

IV NATURE AND ECOTOURISM PHOTOGRAPH CONTEST

“Instituto Jane Goodall”

1 - ORGANIZER

NATURCYL Fair's fourth edition will take place on 24th-26th of September 2021 in the Montaña Palentina Natural Park, specifically in Cervera de Pisuerga, a small town in Castilla y León, in the North of Spain. As in previous editions, the Fair will exhibit a wide range of opportunities to know unique places and products to enjoy wildlife, from delicious organic food to the best binoculars in the market, and it will be a fantastic occasion to meet people who work in the ecotourism area or just love spending their holidays in a natural and rural environment.

This year we are extremely fortunate to have the collaboration of the **“Jane Goodall Institute”**. The Jane Goodall Institute is a global non-profit organization, founded in 1977 by Dr. Goodall, whose mission is: “To understand and protect chimpanzees, as well as other great apes and their habitats, and to inspire and empower people to make the world a better place for animals and humans, in a healthy environment”.

Jane Goodall is the celebrated English primatologist who has revolutionized science since 1960 through her innovative methods and her fascinating discoveries about the behavior of wild chimpanzees in Gombe, Tanzania. As in the last decades, at 85 years old, Dr. Goodall continues to work intensely in the protection of ecosystems and biodiversity, environmental education and sustainability in our way of life, traveling the world 300 days a year in her work as a conservation activist. The vision of the IJG, based on the philosophy of Dr. Jane Goodall, is: **“A healthy planet where people live sustainably and in harmony with animals and their environment.”**

In the context of the above, this nature and ecotourism photography contest **“Naturcyl - Jane Goodall Institute”** is being developed.



BASES OF PARTICIPATION:

2 - CONTESTANTS

The competition is open to all members of the public. Everyone can apply, professionals or amateurs, regardless of age or nationality. The contest rules can be found in the website www.naturcyl.es

3 - TOPICS AND CATEGORIES

Ecotourism is a sustainable activity which allows us to enjoy nature, preserve it and support local economy at the same time. Taking this into account, the jury will reward outstanding images across five categories. Photographers should consider the category description when entering their work. Judges are also looking for good composition, creativity and clear photographs.

Category 1 - ECOTOURISM AND RURAL SPACES

Trekking, wildlife watching, climbing... pictures with a preservation and ecotourism message.

Category 2 - EXPERIENCING LANDSCAPE

Two different options:

A - Iberian landscape

Photographs that show the landscape value of the Iberian Peninsula, images with a high aesthetic or artistic value, will be awarded.

B - Landscape from Castilla y León

Castilla y León is one of the most biodiverse regions in Europe. Its great extension favors the diversity of habitats and landscapes. Photographs that show the landscape value of this Community, images with a high aesthetic or artistic value will be awarded.



Category 3 - IBERIAN ANIMAL WILDLIFE

Pictures of any type of animal which can be found in Spain and Portugal. Images showing the daily life and behaviour of the species and the challenge of getting them will be specifically considered. No pictures taken to animals in captivity or which are evidence of any animal harm will be accepted.

Category 4 - IBERIAN FLORA

The plant world does not have as many followers as bird watching or watching bears, lynxes and wolves, but it is certainly also an exciting activity and many times very close to us.

For this reason we want to reward and value photographs that show us the incredible life of plants, their diversity, their varieties and their rarities. No pictures taken to garden plants or which have been cut for this purpose will be accepted.

Category 5 - ASTRONOMY

Astronomy is the science that studies everything related to the universe, and today, it has also become an ecotourism activity with thousands of followers around the world. The search for dark and unpolluted skies directs this flow of sky watchers to the most isolated and best-preserved natural spaces.

For this reason we want to reward and value photographs that show us the incredible celestial dome anywhere in the world.

Category 6 - PROTECTED NATURAL SPACES OF THE WORLD

The protection of certain natural spaces is essential for the conservation of ecosystems



and species, both flora and fauna and all their associated cultural values. These protected natural areas are being the most decisive tool for the conservation of nature and the fight against climate change, with more than 120,000 places under some category of protection around the world.

For this reason we want to reward and value photographs that show us the enormous diversity of protected natural spaces on this planet.

4 - PHOTOGRAPHS FORMAT, DEADLINE AND SUBMISSION

No picture previously awarded will be accepted.

Images should have 1500 pixels in the longer side and should be no larger than 3 Mb, with no cutting, frame or other added element.

Authors will be able to submit up to 5 pictures for every category, maximum 30 pictures in all. They will be charged 2€ per picture sent.

The deadline for submission is from **7th June 2021 to 5th September 2021 - 23:59 local time.**

For the submission, a form which can be found in the webpage **www.naturcyl.es** should be filled in with the following information: author's name and surname, email address, DNI or passport number, contact telephone number and picture title.

5 - AWARDS AND CONTEST DECISION

A shortlist of photographers will be selected and announced in the awards ceremony during the Fair. Before that, authors shortlisted will be notified by email or telephone and informed about the date and time of the prize giving.

The winners will be chosen from the shortlist and announced during the very moment of the prize giving ceremony. The jury's decision will be final.



There will be 10 awards: first prize (overall winner), second prize, third prize and six more prizes, one for each category. There will also be 21 honour awards (3 for each category). All the awarded images will be part of a photographic exhibition.

- **Naturcyl 2021 First Prize (overall winner) consists of:**

- o A 10-days trip for one person to the Dindéfélo Communal Natural Reserve in Senegal, to know through the Jane Goodall Institute one of the most beautiful natural landscapes in Western Africa. (For further information see the details about the trip).
- o Pack of 3 books published by Náyade Nature Books.
- o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
- o Certificate.

- **Naturcyl 2021 Second Prize consists of:**

- o A 10-day trip for one person to Costa Rica, a paradise of biodiversity. With the expert collaboration of TRC Viajes you will be able to know from north to south the Caribbean coast of the Costa Rican country. An essential trip to soak up the culture and nature of this Central American country. Emblematic natural spaces such as the Tortuguero National Park and the Cahuita National Park with its coral reefs will be visited. There will also be the opportunity to visit indigenous communities such as the Birbri. (For further information see the details about the trip).
- o Pack of 3 books published by Náyade Nature Books.
- o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
- o Certificate.



- **Naturcyl 2021 Third Prize consists of:**

- o A 7-days trip for one person to the Orango National Park in Guinea Bissau, to know through the Fundación CBD Hábitat a sustainable tourism project. It includes a visit to the Bijagós islands. (For further information see details about the trip).
- o Pack of 3 books published by Náyade Nature Books.
- o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
- o Certificate.

- **Prize "Ecotourism and rural spaces" Category consists of:**

- o Bresser battery for camping
- o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
- o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
- o Certificate.

- **Prize "Iberian Landscapes" Category consists of:**

- o Binocular Bresser Bak 4 / lentes ed multicoating.
- o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
- o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
- o Certificate.



- **Prize "Landscape from Castilla y León" Category consists of:**
 - o Pack of 2 binoculars + 2 National Geographic walkies
 - o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
 - o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
 - o Certificate.

- **Prize "Iberian Wildlife" Category consists of:**
 - o Bresser day and night photo trapping camera
 - o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
 - o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
 - o Certificate.

- **Prize "Iberian Flora" Category consists of:**
 - o Sport National Geographic Explorer 6 camera with complete pack of accessories, including harness and light.
 - o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
 - o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
 - o Certificate.



- **Prize Protected natural spaces of the world consistis of:**
 - o Bresser Tripod Pro photo & video.
 - o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
 - o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
 - o Certificate.

- **Prize "Astronomy" Category:**
 - o Bresser Terrestrial Telescope 20-60 x 85 + adaptator for cameras
 - o Guide of Natural Protected Areas in Castilla y León
 - o A 2-days stay for two persons in a double bedroom offered by Posadas Reales de Castilla y León.
 - o Certificate.

- **Honour awards:**
 - o Certificate



6 – COPYRIGHT AND DATA PROTECTION

Every contestant should be the sole owner and author of each entry and the only owner of the property rights of the images submitted. Each entry should not infringe upon the property rights of any third person or entity.

Shortlisted and winning photographers understand that any image submitted to the contest may be used by Naturcyl for marketing and promotional purposes in connection of the competition, always including the author's name. For other possible uses, related to Naturcyl's activities, the photographer would be asked for permission

Notwithstanding the foregoing, the authors of the images will retain full ownership of the copyright in each entry. Naturcyl will not accept any proposal of commercial use, reproduction or sale coming from a third party of the entries, neither of the photographers' personal data. The digital files will not be sent back, they will be deleted when the contest is finished.

All personal information provided by the photopgraphers will be used by the Organisation in accordance with its Privacy Policy (*Ley Orgánica 15/1999, 13 December*) and they will have the right of access, modify and cancel it.

7 - OTHER CONSIDERATIONS

Standard digital development adjustments and moderate cuttings of the images will be accepted, as well as photopgraphs obtained by multiple takings, use of HDR, panoramic pictures, photopgraphs transformed into black and white images and toning. Nevertheless, no image manipulations which make the final result show a different reality from the original one, or pictures which result from selective conversions of part of them, will be accepted.

By entering Naturcyl 2021 Photograph Contest participants hereby accept these competition rules.



8 - INSTRUCTIONS AND GUIDANCE

Read the instructions carefully.

Submit original photographs which have not been previously awarded and represent the contest philosophy. Consider the category description when entering your images.

Prepare the digital files according to the requirements. Moderate editing tools can be used. But keep pictures as faithful a representation of reality as possible.

Keep the original file of the camera (RAW or JPEG), the Organization could ask for it.

Provide a valid email address when filling the form because this will be the means of communication.

Entries should be submitted from 7th June to 5th September 2021.

For further details, an email can be sent to: info@naturcyl.es

