

# **Rewilding Training Tourism**

Rewilding Training Tourism is a training programme focused on developing and upskilling the entrepreneurial, guiding and hospitality segment of Europe's nature tourism sector. Set up by Rewilding Europe, it aims to professionalise and scale up nature-based tourism in Europe. The Rewilding Training Tourism programme comprises three separate stages, with each of these including an assessment and a "Rewilding certificate" for participants. It is designed for guides, hospitality and tourism entrepreneurs, and other tourism professionals in and outside rewilding areas. Providing comprehensive rewilding and tourism training, it incorporates Rewilding Europe's best practices.

# Rewilding Training Tourism Stages 2022



# STAGE 1 ONLINE TRAINING AND SELECTION

A series of five webinar training presentations for all candidates, including an introduction to nature-based tourism, rewilding, hospitality, engaging nature and local partnerships across diverse landscapes, and nature-based economies.



STAGE 2
NATURE-BASED TOURISM
IN-FIELD TRAINING

A five day in-field training programme for a maximum of 8 participants, focused on nature based tourism, enterprise, interpretive guiding and hospitality expertise. Bringing tourism professionals together to learn and train in different environments across rewilding areas.



STAGE 3
HIGH-TOUCH SERVICE AND
FURTHER TRAINING FOR
HIGHLY QUALIFIED GUIDES

The 3<sup>rd</sup> stage of this comprehensive training programme embodies the latest knowledge, experience and expertise on nature based economies and entrepreneurship. You will develop a broad range of skills in rewilding enterprise, nature based tourism and sustainable business development.







# Rewilding Training Tourism **STAGE 1**

# Dates and prices for Stage 1: November 2022

#### Webinar dates and times:

- 1. Wednesday 2 November 2022 from 10.00 till 12.00 CEST
- 2. Wednesday 9 November 2022 from 10.00 till 12.00 CEST
- 3. Wednesday 16 November 2022 from 10.00 till 12.00 CEST
- 4. Wednesday 23 November 2022 from 10.00 till 12.00 CEST
- 5. Wednesday 30 November 2022 from 10.00 till 12.00 CEST

#### Price:

Stage 1 of the Rewilding Training Tourism programme costs €235,- per person (ex VAT). This includes five webinars, homework, assessments and examinations.

Those who pass will receive a Rewilding Training Tourism certificate and can elect to move on to Stage 2 Field Training.

The Stage 1 Webinars will be presented by Simon Collier and several rewilding specialists from Rewilding Europe.

# Benefits for you and your business

- Receive comprehensive rewilding training incorporating rewilding best practices;
- Build broad spectrum skills in nature based tourism, enterprise, guiding, hospitality and service, with a rewilding mindset and rewilding principles;
- Partake in a world-first hospitality, service and guiding training facility for nature-based tourism related to rewilding in Europe;
- Add value to your business with official certification from Rewilding Europe, obtained after successfully completing the different stages of the programme;
- Enjoy a unique opportunity to learn from partners and experts from other European areas.

"At last, I have met a group of likeminded people that I can stay in touch with after the webinar series ended."

**DUNCAN RUITERMAN** 

# **Application Process**

#### Requirements

- You must (aspire to) work in nature-based tourism, be a (potential) partner of Rewilding Europe, or be a part of the European Rewilding Network;
- Submit a short motivational email outlining why this training would be beneficial to yourself, your profession and/or your business.



# Rewilding Training Tourism STAGE 2

The second stage of this comprehensive training programme, which has been co-developed by Rewilding Europe, the European Safari Company and Nature Tourism Development, embodies the latest knowledge, experience and expertise. It incorporates rewilding best practice for guides, hospitality and service entrepreneurs, local rewilding enterprise partners and field officers, and other local partners in rewilding areas. Participants will develop a broad range of skills in guiding, hospitality and service, underpinned by the latest rewilding principles.

The second stage will be split in two different disciplines to choose from in 2022:

- 1) Focused on nature based tourism & enterprise (NBTE)
- 2) Focused on interpretive guiding & hospitality (GH)

Based in three different Rewilding/European Rewilding network areas in 2022, we will work together with the local Rewilding teams and nature-based tourism businesses to bring you the best possible local knowledge and experience. Your trainer will be Simon Collier of Nature Tourism Development.



### Programme overview

Participants will benefit from a range of activities and exercises carried out against the backdrop of beautiful and developing rewilding areas.

#### Areas covered include:

- first-hand rewilding examples and engagements
- international guide and hospitality training
- field experiences, wildlife watching and animal tracking
- delivering unique and memorable guest experiences
- hospitality & service scenarios
- · community engagement and development
- · storytelling and transformations in nature
- · nature-based tourism and rewilding

Field training is limited to a maximum of eight participants, ensuring personalised attention and development.

	Morning	Afternoon	Evening
Monday	Arrival of participants and transport to accommodation. Welcome, meet everyone and team lunch.	Afternoon experiences in the field.	Dinner and overnight.
Tuesday	Nature based classroom.	Scenario training.	Dinner and overnight.
Wednesday	Sessions on community development and engagement.	Nature based classrooms.	Dinner, enterprise discussions and overnight.
Thursday	Nature based tourism and enterprise sessions.	Hospitality & service scenarios.	Surprise evening programme.
Friday	Final session and closing lessons. Participant feedback and assessments. Closing of the programme & training.		

## Dates and prices for Stage 2 in 2022

We offer three Stage 2 training dates in 2022 (depending on final programming):

#### Focused on Nature based tourism and developement

- 1. NBTE: 23–27 May 2022 ERN areas in the Netherlands & Belgium: €2375pp (ex VAT)
- 2. NBTE: 6–10 June 2022 Central Apennines, Italy: €2395pp (ex VAT)
- 3. NBTE: 10–14 October 2022 Greater Côa Valley, Portugal: €2395 pp (ex VAT)

#### Focused on Interpretive Guiding and Hospitality

4. GH:11–16 September 2022 – Southern Carpathians, Romania: €2395pp (ex VAT)

The five-day field trainings, limited to 8 participants, include all domestic transportation during the programme, training and assessments, accommodation, and all meals from Monday afternoon till Friday morning.

Those who pass this stage will receive a Rewilding Training Tourism certificate and will be eligible to move on to Stage 3 Field Training.

# Benefits for you and your business

- Receive comprehensive rewilding training incorporating rewilding best practices.
- · Develop a wide range of skills in guiding, hospitality and service, underpinned by rewilding principles.
- Partake in a world-first hospitality, service and guiding training programme for nature-based tourism related to rewilding in Europe.
- Add value to your business with official certification from Rewilding Europe, obtained after successfully completing the different stages of the programme.
- Enjoy a unique opportunity to learn from partners and experts from other European areas.

# **Application Process**

#### Requirements

- · You must have completed Stage 1 (Webinar Series) of the Rewilding Training Tourism programme successfully.
- You must be working or aspire to work in nature-based tourism.
- · Please submit a short motivational email outlining why this training would be beneficial to yourself and/or your business.

"Overall I would rate the trainings week with a 9! I loved the program, the diversity, the location and the team."

CHRISTIAAN UITTENBOSCH



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# **STAGE 3**

The third stage of this comprehensive training programme, which has been co-developed by the European Safari Company, Nature Tourism Development and Rewilding Europe, embodies the latest knowledge, experience and expertise on nature based economies and entrepreneurship. Participants will develop a broad range of skills in rewilding enterprise, nature based tourism and sustainable business development, underpinned by the latest rewilding principles.

Based in the Central Apennines of Italy, we will work together with the Rewilding Apennines team and eco-tourism business Wildlife Adventures to bring you the best possible local knowledge and experience. Your trainer will be Simon Collier of Nature Tourism Development.



## Programme overview

Stage 3 field training is an intensive, six-day training programme based in the Central Apennine mountains of Italy. Participants will benefit from a range of activities and exercises carried out against the backdrop of a beautiful and developing rewilding area.

Stage 3 will see participants dive deeper into the learnings from Stage 1 & 2 and apply these to a live scenario where they will cocreate a new nature-based business concept. The business concept will include impact on people, nature and rewilding and equip participants with the skills to develop new business for different areas in the future.

#### Areas covered include:

- enterprise sessions with local stakeholders;
- strategy sessions with experts from Rewilding Europe;
- business plan development, including financing, community engagement and development; nature-based entrepreneurship in tourism and rewilding;
- · high level hosting experiences;
- · rewilding implementation, communications and operations.

Field training is limited to a maximum of eight participants, ensuring personalised attention and development.

## Itinerary

#### Sunday Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday **Friday** Afternoon: arrival Morning: Work sessions All day: Nature Morning: Wrap up Morning: Last Morning: Interviews of participants with local experts. based classroom and and hike back to the work sessions & with all participants, and transport to work sessions in the hotel in Pescasseroli, preparations. goodbye's and Afternoon: Outdoor accommodation. mountains. followed by lunch. departure. classroom during our Afternoon: Final Evening: meet and Overnight at the Afternoon/ Evening: presentations to the hike to a mountain greets and highrefuge for a 2-night stay. refuge. Programme around local stakeholders and level outline of the local stakeholders, feedback. Evening: Dinner and gastronomy and wine. programme, followed **Evening:** Dinner and overnight at the by dinner and Overnight at the hotel. refuge, followed by a overnight at the hotel. overnight at the hotel. session around the fire.



"I am incredibly grateful for this wonderful experience and opportunity to learn and interact with such wonderful people — both participants and trainers/guides. In the preparation you were paying specific attention to everyone; the whole training process was both very personalized and at the same time very structured. Content and flexibility were really strong and with well-balanced ingredients"

JOÃO SALGUEIRO
WILDLIFE ECONOMIES ADVISOR, PORTUGAL

"I loved the atmosphere you have created, positive vibes all the way from 5 am to 11 pm. Wonderful scenery and nature, like-minded people. Beautiful refuge and hospitable Wildlife Adventures guides. I would like to thank you again for the opportunity and chance to attend, practice, and raise my skills to a higher level and standard and to share this passion for nature and guiding with you all. I look forward to the 3<sup>rd</sup> stage very much!"

DR. PETRA DRAŠKOVIČ PELC Nature guide and photographer, Slovenia





# Dates and prices for Stage 3 in 2022

Stage 3 will take place from **20–25 November 2022** in the Central Apennines, Italy.

The price for this six-day programme is €2590 per person (ex tourism VAT). The cost of this Stage 3 field training includes all domestic transportation during the programme, all working and masterclass training sessions, accommodation, and all meals from Sunday evening to Friday morning. It excludes international travel to and from Rome.

Those who pass this stage will receive a Rewilding Training Tourism Stage 3 certificate and everlasting fame:)

# Benefits for you and your business

- Receive comprehensive rewilding training incorporating rewilding best practices.
- Develop a wide range of skills in nature based entrepeneurship, underpinned by rewilding principles.
- Partake in a world-first business training programme for nature-based tourism related to rewilding in Europe.
- Add value to your business with official certification from Rewilding Europe, obtained after successfully completing the different stages of the programme.
- Enjoy a unique opportunity to learn from partners and experts from other European areas.

# **Application Process**

#### Requirements

- You must have completed Stage 1 and Stage 2 of the Rewilding Training Tourism programme successfully.
- · You must be working or aspire to work in nature-based tourism.
- Please submit a short motivational email outlining why this training would be beneficial to yourself and/or your business.

