
WORKSHOPS AT THE BIRDS OF PREY CENTRE, BEDFORDSHIRE

TIMES

All workshops at the venue run from 10.00am to 4.30pm. You will be met in the Car Park by your tutor and directed to where we will meet for the briefing. You are welcome to arrive from 9.30am onwards.

HOW TO GET THERE

The address is:

The Bird of Prey Centre
Herrings Green Farm
Cotton End Road
Wilstead
MK45 3DT

By Car

This is around 2 miles south of Bedford and may be easily reached from the north using the A421 and taking the A6 exit (south towards Luton). From the south either the A6 or A600 may be used. The nearest village to the venue is Wilstead which is approximately 2 miles to the west of the Farm.

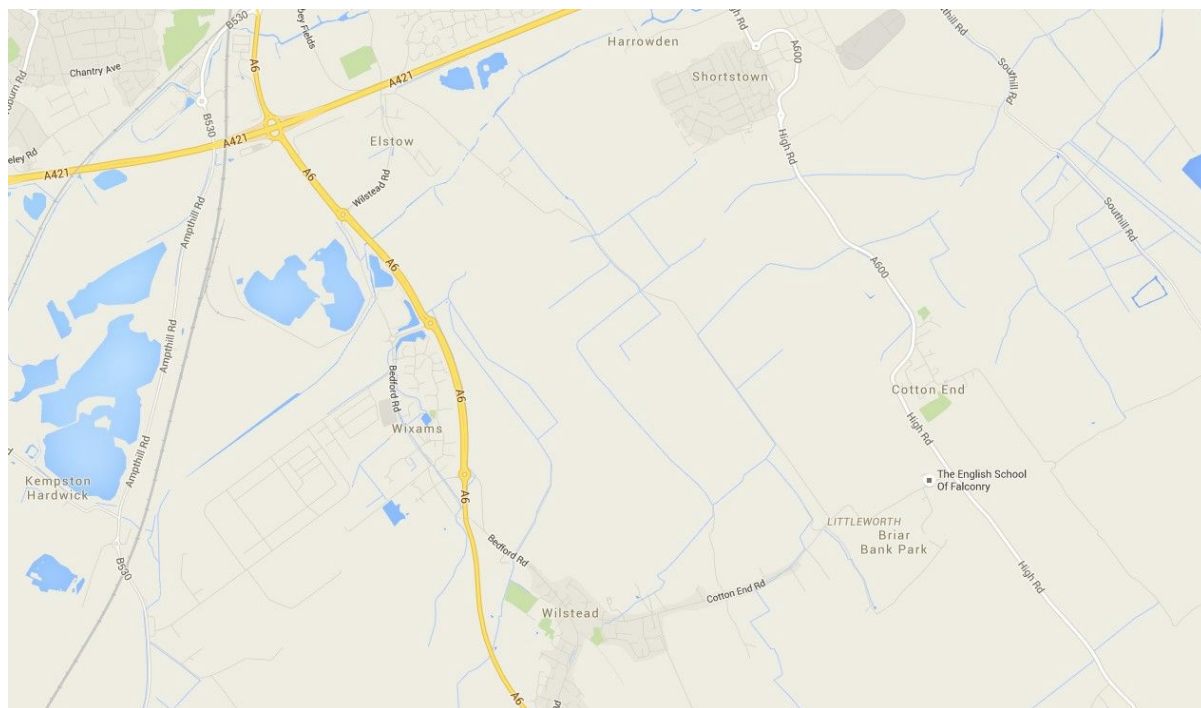
Due to the rural location, the postcode may not accurately pinpoint the exact location. If you are on Cotton End Road travelling between Wilstead and the A600 you will find Herrings Green Farm on the left just before the A600 junction.

Please note: You may be familiar with the English School of Falconry and Bird of Prey Centre when it was located at Old Warden, near Biggleswade. Their current location is just a few miles away.

By Public Transport

Unfortunately there are no scheduled bus services which stop nearby. The nearest train station is Bedford Main station approximately 20 minutes by taxi from the venue.

Map



<http://www.google.co.uk/maps/@52.0951927,-0.4413167,14z?hl=en>

REFRESHMENTS

Tea and Coffee will be available on arrival and a buffet lunch is provided in your course price (vegetarians and special dietary requirements please let us know when booking).

CONTACT DETAILS

For all enquiries before the morning of your course, please call 07748 127542 or email southmidlands@goingdigital.co.uk. If there are any problems on the morning of your course, please contact your Tutor's mobile provided with your reminder a few days before.

WHAT TO BRING

- You will need your camera. Ensure it has fresh/fully charged batteries and a spare battery is recommended. Facilities are available for charging batteries during the day but please remember to bring your charger and power lead.
- If you have a DSLR camera then you are welcome to bring your whole range of lenses as there may be opportunities to use them. A zoom lens of up to 300mm will be most useful throughout the day, while larger aperture lenses (e.g. 70-200mm F2.8) can be useful for flight photography to allow increased shutter speeds.
- You will need your fully-detailed camera, lens and accessories instruction manuals which help you and your tutor in the case of any difficulties.
- It is essential that you start the day with empty, preferably newly formatted, memory cards. Please remember that when photographing wildlife you will often take many more images than you might for other subjects so ensure you have sufficient with you.
- We will be outside for most of the day so a camera bag is useful for protecting your camera and equipment, and either a dedicated rainproof cover or a transparent plastic bag and some sticky tape to make a good, temporary waterproof cover for your camera.
- Bring a monopod (if you have one), particularly if you have heavier lenses. You are welcome to bring a tripod (again, if you have one) which will be most useful when photographing static birds.
- You will be outside for most of the day so be prepared to dress for wet and/or cold conditions at any time of year and, during the summer, have protective headgear and clothing.
- You will not be walking large distances (no more than a few hundred metres) but we will be on grass for much of the time so waterproof footwear will be useful. A garden kneeler or similar may be a good idea to get low for some photos.