

ANDY ROUSE PREMIER EVENTS

The Raptor Experience with David Newton

Introduction

- ✓ Get close-up to magnificent owls, falcons and eagles and get awesome shots.
- ✓ Learn from the Technical Editor of EOS Magazine.

Photographing raptors in the wild is a wonderful yet time-consuming experience, and most of us simply do not have the time. Our Raptor Experience courses are based at a falconry centre in Gloucestershire and will allow you to work in close



proximity to trained hawks, owls and eagles. Set in a stunning parkland location, we will also use areas of the adjacent arboretum and take the birds "on location" to suitable habitats elsewhere in the local area. The workshops are always a great success for all attendees and David and head falconer, Geoff Dalton, will work hard to ensure that

you get the most from your day.

Your Guide

David Newton is the Technical Editor for EOS Magazine, a fine nature and general photographer and a self confessed technical geek! He started his career with a degree in Marine Biology at Bangor University and then moved onto to be a picture editor at NHPA, one of the world's leading photographic agencies. This is where he first came into contact with Andy Rouse, by marketing his images, and the two have become firm friends ever since. Now David spends his time writing, teaching and dispensing advice on the finer aspects of photography to the readership of EOS Magazine. A talented photographer in his own right, David was the natural choice to assist Andy in his 2007 workshop program and brings with him an irrepressible enthusiasm for all things photographic.

Itinerary

Starting at 10am, the first session will concentrate on the nearby arboretum and will give you the chance to bag some nice portrait shots of the birds. The static photographic session will involve you being able to get close to the birds whilst they are perched on suitable trees/habitats.

David will be on hand to give advice on how to take your shots and what to look out for when taking pictures like these. After the success of the



“Barn Owl in churchyard shoot” from the last course we’ll again be taking old barny down to a beautiful Cotswold church. Other highlights will include the awesome Great Grey Owl, the Great Horned Owl, Rupels Griffon Vultures and the magnificent Bald Eagle.

In the afternoon we will drive 20 minutes away to a location that is perfect for flying the birds. Action shots demand a different approach to static subjects but we’ll make



it simple by flying the slower chaps first. Some of these have a lovely gentle glide, which means that even the slowest of us should be able to make a reasonable attempt at a good shot. Then we will step things up a level and allow you the chance to marvel at the eagles and finally the Formula One of the bird world, the falcons. You need to be as quick as lightning for these but its great fun trying and even if you do just end up with a brown blur at least you have had the privilege of watching it at close quarters. We’ll also be

bringing along some perches for you to get static shots too.

Depending on the wind and light conditions as well as the mood of the birds, we cannot guarantee exactly how many species will be available during the day but rest assured you'll come away with something to be proud of. The focus of this event is on learning and improving your photography, in a friendly



atmosphere and you won't need a huge lens to achieve stunning portraits (a zoom upto 300mm is more than enough). Full details will be sent after confirmation of the booking.

It is expected that we should finish around 4.30 pm.

Pricing

The complete package costs £99 per person. This includes everything except:

- Lunch and all drinks
- Insurance if you require it.

To maximise your enjoyment of the event we have strictly limited the number of places to 16 people.

Booking your place

Please follow these instructions carefully. To book your place simply use the secure PAYPAL system as indicated on the workshop detail page. Once your payment has been received, a booking confirmation will be sent. You will receive detailed instructions for the course several weeks before the start date.

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