

WildCount

0E12014/061 Common Wombat, *Vombatus ursinus* © S. Cottrell



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VOLUNTEER WITH THE NSW

WILDCOUNT MONITORING PROGRAM

WildCount is a broadscale fauna monitoring program, established in 2012, to detect long-term changes in the distribution of widespread species such as wombats, possums and wallabies.

From February to June, volunteers assist staff monitoring 200 sites across the national parks and reserves of NSW. As a volunteer you will have an opportunity to work alongside staff in remote places rarely seen by visitors. Field trips run from Monday to Friday with all meals, motel-style accommodation and transport provided during the week. You will need to make your own way to meet our staff.

FIELD WORK INVOLVED

- Setting up motion-sensitive cameras
- Using GPS and other navigation tools
- Recording basic habitat and floristic data
- Following safety protocols

VOLUNTEERS WILL BE REQUIRED TO

- Work in remote field locations, one on one with a NPWS staff member
- Have a good level of fitness
- Assist with carrying equipment
- Trek off-track through thick vegetation, up steep hills and over rough terrain in all weather conditions
- Travel long distances and on remote dirt roads and four wheel drive tracks
- Stay away from home Monday to Friday
- Travel to meet the NPWS staff member at the start of the field week in Sydney, Wollongong, Newcastle, Queanbeyan, Coffs Harbour or Armidale.

HOW TO APPLY

Please register your interest:

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/wildcount>

Or email: npws.wildcount@environment.nsw.gov.au

Phone: (02) 9585 6450 or (02) 9585 6751

For more information visit:

<https://www.environment.nsw.gov.au/topics/animals-and-plants/surveys-monitoring-and-records/native-animal-monitoring>