

Forest of Marston Vale Trust

Ranger

Starting salary £25,000-£27,000 depending on experience

Permanent, Full-time position (37.5 hrs/wk)

The Forest of Marston Vale Trust is the charity creating the Forest of Marston Vale between Bedford and Milton Keynes. Since the early 1990's, we've been planting trees to transform the landscape and make the Marston Vale a thriving place to live, work and play. We've already planted over 2 million trees to start creating the Forest, increasing tree cover from 3% to 16.9%. We aim to have trees covering 30% of the 61 square mile Forest area.

We're looking for an enthusiastic, driven and passionate individual to join our Ranger team. They'll need to carry out effective site management and enhancement of the Trust's estate of woodlands, wetlands and grasslands, and actively engage and enthuse visitors, improving the quality of these sites for both people and wildlife. They'll help to manage the award-winning Millennium Country Park (225ha), our flagship site which receives around 450,000 visits per annum, and the Trust's wider estate of community woodlands (400ha) within the Forest of Marston Vale area.

The successful candidate will be experienced in countryside/conservation management, leading volunteers and practical tasks. They'll be a resourceful self-starter with drive, determination and initiative; a natural team player, with excellent communication and organisational skills. Microsoft Office skills are essential, as is a valid driving licence, plus practical countryside/conservation management skills.

*We offer* a starting salary of £25,000-£27,000 depending on experience and 33 days holiday (incl. Bank/Public Holidays) plus pension. The post is based at the Forest Centre & Millennium Country Park, Marston Moretaine, Bedfordshire. This is a permanent, full-time position (37.5 hrs/wk) including regular weekend and Bank/Public Holiday working, on a rota basis, as part of the Ranger Team.

Closing Date: 26/08/2025 Location: Marston Moretaine, Bedfordshire, MK43 0PR

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