



Job Title	Father Christmas
Department	VA
Reports to	Lolly Stanhope-White
Direct Reports	NA
Working hours and pattern	6th, 7th, 13th, 14th, 20th, 21st, 22nd & 23rd December 2025 9am to 4pm

Purpose of this role
The purpose of this role is to deliver <i>The Newt in Somerset's St Nicholas experience</i> , a central highlight of the festive programme. Father Christmas will create a magical and memorable visit for guests, portraying the spirit of Christmas through storytelling, gift-giving, and guest interaction. Working alongside Christmas Helpers, the role ensures the grotto operates smoothly and visitors enjoy an authentic, enchanting festive encounter.
Responsibilities
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent The Newt in Somerset with professionalism, ensuring all visitors receive an exceptional and memorable experience. • Portray Father Christmas (St Nicholas) with warmth, authenticity, and festive cheer. • Greet and engage children, families, and guests, staying in character at all times. • Deliver a magical and immersive experience through storytelling, conversation, and personalised gift-giving. • Pose for photographs with guests to enhance their visit. • Work collaboratively with Christmas Helpers to coordinate guest flow, timings, and logistics. • Maintain festive atmosphere in the grotto throughout the day. • Wear and maintain the Father Christmas costume, including beard/wig.
Characteristics needed for this role
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Warm, friendly, and approachable, able to embody the cheer and merriment of Father Christmas. • Energetic and vibrant, capable of consistently delivering brilliant experiences to a wide range of people. • Committed to putting visitors first, ensuring the last visitor of the day has as magical an experience as the first. • Detail-oriented, able to adapt interactions to ensure each guest feels their visit is unique. • Comfort in costume and festive performance. • Confidence in public speaking and engaging with children.
Characteristics desired for this role
NA
Skills and experience needed for this role
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DBS checked (essential) or willing to be DBS checked



<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Background in acting, performance, or entertainment.
Skills and experience desired for this role
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Excellent communication skills with the ability to engage enthusiastically with all visitors.• Strong time management, ensuring punctual and smooth delivery of each experience.• Experience working with and entertaining members of the public on a daily basis.
Qualifications needed for this role
NA
Qualifications desired for this role
NA
What systems will be used in this role?
NA