

# Butterfly and Orchid Workshop

Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> June 2019 (or Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> June in case of poor weather)

Numbers are limited so places will be allocated on a first come, first served basis.

Cost: £7 Per Person – Members

£9 Per Person – Non-Members

Meeting time and place will be confirmed closer to the date.

We will visit a number of different reserves in North Lancashire/South Cumbria, depending on what is currently being reported. Locations could include Meathop Moss, Arnside Knott, Warton Crag, Latterbarrow and/or Gaitbarrow.

The day will be led by David Morris, Regional Reserve Manager (North) for the RSPB.

David is a passionate naturalist, who lives and works in the Morecambe Bay and Forest of Bowland areas.

We will travel in our own cars to a meeting point, where David will brief us on the day's activities and guide us to our first reserve.

We can expect to see a variety of species including butterflies e.g. Duke of Burgundy, Red Veined Fritillary, Pearl Bordered Fritillary, Large Heath, Comma, Meadow Brown, Brown Argus.

Orchids include Lady's Slipper Orchid, Greater Butterfly Orchid, Northern Marsh Orchid, Fly Orchid, Common Spotted Orchid.

Day flying moths including the White Spotted Sable, plus other rare moths that frequent limestone pavements around the Morecambe Bay area.

Other limestone pavement loving plants – Stinking Helleborine, Herb Paris, and bog specialities e.g. Cranberry, Bog Aspinall, Round-Leaved Sundew.

Possible bird sightings could include: Osprey, Tree Pipit, Woodland Species like Marsh Tit and Hawfinch.