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## Looking for something to enthuse, inspire and amaze? Welcome to The Bug Farm

Tucked away, in the smallest city in the UK, is a farm quite unlike any other. The Bug Farm is a historic farm based within 100 acres of the beautiful Pembrokeshire Coast National Park. The site is dedicated to showcasing the wonders of invertebrates, wildlife conservation, sustainable farming and food.

The Bug Farm is a research centre, wildlife reserve and working farm which is home to a visitor centre. Founded by entomologist, conservationist and TV presenter Dr Sarah Beynon, The Bug Farm was named as the 'best start up business in the UK'. The site is adorned with award-winning wildflower meadows and trails and is a haven for visitors as well as wildlife. We are also the home of **Grub Kitchen** – hailed as the UK's first edible insect restaurant, with a focus on sustainable food. Onsite food manufacturing business **Bug Farm Foods** creates a range of insect-based food for retail, much of which is available in the onsite gift shop.

## **Exhibits include:**

- > Tropical Bug Zoo A custom-built exhibit full of fascinating invertebrates from around the world.
- **Bug Museum** Brimming with facts and stunning displays, including a display on insect farming.
- > Walled Garden A beautiful, peaceful space buzzing with insect life and colourful blooms.
- **Farm Trail** Explore over 15 acres of habitat, showcasing sustainable farming and wildlife conservation.
- > British Bug House Learn more about our native invertebrates and how you can look after them.
- > Art gallery Housing constantly-changing exhibitions of artwork.
- ▶ **Grub Kitchen** Try one of our popular tutored tasting sessions.

For more information on our exhibits and to see a map of the site, visit <u>www.thebugfarm.co.uk</u>

**Not just for kids** – Please note that the site is equally suitable for school groups as it is for farming groups, WI's, academic researchers and professional conservationists – we will tailor the experience accordingly.

**Lunch** – If you would like to add in lunch to your visit, please let us know and we will send over a menu from Grub Kitchen in advance. Catering for all dietary requirements, the menu is predominantly plant-based with additional insect-based options. You are also more than welcome to eat your own picnic onsite.



**CHOOSE YOUR ACTIVITIES** - All visits include basic Bug Farm Entry. As a suggestion, a half-day Bug Farm Experience could be comprised of Bug Farm Entry plus two additional sessions and some free time around the site. The most popular experience booked is our Bug Farm entry, Up Close session, Museum & Tropical Bug Zoo Tour and Premium Grub Kitchen Taster.

Activity	What does it involve?	Suitable for	When is it available?	
1. Bug Farm Entry	Entry to the Tropical Bug Zoo, Bug Museum, Bug Barn (basic) Indoor Play Barn and Bug Farm Trail. The experience is fully <b>self-guided</b> .	All	Year-round	
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## Each activity below lasts approximately 40 minutes (depending on interest level/age)

2. Museum & Tropical Bug Zoo Tour	A guided tour of the Museum and Bug Zoo.	All	Year-round
3. Up-Close Session	Age-appropriate, calm and controlled insect handling and education session. We strongly recommend that you include this in your visit – this is not just for children and is a highlight of most trips!	All	Year-round
4. Bug Hunt	A fun-filled bug hunt across The Bug Farm, using the latest bug-hunting kit.	Under 16's	May-October (weather depending)
5. Pond/River Dipping	We never grow out of pond dipping! Our special kit gives unique access into a hidden underwater world full of mini monsters of the deep!	Under 16's	May- September (weather depending)
6. Bug Farm Trail (guided)	Age/interest-appropriate tour highlighting sustainable agriculture and conservation with a focus on our research and conservation projects.	Over 16's	Year-round
7. Grub Kitchen Taster	This tutored taster is not to be missed. Andy will give an overview talk on edible insects before you try his famous Cricket Cookies and whole insect ingredients.	All	Year-round
8. Premium Grub Kitchen Taster	Grub Kitchen Taster session plus the addition of chef-prepared cooked delicacies including the award-winning VEXo Bolognese.	All	Year-round
9. Talk by Dr Sarah Beynon	Dr Sarah Beynon offers on-site talks about her research, conservation work and/or her adventures as a biologist and TV presenter.	Over 16's	Year-round
10. Use of the Outreach Room	Run your own activities in our Outreach & Education room. Includes full meeting room/teaching facilities.	All	Year-round

\*Discounts may apply to large groups or multiple groups booked at the same time or if you are a repeat booking. Groups must be pre-booked and the <u>minimum group size is 10</u>. However, if you are a smaller group, you are more than welcome to come and enjoy this experience. For groups fewer than 10 individuals, we add a surcharge of £25+VAT per group. *Prices and activities offered are subject to change.* 

## **Expression of Interest Form**

Contact Name	
Group Name	
Average age of participants	
Number of participants	
Contact number	
Contact e-mail	
Special requirements	
Proposed date of visit*	

\*To give you the best experience, we ideally book in groups when we are not open to the public. However, we can adjust some of our activities to allow for groups to visit us on days that we are open.

\***School groups** – pupils can bring pocket money to spend in the gift shop at the end of their visit. As well as local arts and crafts, food and book, we also stock plenty of small, age-appropriate souvenirs under £5.

Experience	Interested?
1. Bug Farm Entry	YES
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2. Museum & Tropical Bug Zoo Tour	
3. Up-Close Session	
4. Bug Hunt	
5. Pond/River Dipping	

6. Bug Farm Trail (guided)		
7. Grub Kitchen Taster		
8. Premium Grub Kitchen Taster		
9. Talk by Dr Sarah Beynon		
10. Use of the Outreach Room		
Bug Barn Indoor Play Barn (No added cost)	Υ	Ν

Please note that duration time depends on age of participants and level of interest.

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