



THE BOTANIST

EST. FOUNDATION 2015

Funding Application

Funding Strategy

The aim of The Botanist Foundation is to work with the people of Islay and beyond to further the understanding and conservation of the island's biodiversity. We acknowledge that there are threats to wild plant communities posed by human-induced factors. These include climate change, habitat loss and transformation, over and under exploitation, alien invasive species, pollution, clearing for agriculture and other developments.

Funding Strategy Guidance

We work to implement and offer support to conservation programs appropriate to the maintenance of sustainable populations of key plant species and pollinators through consultation with appropriately qualified external authorities on matters relating to conservation, biodiversity and sustainability.

Although we work primarily with local organisations, we will support other compatible bodies by way of project funding, memberships and donations. We will look favourably upon funding proposals concerning the sustainability and conservation of national biodiversity out with Islay. However, Islay based projects will always be our priority.

All applicants must be able to demonstrate a real understanding and knowledge of the proposal they are seeking funding for. They must also indicate the key outcomes that the funding will help deliver, provide a fully costed project where appropriate and indicate additional funding sources, both agreed and in discussion at the time of application.



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The Botanist Foundation requests to be acknowledged as a funding provider in all circumstances, unless otherwise agreed. We also reserve the right to broadcast our involvement, unless otherwise agreed.

We are sorry but we will not be able to consider applications for funding for projects associated with:

- Projects incompatible with the Funding Strategy outlined above
- Religious practices
- Health and medical services other than plant-based research
- Retrospective funding
- People and animal welfare charities

All applicants should show evidence they have assessed the risk of the project to

- a) Themselves
- b) The Botanist Foundation
- c) The environment

Examples of risk could be – timescale delay, budget overspend, adverse publicity.

Organisations should include a clearly accountable management structure.



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1 Name and contact details of organisation/person applying for funding

2 Main aims and activities of organisation/person applying

3. Which aims of the Foundation does this application support? (see overpage).

4. Amount of funding required and for what purposes

5. What outputs are expected and in what timescale?



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6. How will success be measured/evaluated?

7. Details of other funding applied for or already obtained.

8. Details of insurance if applicable

9. Is/are Health & Safety Risk Assessment(s) required?

10. Reputational Risk Assessment. Are there any risks to reputation of the Foundation or the Botanist Brand or Bruichladdich Distillery Company Ltd?

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Please submit this application to foundation@thebotanist.com.