



## Blue Reef Aquarium in Portsmouth seeks Catering Manager

Salary range: £18,000 - £19,000

### Permanent position

#### About Blue Reef Aquarium Portsmouth

Our award winning Blue Reef aquarium, located on the South coast is home to an array of animals in over 45 naturally themed exhibits from around the world from the British coast, the Mediterranean, coral reef and the tropical rainforest.

#### About the Role

The Blue Reef Café is set right on Southsea Seafront, open to aquarium customers and those visiting the seafront alike. Our aim is to ensure that the cafe is seen as an integral quality part of the Blue Reef Aquarium Portsmouth visitor experience, but also worthy of a visit in its own right. In this varied role you will lead and inspire your team to engage with guests, create a hospitable and welcoming atmosphere and be dedicated to delivering quality results, whilst always maintaining the highest standards.

This position is permanent working full time; the role would be working 5 days out of 7, based on 40 hours per week. Normal hours would be between 8.30am and 7pm with exceptions made for stock-take and other special events. Flexibility is required to meet the needs of our business and shifts will include regular weekends, evenings and bank holidays.

#### About You

You are passionate about food, hospitality and standards. You are brimming with ideas and enthusiasm and able to lead and obtain buy in from your team. Confident in all aspects of managing a catering operation taking a hands on approach; As comfortable in the kitchen as you are front of house and able to manage priorities in this sometimes demanding seasonal business. You will join the Duty Management team to assist in cover on a regular basis.

#### The Benefits

Along with inspiring experiences and exciting challenges benefits also include a competitive salary, free family entry into all Aspro Parks, staff discount across our many products. Holidays start at 30 days per year, rising to 33 days following 3 years' service.

#### About Aspro Parks

Blue Reef Aquarium Portsmouth is part of Aspro Parks, a Spanish multinational company with its headquarters based in Madrid. Aspro owns and operates over 65 leisure attractions across Europe, 10 of which are located in the UK.

#### How to Apply

If interested, please send your CV & covering letter to: Janeen Yates, Aspro UK Group HR Manager, c/o Blue Planet Aquarium, Cheshire Oaks, Cheshire, CH65 9LF. Or email us at: [recruitment@asprouk.com](mailto:recruitment@asprouk.com). Your application letter should highlight why you would be able to fulfil this key role within the organisation and clearly demonstrate how you meet our requirements. Please outline your salary expectations.

We are committed to Equal Opportunities.

#### Closing Date:

We do recognize the time and effort it takes to apply for a position, but as an employer of choice we receive a high volume of applications and in the interests of economy, Aspro UK does not notify candidates who have been unsuccessful in their application; consequently if you have not heard from us within 4 weeks of the closing date, please assume that you have not been successful on this occasion.

**Work Location: Blue Reef Aquarium, Portsmouth, Hampshire, PO5 3PB**