

Falconhigh



Falconry Course with Philip Oldham

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Falconhigh's aim is to teach you every aspect of falconry in a very hands-on, practical and enjoyable way. We will also make sure you are in contact with the birds on day one of your course!

Apart from firsthand experience of handling and fitting the equipment to a bird of prey you will also receive a practical on imping and coping, you will fly the birds and perhaps be lucky enough to meet a bird going through the early stages of training.

WHAT YOU WILL LEARN DURING THE COURSE

OWNING A BIRD

- If you want to own your own bird of prey you will learn about the laws governing falconry in the UK including 'Article 10', the Wildlife and Countryside Act, the Abandonment of Animals Act, DEFRA, the Independent Bird Register (IBR) and laws regarding hunting.



BUYING A BIRD

- Where and what to look for to make sure you are buying a healthy bird and the paperwork involved.

HOUSING AND EQUIPMENT

- Housing your bird of prey and the equipment needed to keep, maintain and fly your bird. You will experience making leather anklets, mews jesses and flying jesses; putting a swivel and leash on to the mews jesses and tethering a bird using the Falconer's Knot.



- You will then have a go at fitting all the equipment to one of our birds.

TRAINING

- You will learn about each stage of training and what it involves from manning (sitting on the fist and feeding on the fist), stepping up, jumping to the fist, flying on the creance and flying free.



HEALTH AND SICKNESS

- Condition and health – daily routine of the falconer; keeping a log book; weighing your bird, low, high and flying 'condition'; feeding your bird; imping feathers and coping talons and beak.



- Anatomy, medical problems and solutions.



Please ask for more details and a course leaflet to take away with you. For more information on Falconhigh, where to see other displays and booking arrangements for corporate days, birthday parties and country shows please ask Phil or one of the team.

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