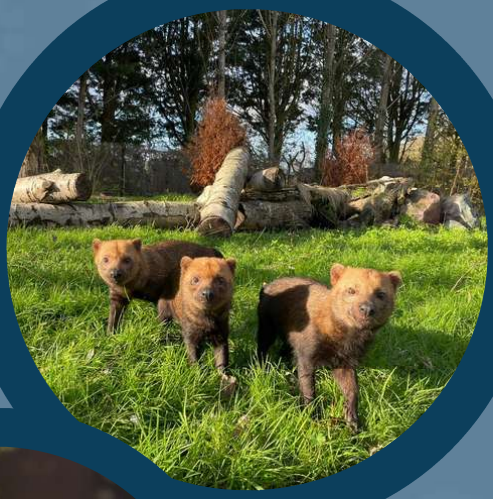
RESEARCH OPPORTUNITIES

All Things Wild

We are a certified zoological collection and can facilitate research in a variety of fields including animal behaviour, animal welfare & conservation education.

Visit our website to see our research priorities or contact us with your own proposal or general enquiries.







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Research Opportunities at All Things Wild

Who are we?

All Things Wild is a family-run animal park and visitor attraction based near Evesham, Worcestershire. We are looking to expand our onsite research programme by engaging with higher education institutes to pursue some exciting new projects...

What can we offer?

All Things Wild is certified by the British and Irish Association of Zoos and Aquariums (BIAZA). Therefore, any research we engage in will meet BIAZA's high standards of scientific integrity, animal welfare, and ethics. We can facilitate undergraduate and postgraduate research in a variety of fields and support projects of different durations.

All Things Wild is particularly well-placed to facilitate research into the welfare and behaviour of captive wild animals: our animal collection encompass a variety of taxa including endangered and critically endangered reptiles, amphibians, birds, and mammals. There is also scope for research in the fields of ecology, conservation, science communication, and education. Whilst we have a list of our own priority research areas, we are also open to being approached with original ideas.

What are our research priorities?

Below we have outlined our research priorities. The list is non-exhaustive so if there is another area of research you would like to get involved in, please get in touch.

- Time budgets of a given species.
- Enclosure use and space utilisation of a given species/ walkthrough exhibit.
- Assessment of which scents and materials elicit rubbing behaviours in tayra (*Eira barbara*) for hair collection for use in health and genetics studies.
- Comparison of novel vs natural enrichment use of a given species.
- Impact of food presentation (e.g. size - small chop up to whole food), on behaviour of a given species.
- Behavioural time budgets/ dailyroutine and activity patterns of a given species.

Biaza Research priorities that we can accomodate:

- The effect of scheduled feeding sessions on predictable behaviour and anticipatory pacing behaviour.
- Environmental lighting requirements for small mammal species.
- Exploring heating and lighting provision for zoo-housed primates.
- Evaluating the success of mixed species exhibits including primates.
- Investigating the value of providing whole food.
- Compiling a bank of research papers that provide audiograms for species in the BIAZA collections.

Contact details
To conduct research at All Things Wild, please complete an application form. All completed applications and related enquiries should be emailed to Cody Hunt: **volunteer@allthingswild.co.uk**