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Seasonal highlights at **The Wolseley Centre**

Spring

As the weather warms up, listen out for chiffchaffs, one of the first migrant songbirds to arrive in spring.

Wildflowers will also be blooming, such as bluebells, daffodils, primroses and toadflax. Snake's head fritillary, an unusual purple bell-like flower, can often be seen at the far end of Badger's Woodland.

Insects will also start to make an appearance. Hoverflies and honey bees can be seen in sheltered spots and the butterflies that hibernate in Britain 💰 over winter, such as brimstones and peacocks, will start foraging for nectar.

Autumn

Look out for artist's bracket fungus on dead tree trunks, search for sulphur tuft with its tan cap and gills underneath, or discover fly agaric, the most recognisable toadstool with its red cap and white spots.

Many of the smaller birds form into mixed flocks to hunt for food at this time of year. This gives them increased safety in numbers from predators. Flocks often include several types of tits and sometimes treecreepers and goldcrests. Winter migrant thrushes such as fieldfares and redwings will also start arriving.

Late flying insects such as migrant hawker and common darter dragonflies can also be seen around the wet meadow on mild days, even as late as November.

Discover wildlife all year round

Spring butterflies will be joined by other

As the weather continues to get warmer, look for dragonflies and damselflies. Large red damselflies are usually one of the first to be seen. You should also be able to spot

broad-bodied chasers in the wet meadow,

Also look out for our resident kingfishers

when you're near the river or lakes. Listenin

for a high pitch whistle can alert you to look

Look out for goosanders, these sleek saw-

billed fish-eating ducks can be seen diving for prey in the River Trent. Discover male

tufted ducks that are black and white with

a tuft of hair, or little grebes diving for

Keep an eye out for siskins too, and if

you're very lucky you could see an otter

In the first few months of the year, check

Badger's Woodland for the first signs

of spring, such as the green leaf tips of

insects, larvae and small fish.

fishing in the pools and river.

damselflies near the lakes.

banded demoiselles along the river and azure

species including green-veined white, speckled wood and comma, amongst many others, as well as migrants from Europe su

Summer

as red admirals.

Winter

snowdrops.

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acres of land.





Staffordshire Wildlife Trust is the county's leading nature conservation charity and its aim is to protect and enhance the wildlife and wild places of Staffordshire and promote understanding, enjoyment and involvement in the natural world. We have the support of 15,000 members and manage over 3,500

You can help the Trust carry out vital conservation work and protect Staffordshire's wildlife by becoming a member. To join, fill out the form on this leaflet, call us on 01889 880100, email info@staffs-wildlife.org.uk or visit www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk

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Discover nature at The Wolseley Centre



Explore wildlife with the family

Looking after Staffordshire's wildlife

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Welcome to The Wolseley Centre

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust's HO, the Wolselev Centre, is surrounded by 26 acres of wildlife-friendly grounds that are completely free to explore.

Perfect for a family outing or a relaxing wander surrounded by nature, the centre has something for all ages. Our network of accessible footpaths are ideal for everyone, including pushchairs, wheelchairs, and little feet, and we also welcome dogs on leads.

Nature lovers can wander around the different wildlife habitats. Look for the bright blue flash of kingfishers as you stroll alongside the river and colourful dragonflies darting across pools and lakeside edges.

Families can embark on a nature trail, or run, jump, climb and splash on the natural play features around the grounds.

Inside the visitor centre you'll find a gift shop selling homeware, toys, books, wildlife goods and cards. There are indoor and outdoor seating areas where you can enjoy cold drinks and snacks including sandwiches, plus hot drinks from our drinks machine.

VISITOR CENTRE OPENING TIMES: Summer: weekdays 9am - 5pm, weekends 10am - 5pm. Winter: weekdays 10am - 4pm, weekends 10am - 4pm. Opening times vary over Christmas holiday - see website or call beforehand.

Nature-themed activities The Trust encourages children and visitors to discover the natural world through a variety of events. From bug hunting and pond-dipping to outdoor survival skills and nature-themed crafts, there is something for everyone.



Natural sculptures As you explore, look for the many sculptures and willow creations around the grounds and in the leafy undergrowth. Seek out the giant willow badger and our otter tree carving.



Wildlife habitats

and species-rich grassland,

that are used by a wide

population of bats.

Gift shop

A friendly and welcoming visitor centre and gift shop selling nature-inspired books toys, homeware, clothing, cards, bird food and feeders The centre also sells hot and cold drinks and cold snacks.





Conference centre rooms with flexible room layouts for up to 60 delegates.

The Boardwalk

A popular raised walkway that weaves above tranguil pools, bubbling streams and marshland. The boardwalk will bring you up close to water-loving wildlife. Look out for water birds, fish and kingfishers.

Facilities

P Car park ۵ Refreshments available Gift shop

Æ Picnic benches

Bird hide

00 Toilets and baby change

GARDEN

CENTRE

DRAGONFLY POOL



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Map symbols

- Steps
- Fence
- ----- Main footpath flat terrain
- Secondary footpath uneven terrain. can be hilly
- Boardwalk



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