

An Introduction to Peatland Restoration



At a glance...

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Introduction

An introduction to peatland restoration, including a site visit to see restoration work being carried out.

Overview in brief

This course will give land managers and others who work with upland peatland habitats an understanding of its importance for nature and climate.

It will explain how they can practically make a difference to the peatland they manage, explaining a variety of restoration techniques, surveying and planning, and sources of funding.

The finer details

During the day, we will cover:

- What are peatlands and what's the problem?

- Peatland restoration techniques:

- Hag reprofiling
- Ditch blocking
- Gully blocking with peat dams
- Gully blocking with timber reinforcements
- Access and ground damage
- Considerations to methods

- Things to consider when developing a restoration plan

- Funding restoration work and monitoring

- Visit out on site to see current and past peatland restoration techniques



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Who should attend?

Farmers and other land managers who work with upland peatland habitats

What will be covered?

Learning Outcomes:

- Explain what peatlands are, why they're important and why they often need restoring
- Know how peatland condition can be improved, including timescales and techniques
- Understand the basics of a restoration plan
- Identify delivery models including potential funding streams
- Describe how benefits can be measured and realised

