



Beaver - Ecology and Conservation

Lifton, Devon

Tutor: Derek Gow

A 1 day course giving participants the skills to carry out beaver surveys and gain a better understanding of their behaviour, ecology and conservation. The course will also cover reintroductions, and the impact that beavers can have on biodiversity.

Details

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Eurasian beavers were once widespread in England but were hunted to extinction by the 16th century for their fur, meat and scent glands. However, they are now slowly returning to the UK, with reintroductions in Scotland and the establishment of a small population in Devon (from an escape or possibly an unsanctioned release). As such, it is extremely important to understand the ecology of this species and in particular the impact that reintroductions have on other biodiversity.

The course will cover the following topics:

- Beaver biology, ecology and field signs
- The history of beavers in Britain
- Legal status of beavers
- Beaver reintroductions and conservation case studies
- The impact of beavers on biodiversity

This workshop will be suitable for beginners and improvers alike and may include the opportunity to observe a captive beaver.

What to bring

- Wellies
- Lunch, water and snacks
- Notebook/Clipboard

Please inform us of any medical requirements/conditions we should be aware of prior to the course

Any problems on the day please call Derek Gow on 01409 211578 or Dominic Price on 07968 786390.

Schedule

10.30 Arrival and Welcome

12.30 Lunch

16.00 Departure

Directions

Upcott Grange
Broadwoodwider
Lifton
Devon
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Google map [here](#)

There is a range of local accommodation nearby, or camping is available on the site for a small fee, please contact us for more details.

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