



Upcoming South Island Projects with Conservation Volunteers

If you would like to volunteer on the South Island of New Zealand, please see the list below for current projects. If you would like further details on any of these projects please contact 0800 567 686 (calling from NZ) or +64 9 623 7282 (international callers) or email us at info@conservationvolunteers.co.nz

Christchurch – Poynter Nature Reserve Project

Come and enjoy the open grasslands and river margin of Poynter Nature Reserve on the banks of the Waimakariri River, one of New Zealand's largest braided rivers. Our work here is primarily native tree planting, tree releasing and mulching. This is a one day project held on a Saturday only. Limit 10 people.

Canterbury - Craigieburn Southern Alps Project

Enjoy the brisk mountain air of Craigieburn, located in the magnificent Arthurs Pass region of New Zealand's Southern Alps. Certain times of the year, you will enjoy looking out across snow-covered peaks. Our work here is primarily to assist controlling the spread of wilding pine trees that threaten to take over and transform the native alpine vegetation. We will also assist with walking track maintenance on one of the many spectacular walks in the area. Limit 10 people.

West Coast - Punakaiki Coastal Project

Join Conservation Volunteers on an adventure along the beautiful West Coast of New Zealand's South Island. We are located in an ecological corridor spanning the mountains to the sea. Perched on the edge of the Southern Alps, Punakaiki encompasses spectacular limestone landscapes, river gorges, caves, coastal and inland walks and the world renowned Pancake Rocks and blowholes. The forests bear nikau palms and rata trees that are hundreds of years old. The coastline is the natural habitat of the Little Blue Penguin. This project focuses on habitat restoration of coastal land adjacent to Paparoa National Park. Volunteers will help out with a variety of tasks in a stunning location including tree planting, seed collection and removal of weeds. The project will transform existing open pastures into dense native forest and enhance habitat for the only breeding site in the world for the Westland Black Petrel. Limit 10 people.

West Coast - Restore Waitua, a Heritage Gold Mining Town

Sited overlooking the spectacular snow covered Southern Alps, Waitua is a town full of memories and history. Within its forest-surrounded setting, many mining relics remain from the days when it was a bustling miners town, including some of its original buildings, the old Police Station, Rimu cottage and the old barbers shop. Help bring the heritage buildings back to their former glory and carry out environmental work to restore the village. Limit 10 people.

To book directly online go to www.conservationvolunteers.co.nz, click onto South Island projects. Click onto Conservation Connect, select which project you would like to join and enter in your details.