

# Vacancy: Reforestation Ranger (s)

## Overview

Sint Eustatius National Parks Foundation (STENAPA) is seeking to employ two rangers to support the continuation of our reforestation efforts on the island. After hurricane Irma, in September 2017, hundreds of trees were uprooted in and around Oranjestad and there was significant damage to forests elsewhere on the island. Due to the magnitude of the damage, Statia's reforestation became one of STENAPA's priorities. STENAPA's project, ReforeStatia, aims to plant trees and native vegetation to prevent erosion, reduce water runoff, support soil moisture retention, retain coastal ecosystems and is vital for natural functioning ecosystems and the overall health of the island. The Rangers for the ReforeStatia project will work with the ReforeStatia Coordinator and will be part of the National Parks Foundation Terrestrial Team.

#### **Key Responsibilities**

- Maintenance of the greenhouses and watering system.
- Problem-solving of technical issues/maintenance of tools and equipment.
- Collecting and propagating native species for replanting.
- Acting as the point of contact for visitors, school groups, and volunteers.
- Planting and fencing designated plots.
- Supporting other projects undertaken within the national parks.
- Conducting scientific monitoring on reforestation sites.

#### **Personal Specification and Qualifications**

- Relevant experience (e.g., working with reforestation, plant propagation, or agriculture). A Bachelor's in a related field is desirable, but everyone is encouraged to apply.
- Prior experience working on ecological restoration projects, ideally in the Caribbean region, is desirable.
- Knowledge or willingness to learn about local flora.
- Driver's license.
- Ability to work independently and deliver results.
- Physically fit and able to work outdoors in a variety of weather conditions.





### **Additional Information**

- Health insurance included.
- Full-time position (40 hours/week).
- The expected start date for this position is February 1, 2025

Sint Eustatius, part of the Caribbean Netherlands, is a small (21 sq. km./8.1 sq. Miles, population 3,250) Island located in the Lesser Antilles of the Caribbean. STENAPA is responsible for the management of the National Parks Boven/Quill, the Marine Park and the Botanical Garden. The organization also works on conservation of flora and fauna outside of the National Parks. www.statiapark.org

Send CV and motivation letter to info@statiapark.org. Closing date 15 of January 2025. For questions about this position, please contact jethro.vanthul@statiapark.org

