



**YOUR
SHORE
AWARD**

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**Cornwall
Wildlife Trust**



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Welcome to the Your Shore Award

Name:

Email:

(Please print in CAPITAL LETTERS)

Cornwall Wildlife Trust have designed this award to give you the freedom to explore your interests, learn more about the natural world and gain valuable skills to shape your future!



Cornwall has a thriving network of dedicated and skilled local marine volunteer groups across the county called the Your Shore Network. Together, these groups share data, ideas and resources to become a voice for nature and protect our coast.

Find your local Your Shore Network group for opportunities in your area to get involved and add to your award!

For more information about the Network or Award see the Cornwall Wildlife Trust website.



SCAN ME

How to complete the award

All ages and abilities can complete this Award, on your own or with a group and in as little as a dedicated week or over several months.

Each challenge has tips about finding opportunities, you just need to search for available courses or activities and get involved!

If you are taking part in an organised activity, make sure to ask an organiser to sign off your timesheet. If it's something you are doing in your own time you can ask your local Wildlife Trust officer, guardian, volunteer group leader, teacher, youth worker or support worker.



When you have completed the booklet email a scan or photo of all 8 pages that you have written on to yourshore@cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk with your name and address, and we will send you your certificate and badge!

We'd love to hear about your journey using the email above, or on social media by tagging [@yourshorenetwork](https://twitter.com/yourshorenetwork) [@heritagefunduk](https://twitter.com/heritagefunduk) [#tacklingtheemergensea](https://twitter.com/tacklingtheemergensea)

Skill Up!

Take part in at least 2 learning sessions to increase your skills and knowledge. These can be online or in person.

Check out these ideas

Get to know the incredible local marine environment and creatures. You can look for sessions run by the Wildlife Trust or Your Shore marine groups on their website or social media, or search for specific interests on Eventbrite.



Go to an upcycling class, or learn about sustainability, ecology or campaigning with an environmental organisation online such as FutureLearn, EDX or Alison.

Learn about beach safety or tides with a local lifesaving group or RNLI

Check Eventbrite, Wildlife Trusts or BSAC websites for Learn to Snorkel Sessions

Train as a volunteer for the Marine Standings network of Cornwall Wildlife Trust, or Marine Medic for BDMLR (aged 18+)



Skill Up reflections

Session 1 description:

Date: / /

Signed off:

What did you learn?

How will you use this in the future?

Skill Up reflections

Session 2 description:

Date: / /

Signed off:

What did you learn?

How will you use this in the future?

Citizen scientist!

Citizen Scientists are interested people who collect information about our natural world for organisations to use in their research to solve real world problems. You can search for an organised event or use apps and websites to take part when you want to!

Complete at least 4 hours of information collecting

Check out

LOCAL PROJECTS

- *Shoresearch (rockpools and rocky shores)*
- *Seaquest Southwest (regular watches of wildlife out at sea)*
- *Local Your Shore marine group events (such as Bio Blitz's and beach surveys)*

WEBSITES

- *Local Wildlife Trust*
- *Natural History Museum Citizen Science Page*
- *Zooniverse.org.*

APPS

- *Sharks Trust for Shark eggs*
- *BirdNET for bird song*
- *eBird for bird sightings*
- *Orks for any Cornish or Scilly Isles sightings*

#make your sightings count



Citizen Science Experience

Activity:

Signed off:

Date: / /

Role/Organisation:

Time taken:

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Take Action!

Volunteering to protect nature...

Take part in at least 4 hours volunteering

This might include a mixture of beach cleans or litter picks, joining a youth forum or contacting a local MP, invasive species control, or habitat restoration such as tree planting.



Volunteering action log

Activity:

Signed off:

Date: / /

Role/Organisation:

Time taken:

Activity:

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**Create your own
event**

Take the lead!

**Big or small, every action makes a difference.
On your own or with others, create an event such
as a fundraiser, exhibition, beach clean or wildlife
workshop.**

**The event could be in your school, with your family
or with a local group.**

Remember

**@yourshorenetwork
@heritagefunduk and
#tacklingtheemergensea
when posting
on social media.**

Event Planning

What are you going to do?

Write down the what, when, where, why and with whom...

How are you going to do it?

Make a list of tasks thinking about areas such as equipment needed, advertisement and health and safety requirements.

**Good
luck!**



Event Debrief

How did it go?

How many people took part, what were the highlights, did anyone give feedback?

How did you feel about taking the lead and did you learn anything?

Your Wild Pledge

To complete your award, write down a promise you want to make to help make the world a wilder place!



Have you finished your award?

When all your tasks and boxes are complete email yourshore@cornwallwildlifetrust.org.uk with your name, email, postal address and photos or scans of the 8 pages you have filled out and we will send you your certificate and badge!

*Congratulations and thank you
for taking a stand for nature!
YOU ARE AMAZING!!!*

We'd love to hear all about your journey and share photos so please do tag us if posting on social media

[@yourshorenetwork](#)

[@heritagefunduk](#)

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or email us at

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