Ten Steps to become a





Monitor Your Foxes

Fox watching is a great pleasure and is very useful should a fox be ill or injured. An outside light with motion sensor will help you to see your nocturnal visitors even in the dark. If you want to get the full picture and see what happens whilst you are asleep, you might want to invest into a trail camera.



Each fox has completely unique markings on their face, brush and legs. If you take photos of the foxes that visit your garden, you will easily be able to identify these unique markings and separate the foxes that visit from each other. This is very useful should a fox be injured and needing to be medicated or trapped.





Provide shelter

If you are happy to share your garden with foxes and have the space, you might want to provide a simple shelter for them to curl up and sleep or hide from the elements. A small dog kennel or rabbit hutch are ideal and can be purchased cheaply second-hand on Gumtree. Fill these shelters with straw to create warm bedding.

Supplement the foxes diet

You can support wild foxes but feeding small amounts of food such as raw chicken, dog food, peanuts and suet balls. Only feed small amounts so the fox(es) do not get too dependent on you. Never feed cooked carcasses as the splintering bones could harm the fox.





Provide Drinking Water

A small bowl filled with fresh drinking water daily will be appreciated by "your" foxy visitors. Drinking water is important all year round. We recommend using water that has been filtered and is chemical-free.

Report ill or injured foxes

If you spot an ill or injured fox, you can support them by monitoring and feeding them. Try to get a photo or short video to share with a local wildlife rescue so they can assess if the fox needs trapping and treating. Mange is easy to spot by bald patches, a thinning brush and crusty areas, and will eventually kill the fox if not treated. If you see a Fox limping and it is not weight-bearing after a week and shows signs of swelling or open wounds, then the leg could be fractured and the fox will need rescuing.





Do not try to tame a wild fox

It might be very tempting to hand-feed a wild fox and when given the opportunity to reach out and touch the fox or let the fox walk into your home. However this is not the fox's interest as not all humans are fond of foxes and if a fox loses his or her natural fear of humans then it could be harmed by someone who considers them "vermin".

Sign or create petitions

Even if you have no garden, you can speak up for foxes by signing petitions against fox hunting or culls. If there is a development happening in your town and you know this is an area where foxes live, you could create your own petition to make sure these foxes will not be consciously harmed by the process.





Share posts and donate to fox rescues

You can use your voice on social media to speak up for foxes. Share posts of cute foxes as much as posts against fox hunts, fur farming etc. Donate to causes that support and rescue foxes. Every £1 makes a difference.

Become a fox hunt monitor

Fox Hunting was made illegal in the UK in 2005 yet hunting by hounds still happens up and down the country under the pretence of "trail hunting". Fox Hunt Monitors are in the field bearing witness to the hunting process and recording evidence of breaches of the law when hounds are encouraged to chase and kill a fox.



The Fox Project: foxproject.org.uk Nature Spy: naturespy.org Hunt Sabs: huntsabs.org.uk