

MARINE FEST 2024

THURSDAY 6TH TO MONDAY 10TH JUNE

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BOOKBUG: 'UNDER THE SEA'
10:30 – 11:30 (Tickets FREE)
Please register to join as tickets are limited.
Join North Berwick Library for a special Under the Sea Bookbug, with songs, rhymes, and stories.
Suitable for 0-5.

MINDFUL MARINE: MEDITATION, BREATHWORK AND SEA SWIMMING
12:00 – 13:30 (£30 per person)
Connect with nature and reinvigorate yourself with some mindful walking, silent reflection, yoga, meditation and sea swimming. **Suitable for 18+ (or 13+ accompanied by an adult with a ticket).**

PUPPET SHOW: WHAT'S FOR SNACK?
13:30 – 14:30 (£2.50 for Adults; child tickets FREE)
Please book a ticket for everyone in your party.
Help Craig the Crab – who has eaten some marine litter – get rid of his sore tummy in this interactive show.
Suitable for 2+.

FRIDAY 7 JUNE SEAGRASS MONITORING OUTDOOR SESSION*
09:30 – 11:30 (Tickets FREE donations welcome)
Please register to join as spaces are limited. Learn how to identify and monitor seagrass at Belhaven Bay with Restoration Forth.
Suitable for 14+ (U16s must be accompanied by an adult).
**Please meet at Tynninghame car park for this event.*

SENSORY HERBAL WORKSHOP: SEASIDE MEMORIES
10:00 – 11:30 (£25 per person)
Join Liz from the Honeybee Sanctuary for a sensory herbalism workshop, using rosemary to make 3 herbal preparations to take home.
Suitable for all ages.

BUBBLE WORKSHOP
15:30 – 16:30 (£5 per person)
Join us to enjoy the science and magic of bubbles! Make your own bubble wand and enjoy experimenting to create your own beautiful bubbles.
Suitable for 5+ (U16s must be accompanied by an adult).

SUMMER TASTING WITH FIDRA GIN & SEA BUCKTHORN SCOTLAND
19:00 – 20:00 (£8 per person)
Enjoy a welcome Fidra G&T and a Stormy Seas cocktail while learning about how gin is made and enjoying views across the sea to the Bass Rock.
Suitable for 18+.

SATURDAY 8 JUNE BIG SEAWEED SEARCH
10:00 – 10:45 (Tickets FREE)
Please register to join as spaces are limited.
Join the Marine Conservation Society to discover the amazing seaweeds that can be found on the shores of North Berwick.
Suitable for 13+ (U16s must be accompanied by an adult).

FINS & FLUKES: WHALE & DOLPHIN WATCHING AROUND SCOTLAND
11:00 – 12:00 (£5 per person)
Dip your toe into the world of Scottish whale and dolphin watching with this interactive session, with an introductory talk and a 'seawatch'.
Suitable for adults (older children accompanied by an adult are welcome).

SEA SHANTY WORKSHOP
11:00 – 12:00 (£10 per person)
Join Traditional Scots singer, Joss Cameron for a Sea Shanty Workshop, learning the history and traditions of sea shanties and then singing some yourself! **Suitable for all ages.**

ROCKPOOL RAMBLE
11:00 – 12:30 (£10 per person)
Discover the amazing wildlife that can be found in the rockpools of North Berwick, with a brief talk followed by a guided ramble along the shore.
Suitable for 5+.

RESTORING SEAGRASS IN SCOTLAND TALK
12:00 – 13:00 (FREE (donations welcome))
Please register to join as tickets are limited.
Join our seagrass officer, Eleri, for a talk about Restoration Forth and the challenges facing ecosystem restoration in the modern day.
Suitable for 12+.

MARINE EXPLORERS: POLLUTION EXPLORERS
13:00 – 13:30 (FREE with recommended donation)
Unwrap the problem that is marine pollution with Conservation Officer Emma Marriott.
Suitable for 5+ (U16s must be accompanied by an adult)

ISLAND LIFE: WILDLIFE & CONSERVATION ON OUR LOCAL ISLANDS
13:00 – 14:00 (FREE with recommended donation)
Please register to join as spaces are limited.
Join us for a 45-minute talk to delve into the wonderful wildlife on our local islands: The Lamb, Craighleith, and Bass Rock.
Suitable for all ages.

TACKLE MARINE POLLUTION: BEACH CLEAN & NURDLE HUNT
13:30 – 14:30 (FREE (donations welcome))
Please register to join as spaces are limited.
Join our Conservation Team on a beach clean and nurdle hunt along North Berwick's beaches and help protect Scotland's amazing marine wildlife and habitats.
Suitable for all ages.

MARINE EXPLORERS: SEABIRD EXPLORERS
14:00 – 14:30 (FREE with recommended donation)
Dive into the watery world of Scotland's seabirds with our Discovery Team.
Suitable for 5+ (U16s must be accompanied by an adult).

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WILDLIFE TOUR: IDENTIFYING SEABIRDS & SHOREBIRDS
14:30 – 16:00 (£7.50 per person)

Join our Conservation Officer for a relaxing 1.5 hour wildlife tour along the coast to find out more about the seasonal seabirds and shorebirds that can be spotted around Scotland. *Suitable for 18+.*

MARINE EXPLORERS: SEAGRASS EXPLORERS
15:00 – 15:30
(FREE with recommended donation)

Join seagrass officer, Eleri, to find out why these small plants are so hugely beneficial to marine environments and how you can be an active part of their restoration. *Suitable for 5+ (U16s must be accompanied by an adult).*

LITTLE ARTISTS: PAINT THE SEA
15:00 – 16:00
(£12 per person)

Take inspiration from the stunning coastal views and create your own painted canvas to take home - all materials will be supplied. *Suitable for ages 5-11.*

MEGAN McCUBBIN'S MARINE MOMENTS
18:30 – 20:00
(£12 per person)

Join TV wildlife presenter and author, Megan McCubbin, on World Ocean Day and hear about her passion for Scotland's coasts and seas and her favourite marine moments (including her visits to the Bass Rock). *Suitable for all ages.*

BIG BLU PIZZA VAN
13:00 – 18:00

The Big Blu Pizza with delicious wood-fired pizzas will be on site today. *Suitable for all ages.*

SUNDAY 9 JUNE

SUNDAY SNORKEL SESSION
10:00 – 13:00
(£75 per person)

Experienced guide Laura Curtis Moss will take you through the basics of snorkelling then lead an exploration around East Lothian Snorkel Trail's North Berwick locations. Equipment provided. *Suitable for beginners 14+.* All under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

SEABIRD SAUNTER
10:30 – 12:00 & 14:00 – 15:30
(£12 per person)

Join your guide Kevin for a mixed terrain shoreline walk, looking at what made this landscape, its history and why the seabirds need our help. *suitable for 12+.* All under 16s must be accompanied by an adult.

SMALL 'N SUSTAINABLE SUNDAY MARKET
12:00 – 16:00 (drop-in)

Second Stories vintage clothing brings together a host of small and sustainable offerings for a special one-off, pop-up market. *Suitable for all ages.*

NEEDLE FELTING WORKSHOP
15:00 – 17:00
(£20 per person)

In this relaxing 2-hour class, Jo Lochhead from The Crafty Kit Company will guide you as you create your own mini lighthouse, using wool and felting needles. *Suitable for beginners.* *Suitable for 10+.*

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11:30 – 13:30
(FREE (donations welcome))
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Learn how to identify and monitor seagrass at Belhaven Bay with Restoration Forth. *Suitable for 14+.* U16s must be accompanied by an adult. **Please meet at Tynninghame car park for this event.*

MEET THE SCIENTIST: HERRINGS FROM SPACE WITH PHIL TAYLOR*
19:00 – 20:00
(FREE with recommended donation)

Hear from Phil Taylor, Director of charity Open Seas, about the collaborative projects they're involved in to improve the health of Scotland's marine ecosystems and the actions needed to protect these areas for the future. *Please register to join as spaces are limited.* *Suitable for all ages.* **This is an online talk on Zoom.*

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DISCOVER THE MARINE WORLD
10:00 – 18:00 Daily (FREE drop-in (donations welcome))
Dive into Scotland's incredible marine environment with our pop-up Marine Fest activities. *Suitable for all ages.*

WILD WONDERS PHOTOGRAPHY EXHIBITION
10:00 – 18:00 Daily (FREE drop-in (donations welcome))
Explore the beauty and wonder of Scotland's diverse marine wildlife in our exhibition space by the boat office. *Suitable for all ages.*

MEET THE LOBSTER
12:00 – 15:00 Saturday 8 and Sunday 9 June (FREE drop-in (donations welcome))
Explore the Lobster Hatchery's education container, meet a lobster and pick up a special activity sheet. *Suitable for all ages.*

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