Birds Up Close and Personal
The Simar photography hide

Photographers are invited to book and make use of the photography hide at Simar Nature Reserve.

Get a chance to take close-range pictures of birds like **Kingfisher**, **Coot**, **Moorhen**, **Water Rail** and smaller wintering birds like **Chiffchaff** and **Robin**.

Bookings for one-hour sessions are available on the following days/times:

- **Mondays, Wednesdays & Fridays**
  2pm to 5pm
- **Sundays 10pm to 3pm**

**Booking terms and conditions**

Photographers are expected to abide by the following rules:

- Photographers will only be permitted into the hide once proof of payment is provided.
- Booking is for one hour, on the hour. Latecomers will not be permitted to extend their stay beyond their allotted slot. Following their session the photographers are of course welcome to stay longer in the birdwatching hide or visitor centre if they wish.
- Mobile phones are to be kept on silent at all times.
- Use of bird callers is strictly prohibited.
- Photographers are not to leave the hide at any time during their session.
- No disturbance of any kind is allowed at the reserve.
- BirdLife Malta reserves the right to cancel bookings if it deems the use of the photography hide might disturb any particular birds present.

To book scan the QR code.

Rates per 1-hour session
- €2 donation (BirdLife Malta members)
- €5 donation (non-members)

All proceeds will go towards the upkeep of the same photographic facilities.

In case of difficulty email photography@birdlifemalta.org.

Photographers are encouraged to tag Simar Nature Reserve (@SimarNatureReserve) and BirdLife Malta (@birdlifemalta) in photos uploaded to the social media. We would also appreciate receiving regular photographs and/or footage taken at our nature reserve to enrich our media archive, as well as to use in our printed material, newsletter, website and the social media. Any material used will be duly credited to the photographer.