## **SKOMER ISLAND/CELTIC DEEP BOAT TRIPS**

TRIP 1: THREE PEMBROKESHIRE ISLANDS

TRIP 2: THE CELTIC DEEP







# THREE PEMBROKESHIRE ISLANDS PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOP

JOIN AWARD-WINNING SEABIRD PHOTOGRAPHER & AUTHOR OF PUFFINS: LIFE ON THE ATLANTIC EDGE KEVIN MORGANS, ALONG WITH LOCAL PEMBROKESHIRE PHOTOGRAPHER AND EXPERIENCED SKOMER GUIDE RACHEL MULLETT. FOR A 6 HOUR TRIP WHICH WILL BE FOCUSSING ON WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY AROUND THE ISLANDS OF SKOMER, SKOKHOLM AND GRASSHOLM.

During the trip there's even a rare opportunity to snorkel with and/or photograph puffins underwater with co-guides Richard and Emma (this is an optional extra and guests can remain on board photographing from the deck if they prefer). After Skomer we will head over to Skokholm Island where we will see more puffins and seals which haul out on the rocks. Then we head to Grassholm which has a large gannet population where you will see gannets returning with nesting material and diving for food. If we're very lucky we may even spot some common dolphin on our route. On our return we hope to see manx shearwater starting to raft on the water.

Pembrokeshire waters are renowned for their spectacular breeding bird populations, seals and dolphin and with experienced guides there will be some very good opportunities for spectacular photography.

## **★ WORKSHOP DATES**

15<sup>TH</sup> May 2024 – PLACES AVAILABLE 10<sup>TH</sup> June 2024 - PLACES AVAILABLE 24<sup>TH</sup> June 2024 - PLACES AVAILABLE

## **★ PRICE**

£195 per person: £45 deposit required when booking and the remaining £150 payable 8 weeks before trip

## **★** WILDLIFE

Atlantic grey seals, Puffins, Guillemots, Razorbills, Gannets, Manx shearwater, Fulmars, Lesser Black-backed Gull; Great Black-backed Gull, Herring Gull, Common dolphins, Porpoise, Sunfish, Risso dolphin & jellyfish.



## **EXPLORE THE CELTIC DEEP**

JOIN RACHEL MULLETT, KEVIN MORGANS FOR A 10 HOUR PELAGIC SEABIRD AND CETACEAN TRIP TO THE CELTIC DEEP AND SMALLS LIGHTHOUSE TAKING IN THE GANNET COLONY OF GRASSHOLM

This area of water off the Pembrokeshire Coast is becoming world renowned for its wildlife. Feeding tuna, dolphin, fin whale, minke whale and blue shark are amongst some of the wildlife seen here along with spectacular birds such as manx shearwaters, storm petrel, skuas and gannets with even the odd surprise like leatherback turtle spots. On this trip we will also take in the Smalls Lighthouse which is very atmospheric and Grassholm Island with its large gannet colony. You'll need multiple memory cards for a day like this out on the water and with three experienced guides you'll be well placed to capture fabulous images of what Pembrokeshire waters have to offer.

These trips are weather dependant so good travel insurance will be needed although guests will be refunded if the boat is unable to run.

## **★ WORKSHOP DATES**

17<sup>TH</sup> June 2024

## **★ PRICE**

**£230 per person**: £60 deposit required when booking and the remaining £180 payable 8 weeks before trip

**BRIEF:** A trip to the Celtic Deep is a full day trip. Most are 9-10 hrs leaving early in the morning 7.30- 8am and returning in the evening 6.30 - 7.30pm.

The travel time out and back to the Deep is approximately 2-2.5 hours each way. There is plenty to see on our way with whale watching, dolphin action and birds galore.







## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION**

## **★** MEETING POINT

**Lockley Lodge Carpark** Marloes Pembrokeshire **SA62 3BJ** 

## **★ PRICE INCLUDES**

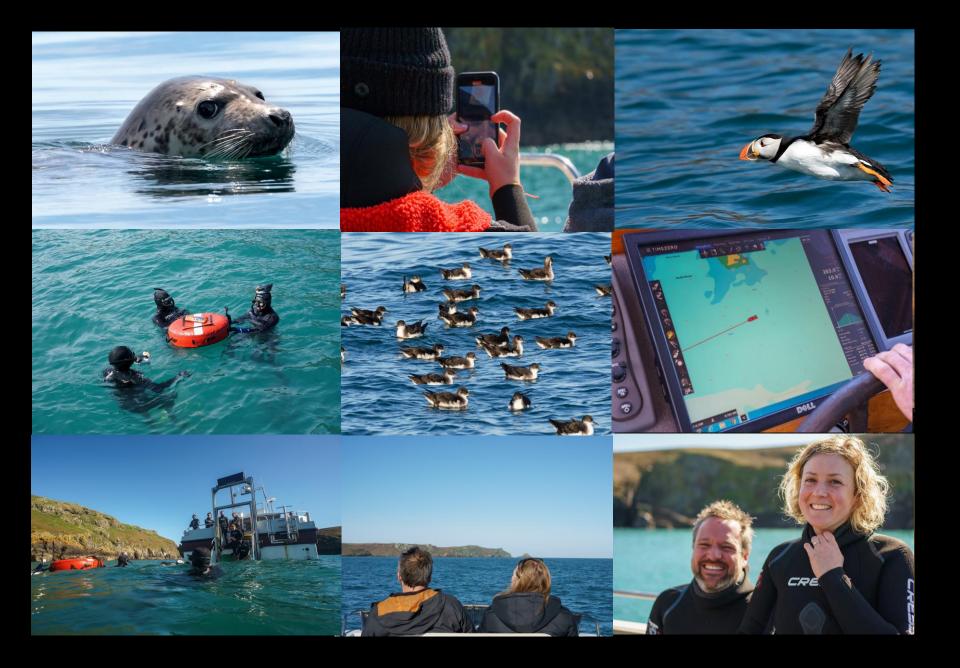
- Tuition and expertise of x2 professional wildlife photographers

  • Knowledge of a
- wildlife/snorkelling expert on board

## **★** PRICE EXCLUDES

- Accommodation night before departureCar park feesSnacks/Packed Lunch

- Personal/Accident & Travel Insurance







## **★** THE GUIDES

#### **★ KEVIN MORGANS**

Kevin is a multi-award-winning wildlife photographer, tour leader, and photographic guide. His work with Atlantic puffins recently won the prestigious portfolio prize in Bird Photographer of the Year, along with the publication of his book, Puffins: Life On The Atlantic Edge. Kevin has a passion for photographing UK wildlife. He is an experienced guide who has been running 1-1 and group workshops for many years, using this experience to pass on his knowledge of the natural world and how best to capture it.

## **★ RACHEL MULLETT**

Rachel, a local Pembrokeshire photographer, holds a Commercial Licence from the SWWWT to take photography groups to Skomer Island and has run day landing workshops there for the last two years along with taking overnight photography groups to the Skomer Island. She has run a very successful photographic souvenir business in Pembrokeshire for the last ten years.

#### **★ RICHARD REES**

Rich is an accomplished freediver, marine conservation biologist and the cofounder and director of <u>Maldives Whale Shark Research Programme</u>. Returning home to Pembrokeshire and seeking boat-based adventure it didn't take long for Rich to venture offshore in search of sharks. What he found blew him away. He knew that the incredible wildlife spectacles he witnessed did not tally with the general perception of UK marine wildlife.

## **★ EMMA WILLIAMS**

Emma is a marine biologist and ocean conservationist, dedicated to exploring and studying the ocean. She is particularly interested in sharks, rays and skates and the impacts of anthropogenic activities. She has contributed to a range of marine projects around the world



"The Skomer Island photography workshop was a perfect blend of learning, photography, natural beauty, and camaraderie. Rachel and Kevin's hospitality, combined with their extensive knowledge and the sheer beauty of Skomer Island, made this experience truly magical.

I wholeheartedly recommend this workshop to anyone passionate about photography and nature. I assure you, you will return with not just beautiful photographs but memories that will last a lifetime"

#### **ROSE – OVERNIGHT SKOMER WORKSHOP**

"I waited 3 years to stay on Skomer and Kevin and Rachel's knowledge of the island, puffin behavior, and photography techniques made it worth the wait. It is a magical place and with their help, I got some amazing photos. I plan to go again next year!

I cannot say enough about how much I enjoyed the experience. Thank you Rachel and Kevin"

#### **ZOE – OVERNIGHT SKOMER WORKSHOP**

"Just spent a wonderful two days on Skomer, photographing puffins and other birds with Pembrokeshire Moments. Rachel and Kevin are a great team. They are both accomplished photographers who are happy to share their knowledge and help you to get the best out of your time on the island.

They will do their utmost to get you in the right position at the right time and advise you on the best way to get them. Highly recommended!"

#### RACHEL - OVERNIGHT SKOMER WORKSHOP

"A wonderful 2 night overnight stay on Skomer - thank you both so much for taking us to the best spots at the best times - for the chat, lovely food, non intrusive guidance and for sorting out my back button focus mystery!!!"

**KAY – OVERNIGHT SKOMER WORKSHOP** 

"An absolutely amazing trip. Both Rachel and Kevin were brilliant! \*\*\*\*\*

JULIE – OVERNIGHT SKOMER WORKSHOP

