



## Extended Period Volunteering

This form of volunteer work is offered for those wishing to stay and volunteer their time, for a longer period, across several aspects of the work being carried out throughout the sanctuary. This type of work is potentially ideal for work experience, students, local residents and backpackers. Such work would require the volunteer to stay at Cradle Mountain or live/be within the local area for a length of time.

Period of stay is to be between a minimum of 3 days, and a maximum of several months.

A cover letter or CV may be requested as required

Maximum number of volunteers that can be accommodated at a given time is 2

Year round availability

Age: 18+

Cost: No charge

*NOTE: Accommodation, meals, transport etc. will need to be provided and/or organised by the individual.*

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*There is a weekly rate on family backpacker rooms of \$150. Cabins can be offered at a rate of \$100 per night. A weekly rate on an unpowered camp site is \$80.*

*Other options also exist within the area depending on individual requirements and circumstances (see online)*



## Volunteer Information and Requirements

### What to Expect

The types of jobs volunteers within the sanctuary **may** undertake, or be involved with, include;

- Enclosure cleaning and maintenance (including scat collection, water top-up etc.)
- Enclosure modifications and re-furbishing
- Food preparation
- Assisting/directing visitors in the park
- Captive breeding program
- Field monitoring program
- Orphan rehabilitation program
- The sanctuary is currently expanding so extended period volunteers may become involved in habitat modification and building/construction of new enclosures, paths etc.

### Restrictions

Applicants must be a minimum of 18 years of age.

Photography is permitted (Some limitations may apply in certain areas of the park).

### Accommodation

Currently no on site accommodation is able to be provided so volunteers at the sanctuary would be required to make their own arrangements for accommodation in the area.

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### **What to Bring**

Suitable Clothing – Keepers work in all weather conditions so come prepared for everything. Cradle Mountain is an alpine region so expect cold weather and a good chance there will be rain. Wet weather gear is a must and sun protection is also important. Clothing and footwear should be sturdy (ie. Boots/steel toe), and be prepared to possibly get dirty.

Food – Volunteers will have a break(s) during the day and access to the staff kitchen (Kettle, microwave, toaster, fridge etc.) but food is to be provided by the individual. Hot drinks (Tea & coffee) will be provided.

Camera

### **Other Considerations**

Cradle Mountain is in a remote area with limited access to things such as transport, supplies (ie. supermarkets) and phone reception (at times). Access to own transport would be an advantage, and volunteers should come prepared with the length of their stay in mind.

The weather at Cradle Mountain is changeable and can be harsh, particularly during the winter months. Volunteers should keep this in mind when considering/planning to visit.

Those considering volunteer work within the sanctuary should also keep in mind that work involved may include manual labour. Fitness and one's suitability to complete such tasks should be considered.

Insurance/travel insurance.

