



• WILDLIFE PARK •

EDUCATIONAL TOURS & COURSES

**FOTA WILDLIFE PARK'S EDUCATION CENTRE IS ONE OF
THE LARGEST OUTDOOR EDUCATION VENUES IN IRELAND**

Tours and Courses are constantly evolving and content varies depending on the age of students and any requests made by their school or teacher.

To ensure students attain as much knowledge as possible, the Park offers a high demonstrator to student ratio, particularly at Secondary level. Fota is unique in Ireland in its ability to present groups with a range of habitats to view and learn about and each course combines theoretical and practical elements - which is crucial for associated learning.

The Education facilities at Fota which is located in East Cork have also been completely revamped in recent years, allowing staff to move activities indoors during more inclement weather.



**ALL COURSES MUST BE
BOOKED IN ADVANCE**
by calling (021) 4812678
or by emailing:
education@fotawildlife.ie
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Primary School Courses

Created to provide students with a greater appreciation of wildlife, our courses are suitable for students from Junior Infants up to 6th class. The content is simplified or made more challenging depending on the age group is based on the national education syllabus requirements and can be tailored to compliment any work being completed in the classroom.

Guided Educational Tours: €12.00 per student

Add a touch of the WILD to your class visit and experience one of the Park's fun and informative education programs! Make a connection with wildlife during an on-site tour of the park and receive an insight as to what daily life is like for its 400+ residents! Explore our New Tropical House and Animal Care Building and see many of our new species!

Apart from being a home to an array of exotic wildlife, Fota also provides a variety of habitats to many native species! Students are introduced to woodland ecology and are provided with an opportunity to experience what the life of an ecologist involves. Pitfall traps and beating trays are used to explore a native Irish woodland and to capture and identify its many inhabitants! Once your formal educational experience is completed, classes are encouraged to avail of our additional complimentary workshops and activities.

All tours support several discipline areas for national standards.

Cost: €12.00 per student (inclusive of entrance fee)
Duration: 2.5 hours. Group Size: Min group size - 20

Group Meal options available

Fota Wildlife Park is a Discover Primary Science approved (DPS) centre and offers DPS-registered schools a specially-created day-long option that promotes science, technology, engineering and maths. Ecology, practical Woodland activities and a Guided Tour of the Park are all included and the course counts towards schools' Primary Science award. This course runs from September to April but must be booked early and in advance using the school's DPS number.

Discover Primary Science Course: €11.00 per student. Group size: 20 (minimum) - 150 Available from September to March only

Secondary School Courses

Fota Wildlife Park's award winning education department offers a variety of modules to secondary school students! While the team-building option is a fun day out (with a focus on improving co-operation and communication skills amongst peers), there is an educational element to all of the activities on offer - ensuring that every student leaves with additional knowledge. Our practical field ecology courses provide participating students with the knowledge and practical skills required to both junior and leaving certificate standard!

Practical Ecology Course

Fota's Practical Field Ecology course for both Junior and Leaving Cert students remains one the most popular options available to schools at secondary level. The course covers both the theoretical and practical field aspects of the ecology syllabus and also allows students time to explore the Park after completing their Woodland survey.

Practical Ecology Course (5.5hr Module)

€17.00 per student
Group size: 20 (minimum) - 120

Junior Certificate - Biodiversity Conservation in the 21st Century: (5hr Module)

€17.00 per student
Group size: 20 (minimum) - 100

Team-Building Day Out (1st Years/Transition Year Students) (5 hr Module)

€17.00 per student
Group size: 20 (minimum) - 150

Leaving Certificate Business Module "Fota Wildlife Park as a Unique Business"

€13 per student (3.5hrs)

A VARIETY OF COURSES ARE ALSO AVAILABLE TO THIRD LEVEL COLLEGES ON REQUEST

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