# What is Wildcare Tasmania?

Wildcare Tasmania is a community of members, volunteers and donors who care for Tasmania's wild places, wildlife and cultural heritage.

We are a not-for-profit entity and work collaboratively with the Tasmanian Government, local councils and other organisations and landowners to achieve outcomes that could not otherwise be reached.

We provide opportunities to experience some of Tasmania's unique locations. The work of our members and volunteers has a **profound impact on our wilderness, wildlife and heritage spaces, both now and into the future.** 

## What does Wildcare Tasmania stand for?

**It's up to us:** Wildcare Tasmania is about putting our care into action.

**Something for everyone:** There are many ways to help us care for our wild places and wildlife. Whether volunteering on practical conservation projects, holding an administrative role on a committee, quietly supporting from the sidelines or choosing to donate - you can play an important role.

The chance of a lifetime: Our members can choose to visit remote wild places, or volunteer in a reserve close to home. They enjoy the physical, mental and social benefits of volunteering, often forming lasting connections and friendships. It's also deeply rewarding to join others in doing something that makes a real difference.









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# CARING FOR TASMANIA'S WILD PLACES & WILDLIFE

## We exist to keep Tasmania wild

Wildcare Tasmania's purpose is to bring people and organisations together to help ensure Tasmania's precious natural places and species are protected for the future.

We have a unique operating model, and our impact comes from:

- the work of over 50 Wildcare Tasmania volunteer groups
- <u>donations to Wildcare's Tasmanian Nature</u> <u>Conservation Fund</u>.

## Who are we?

Our Wildcare community is made up of people from all around Tasmania and further afield:

- Our members the life-blood of Wildcare. Without sustained membership, Wildcare would cease to exist.
- Wildcare volunteers working alongside land managers and partner organisations to plan and deliver an amazing array of projects. Many of our members volunteer for multiple groups, providing the opportunity to visit and care for unique locations right around Tasmania, often in areas that they have never visited before.
- A Board mostly volunteers, who oversee the strategy and governance.
- A small team of staff who deliver Wildcare's services and operational functions.
- A Grants Committee volunteers who review grant applications and allocate funding for Wildcare's Tasmanian Nature Conservation Fund.
- **Donors** people, businesses, trusts and organisations from all around the world who provide financial and in-kind support.

## What type of work does Wildcare Tasmania support?

Tasmania is an archipelago, an island surrounded by over 300 smaller islands. We have extraordinary alpine ecosystems, cool temperate rainforests and beautiful coastal areas. Our State's 19 National Parks and more than 800 reserves protect many habitats and important breeding grounds for precious and threatened species.

Wildcare groups work across the state on different land tenures, from the world-renowned Tasmanian Wilderness World Heritage Area to remote islands and local council reserves. We support a large array of conservation projects and research, through both volunteer services and grants. These include:

- care of National Parks and reserves
- upgrades to bushwalking tracks to minimise impact
- maintenance of historic built heritage, including lighthouse stations
- clean-up and scientific reporting of rubbish from ocean currents
- restoring healthy wildlife habitat
- rescue, rehabilitation and release of wildlife & raptors
- research into the Tasmanian Devil facial tumour disease
- guiding and education at penguin colonies
- restoring shorebird breeding areas
- monitoring and scientific research into endangered species
- managing feral species
- weed management on Tasmania's offshore islands.





## How you can get involved

#### Join us:

Becoming a member is a powerful way to support the incredible work of Wildcare Tasmania. Many, but not all of our members volunteer for one or more groups. We rely on membership to sustain our operations. You can sign up on our website.

### Volunteer:

Once you become a member, you can volunteer for as many groups as you wish. We have over 50 groups around Tasmania, undertaking a wide variety of projects. Visit our website to find out about the groups and join the email list of those that interest you.

### Donate:

Go to the donate tab on our website. Donations to the Wildcare Tasmanian Nature Conservation Fund are tax deductible.

### Stay connected:

Follow Wildcare Tasmania on social media to keep up-to-date on news, projects and opportunities. We encourage our members to share comments, photos and videos with our online community.