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Devon**



Seaton Wetlands Visual Story



General Information



Seaton Wetlands is made up of four main sites:

Seaton Marshes

Black Hole Marsh

Colyford Common

Stafford Marsh

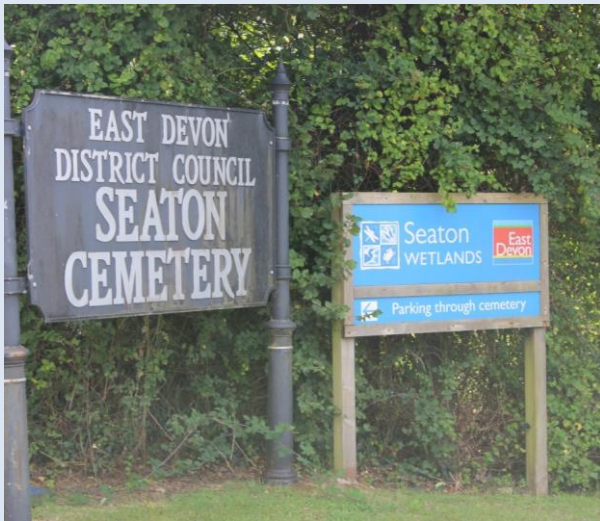
Seaton Wetlands is open 24 hours, 365 days a year.

The busy periods in the year are weekends and school holidays.

The quieter times to visit are early mornings and late evening.

Sometimes there are events on which can be busy and noisy - call ahead or ask staff on site for details. The phone number is 01395 517557.

Getting There



The entrance to Seaton Wetlands is through Seaton Cemetery.

Just drive through and you will see the car park.

The nearest postcode is EX12 2SP.



Parking is free but donations are requested. The recommended donation is £1.

Don't leave any valuables on display in your car. Lock up and walk down to the bottom corner of the car park to access the site.



Dress for the weather and wear good shoes for walking.

There are no dogs allowed on the site other than guide dogs.

Walk along the path until you find the orientation map.

Getting Around



The map shows a plan view of the site and where you can go.

You can also pick up a map to take around with you from the information point, called The Lookout, further along the path.

Turn left after the gate to follow the path to The Lookout.



There are lots of huts around the site.
They are called 'Hides'.

You can go inside them to get a closer
look at the wildlife, without being seen.



The Hides can get quite busy and feel
claustrophobic during busy times.



They are dark, but designed for you to
look out of the windows.

It is respectful to keep your voice down
when inside the hides, to not disturb
other wildlife watchers!



This is the Discovery Hut.

It can get quite crowded in here with
children.



There are lots of activities to get involved in and information to read.

The animals are all contained and there are no alarms scheduled in this area.



This is the gate to Colyford Common, another area of the site.

It is an open outdoor area, so the terrain will vary according to the weather.



Sometimes there are cattle on the boardwalk towards the hide.

Do not be alarmed by the cattle - they are approachable. They are just curious.



There may be people on bicycles, scooters and a Tramper on the site so be aware of them.

You can also bring along a scooter or bicycle to get around if you would like to.

What you might see



There is lots of wildlife to see at Seaton Wetlands.

You might hear sounds of birds chirping and crickets.

Some animals like pheasants and ducks may walk along the paths.

Quiet Places



There are no designated quiet rooms at Seaton Wetlands, but there are plenty of quiet places to go to outside.



Staff can be recognised by their blue clothing and lanyards.

They are very friendly and will do their best to assist you if you have any questions or concerns.



You can usually find a member of staff in 'The Lookout' hide which is the first building to your left as you enter Seaton Wetlands from the main car park.



You can see which member of staff is on duty by looking at the blackboard.

Loud Noises



Sometimes the tram from Seaton Tramway will go past the site. It runs on rails and will not come onto the footpaths or fields.

It will toot its horn:

- On the approach to Seaton Marshes hide, from either direction
- On the approach to Tower Hide, from either direction
- On the approach to Colyford Common hide, from either direction
- On the approach to Colyford Common platform, from either direction
- And lastly, there will be the occasional 'toot' at the two passing loops between Seaton Tramway station and Seaton Tramway's depo at Seaton

Conservation work may also result in noises from machinery. There may be vehicles driving on the paths, but very slowly.

Low flying helicopters can also be heard flying over the site sometimes.

Facilities



There is an accessible toilet.

There is a baby change facility.

Please note, there is no emergency pull cord.



You can get light refreshments like hot and cold drinks, cereal bars, biscuits and ice creams from the Discovery Hut.

The hut is open 10am to 4pm, Saturday to Monday with some additional times during holidays.

The Discovery Hut is however manned by volunteers so may be closed at short notice, contact the team in advance to check.



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