

## Join Our Team as a Volunteer Diet Preparation Assistant!

Are you passionate about animals and interested in making a difference behind the scenes? Willowbank Wildlife Reserve is looking for enthusiastic volunteers to assist with food preparation for our diverse range of residents.

**Role Overview:** As a Diet Preparation Volunteer, you will play a vital role in ensuring our animals receive the high-quality, species-specific diets they need to thrive. Your day will start at 8.30am with preparing native food diets until approximately 10:30 AM, followed by working on exotic and farm animal food preparation.

### Key Responsibilities:

- Prepare food for our native, exotic and farm animals ensuring their unique dietary requirements are met.
- Handle and prepare a variety of fresh ingredients (including meat).
- Prepare diets following species specific diet sheets.
- Keep the diet preparation area clean and organized.
- Handle and store food items safely, maintaining hygiene standards.
- Work collaboratively with our team to support the animals' well-being.

### Skills and Requirements:

- **Minimum one year commitment**
- **Food Preparation Skills:** Experience or comfort with preparing food safely and hygienically, preferably in a kitchen or animal care setting.
- **Attention to Detail:** Ability to follow specific instructions, measure ingredients accurately, and understand dietary variations.
- **Commitment to Animal Welfare:** A strong interest in animal care and dedication to supporting animal health through proper nutrition.
- **Physical Requirements:** Ability to stand for extended periods, lift food containers (up to 5kg), and handle a variety of food items.
- **Team Player:** Willingness to work closely with staff and other volunteers in a supportive environment.
- Reliable and enthusiastic individuals with a passion for animals.
- Comfortable handling fresh produce and working in a kitchen environment.
- Good organizational skills and attention to detail.
- Ability to commit to morning shifts starting at 8:00 AM – 12PM

**What's in It for You?**

- Gain unique experience working alongside our skilled exotics team.
- Be part of a friendly, dedicated team making a real impact.
- Contribute directly to the welfare of our animals.
- Build valuable skills in animal care and diet preparation.
- Enjoy the rewarding experience of contributing to wildlife conservation.

Join us in supporting the incredible animals at Willowbank Wildlife Reserve – your time and skills can make a difference!