

## ***Trust for Nature Role Description***



**Position:** Trust for Nature Volunteer

**Program:** Conservation Program

**Location:** Gippsland (x 4), Mallee (x2), Wimmera (x2) and Northeast Victoria (x2)

**Time commitment:** Five to ten days a year during Spring &/or Autumn

**Reports to:** Stewardship Coordinator

### **Introduction**

Trust for Nature is a not-for-profit organisation that works to protect native plants and wildlife in cooperation with private landowners. The Trust was established in 1972 to provide a way for people to donate money or land to protect native vegetation that is found on private properties across the State. We have since evolved into one of Victoria's primary private land conservation organisations, with several tools to help people protect biodiversity on their land.

### **Our Mission**

We work collaboratively to protect nature on private land forever.

### **Role Context**

The Expert Volunteers Program is a new program established by Trust for Nature with philanthropic funding support. It aims to complement the Trust's existing stewardship program by providing volunteer opportunities for like-minded individuals with knowledge and experience about Victoria's natural environment and conservation management to engage with conservation landowners. This is an opportunity to contribute in a practical way to the protection and improvement of Victoria's natural environment.

### **Proposed Activities**

Volunteers will visit landholders to chat about the natural values of the land and its management, including feedback on any issues or areas where landholders are seeking information or advice.

### **Skill and Attributes**

We are looking for people with:

- knowledge about Victorian ecosystems, flora and fauna;
- understanding of natural resource management;
- high level of interpersonal skills;
- reliability and willingness to adhere to Trust for Nature's safe work practices and guidelines;
- general physical fitness;
- own transport and driver's license;
- current first-aid training (desirable).

As with all positions with Trust for Nature, a National Police Check is required to be conducted as part of the selection process.

### **Trust for Nature support**

- a positive and equal-opportunity work environment
- a safe working environment and provision of appropriate training and equipment to conduct work safely
- all volunteers will complete an organisational and safety induction as part of their training
- Personal Accident insurance cover