



SUMMER 2010 NJA Rancocas Nature Center Camps

NATURE EXPLORERS

FOR GRADES 1 TO 2 (as of Sept. 2010)

Full-Day—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.* AM only—9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

*Full-day campers must bring their lunch.

Critters and Creatures—Session 1: June 28 to July 2
Campers will have fun while discovering the creatures both great and small that inhabit the diverse habitats of the preserve.

Who's Who on the Trails—Session 2: July 5 to July 9
Who do we hear? What signs do we see? What evidence can we find to prove that Rancocas is home to a variety of wildlife. Campers will have a chance to explore the nature center trails and beyond for plants, animals, and fungi.

Reptiles and Amphibians—Session 3: July 12 to July 16
Rancocas is home to 13 species of reptiles and amphibians. Cold-blooded creatures use special strategies to survive in New Jersey. Campers will explore their special habitats and learn about their adaptations.

Earth, Wind, and Water—The Forces of Nature
Session 4: July 19 to July 23
Digging in the dirt, moving with the wind, and splashing in the water, campers will discover how the forces of nature—and man—impact our environment.

Holy Habitat, Batman!—Session 5: July 26 to July 30
Explore some of the superheroes of our center's habitats. Campers will learn about the special "powers" of local wildlife and discover who might be the villains.

Spiders, Insects, and Worms, Oh My!
Session 6: August 2 to August 6
It's always exciting to explore the fascinating world of invertebrates. Campers will visit forests, meadows, and streams to discover where these animals live and interact.

Windows on the World—Session 7: August 9 to August 13
Rancocas is a great place to view the natural world. Whether we're on the inside looking out or on the outside looking in, it's always fun to explore. Campers will learn to use binoculars, magnifying glasses, and other optics to discover things small and far away.

RANCOCAS RANGERS

FOR GRADES 3 TO 5 (as of Sept. 2010)

Full-Day—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.* AM only—9 a.m. to 12 p.m.

*Full-day campers must bring their lunch.

Adventures with Animals—Session 1: June 28 to July 2
Rancocas is home to a surprising diversity of wild animals and an assortment of residents, too. Campers will learn about the animal groups commonly seen or we find signs of, and they will take part in the care and feeding of the animals at the center.

Habitat Detectives—Session 2: July 5 to July 9
The signs of Rancocas' wild animals are all around us. Sometimes we discover their hiding places, but mostly they are an elusive group. Campers will learn skills that help them hunt for clues.

Scales and Tails—Session 3: July 12 to July 16
This fascinating group of animals with scaly skin and tails is an important part of the Rancocas food chain. Campers will discover the best spots in the preserve where reptiles and amphibians nest, hunt, and hide.

Eco-Explorations—Session 4: July 19 to July 23
Eco is short for ecology, the study of organisms and the environment. Campers will explore the Rancocas center grounds and look for animal and plant interactions and the way things work in the natural world.

Heroes and Villains—Session 5: July 26 to July 30
What makes a hero so special and a villain so vile? Sometimes it's not so easy to tell the difference. Campers will learn about the balance in nature and how all living creatures have a purpose and are part of the whole.

Invertebrate Investigations—Session 6: Aug. 2 to Aug. 6
Not everyone needs a backbone to be strong and survive. Campers will become familiar with the large group of invertebrate animals and how they are an important and beautiful part of forests, meadows, and streams.

Micro and Macro Mayhem—Session 7: Aug. 9 to Aug. 13
Tiny and big, close up and far away—there are things we want to investigate all around us. Campers will learn to use binoculars, loupes, microscopes, and cameras to explore and record what they want to see.

AUDUBON JR. NATURALISTS

FOR GRADES 6 TO 8 (as of Sept. 2010)

Monday, July 26 to Friday, July 30 only
9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

This program is geared toward young teens with a strong interest in nature and the outdoors. Campers will explore Rancocas' habitats with a NJ Audubon naturalist and earn a NJA Junior Naturalist Certificate by completing hands-on activities. Campers must bring their lunch.

Activities Include:

- ◇ New Jersey Wildlife
- ◇ Stream Study
- ◇ Topography, Maps, and Orienteering
- ◇ Survival Strategies and Shelter Building
- ◇ Naturalist Detective Skills

Cost:

Nature Explorers:

- Full-Day—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—\$220.00**
- AM only—9 a.m. to 12 p.m.—\$130.00**

Rancocas Rangers:

- Full-Day—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—\$220.00**
- AM only—9 a.m. to 12 p.m.—\$130.00**

Audubon Jr. Naturalists:

- Full-Day—9 a.m. to 4 p.m.—\$235.00**

**Register before April 15, 2010, for 20% off discounts.

Please note: All campers must be NJ Audubon members.
NJA Family membership is \$35/year for new memberships and \$45/year for renewals.

Registration forms are available:

- ⇒ online at: www.njaudubon.org/centers/rancocas
- ⇒ at the center: 794 Rancocas Road, Mt Holly, NJ
- ⇒ or by calling: 609-261-2495 to request a mailed form

"Early-bird Discount"

Register by April 15, 2010 to receive a 20% discount.

Regular Price: \$130.00.....	20% Off: \$104.00
Regular Price: \$220.00.....	20% Off: \$176.00
Regular Price: \$235.00.....	20% Off: \$188.00