

# HOW DO I SIGN UP?

If you're interested in becoming a South Downs Volunteer Ranger please e-mail us on [vrs@southdowns.gov.uk](mailto:vrs@southdowns.gov.uk) or call 01730 819327 for more information.

To keep up to date on the work of our volunteers and SDNPA rangers follow us on twitter [@Ranger\\_sdnpa](https://twitter.com/Ranger_sdnpa) or visit [southdowns.gov.uk/volunteering](https://southdowns.gov.uk/volunteering) for a list of our current volunteering opportunities.

“The South Downs Volunteers always bring with them a diversity of skills and experience and, most importantly, an abundance of enthusiasm and dedication for looking after countryside in the South Downs National Park.”

Susanne Stoneman – Hampshire County Council  
Countryside Ranger



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# SOUTH DOWNS NATIONAL PARK

From rolling hills to bustling market towns, the South Downs National Park's landscapes cover 1,600km<sup>2</sup> of breathtaking views, hidden gems and quintessentially English scenery. A rich tapestry of wildlife, landscapes, tranquillity and visitor attractions, weave together a story of people and place in harmony.



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# SOUTH DOWNS VOLUNTEER RANGER SERVICE

Beautiful countryside,  
new skills, new friends





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The South Downs Volunteer Ranger Service is a voluntary organisation with over 500 members working in partnership with the South Downs National Park Authority, looking after and helping to conserve the special qualities of the South Downs.

## OPPORTUNITIES

The main activities are practical conservation and access improvement work. However, the Volunteer Ranger Service also undertakes a wide variety of other work, for example, exploring the heritage of the National Park, working alongside National Park staff at public events and a variety of office based projects.

## BE PREPARED

For outdoor tasks simply dress appropriately for the weather, wear sturdy footwear and bring some lunch! Whatever role you choose, all required protective clothing and equipment will be provided.

“I come home healthily tired, and filled with a sense of achievement.”  
Isabel, 28, Brighton

“I live and work in town so it’s nice to get out into the countryside in my free time.” Gary, 36, Portsmouth

“Who said retirement was for slowing down, I now get more done in the great outdoors, and don’t go to meetings!”  
Russell, 67, Clanfield

“Restoring dew ponds, coppicing in ancient woodlands, surveying beaches. Worthwhile work, fantastic sites, so much variety and so much fun.”  
James, 20, Eastbourne

# BECOME A SOUTH DOWNS VOLUNTEER RANGER AND YOU COULD...



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...**Restore** vitally important heathland and chalk downland across the South Downs



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...**Monitor** water voles on the River Meon, Hampshire



...**Support** staff with research and administration for a variety of projects



...**Make** and install barn owl boxes to help this beautiful bird



...**Lay** hedges in the rolling downland of East Sussex



...**Help** out on the South Downs National Park event stands



...**Fix** gates and signs on the South Downs Way