/wp/shop/#op21>

History and Mystery by Carl Chapman

When I was gifted a copy of Witherby's 'A Hand List of British Birds' for the Norfolk and Norwich Naturalists' Society research library, I initially didn't realise its significance. The book published in 1912 was the personal copy of Harry Pashley, a taxidermist that lived in Cley next the Sea on the North Norfolk coast during the late 19th and early 20th Century. Stitched into the binding were Harry's own personal notes.



'History and Mystery' is a 131pp transcript of those notes coupled with additional research and over 70 photographs of birds seen in north Norfolk.

The notes depict a different time before today's excellent optics when birdwatching was carried out with a gun. This led to the phrase 'what is hit is history, what is missed is mystery'. The history of why Cley and the Norfolk coast became so good for birdwatching is contained within its pages.

The price of £18 includes packaging and 2nd class postage within the UK. £15 collection.

Order your copy at <https://wildlifetoursandeducation.co.uk/book-orders>