# John Muir Award – Wild Places Guardian Proposal

This template can be used to plan your Award activity prior to submitting the online [Proposal form](https://www.johnmuirtrust.org/award/getting-started/key-documents/wild-places-guardian-proposal-form) . The online form must be completed and submitted in one session, as progress cannot be saved.

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## Proposed Award Activity

## Group information

*Please include details such as who this group is, age range, additional needs, other relevant information. This helps us understand if your group will meet the criteria when reading your proposal and tailor our advice and support.*

Start date: End date:

Breakdown of time commitment *(how many hours/days over how many sessions do you plan to deliver? Minimum time commitment is 25 hours)*

How will participants be involved in the planning and decision making of their Award?

How will the participants develop an awareness of an inspirational person who has influenced the protection and restoration of Wild Places?

The Four Challenges - *Outline how you plan for all individuals involved to meet each challenge. Please refer to the Award handbook for further information.*

**DISCOVER**  a wild place through nature connection activities and consider what makes it wild, how wild is it and how does it make you feel? Why is it special? Could it be wilder? See a wild place through the lens of its attributes (e.g., natural processes, visual characteristics, soundscape, human influence, flora and fauna, connectivity / remoteness)

**EXPLORE**  your wild place, deepen your knowledge and understand it better. Enjoy a variety of activities which you approach with a sense of adventure and curiosity. Learn more about your wild place - how is it good for nature, how it is good for humans, what might threaten keeping your place wild? Consider what you can do to help protect or restore it.

**CONSERVE** Now it’s time to take action to protect or restore your wild place. You can do practical conservation activities, raise awareness or take other actions to help protect wild places. Consider the longevity of your actions - how can you sustain the benefits beyond your Award activities?

**SHARE** what you have done to inspire others to care for wild places. Tell people why your wild place is important and special to you, and how they can help you look after it.

Once you are happy that your proposal meets all criteria, please complete and submit the online [Proposal form](https://www.johnmuirtrust.org/award/getting-started/key-documents/wild-places-guardian-proposal-form).