

# When I grow up, I want to be a...Wildlife Refuge Specialist!

<https://careers.doi.gov/occupational-series/wildlife-refuge-management>

## What Do Wildlife Refuge Specialists Do?

There are over 530 folks working in Wildlife Refuge Management at DOI. Wildlife Refuges are special places set aside to protect and benefit wildlife and people too. These Refuges include all different kinds of habitats, from deserts to deep oceans, and from Alaska to the Caribbean islands. The Wildlife Refuge specialists observe and collect information about nature and wildlife and share important information that helps tell the story of the refuge with visitors and people interested in wildlife. They also come up with plans to keep refuges safe places for wildlife and help improve these places for the future.



Bureaus that employ Wildlife Refuge Specialists:



This is a job for you, if you enjoy:

- Protecting wildlife and our shared lands
- Studying the natural world and sharing what you know with others
- Working in a variety of places, including the outdoors

## Age-Appropriate Activities

Activities for Ages 4 Years and Under:

- [Find your nearest wildlife refuge](#)
- [National Wildlife Refuge System coloring book \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Into the Wilderness on National Wildlife Refuges Coloring Book](#)

Activities for Ages 5 – 8 Years:

- [Find your nearest wildlife refuge](#)
- [Find your way to the National Wildlife Refuge System coloring pages](#)
- [Into the Wilderness on National Wildlife Refuges Coloring Book](#)

- [National Wildlife Refuge System coloring book \(Spanish\)](#)
- [Junior Duck Stamp Conservation Program](#)

Activities for Ages 9+ Years:

- [Find your nearest wildlife refuge](#)
- [Junior Duck Stamp Conservation Program](#)
- [FWS Wildlife Videos Made for Kids](#)