

Scherman Hoffman Sanctuaries

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ISLAND EXPLORERS CAMP 2018

Island Explorers Session 1 – Meet Monday, June 25 at 1:00 pm. Island Explorers Session 2 – Meet Monday, July 9 at 1:00 pm. Island Explorers Session 3 – Meet Monday, July 30 at 1:00 pm.

WHAT TO BRING:

We'll be in, around, and on the water every day; bathing suits, tee shirts, shorts, and closed-toe shoes will be perfect attire during the day. We will be inside the screened porch at night.

NJA and Sedge will have binoculars, field guides, a spotting scope, extra sunscreen, extra insect repellent, kayaks, personnel flotation devices (life jackets must be worn during all water activities), water testing equipment, microscopes, nets, and some fishing gear. Leaders will have cell phones in waterproof containers day and night.

- 1. Sunscreen (SPF 15 or higher); apply early and frequently
- 2. Insect Repellent (non-aerosol); more DEET= more protection **but** this is a powerful chemical, so read the warning label carefully
- 3. Bring a reusable water bottle along to refill throughout the day. We will bring gallon jugs of water from the mainland to last us the week.
- 4. Sunglasses (with lanyard to prevent loss): polarized lenses allow better underwater visibility
- 5. Campers must *bring* and *wear* a hat (with brim for sun protection)!
- 6. Closed-toe shoes or old sneakers (must be worn during all water activities)
- 7. Long pants and long sleeved shirt (for sun and insect protection)
- 8. Change of underwear for 4 days
- 9. Bathing suit and towel
- 10. Rain coat or wind breaker (poncho not recommended, too windy)
- 11. Warm sweatshirt
- 12. Flashlight
- 13. Personal hygiene products, towel and washcloth
- 14. Sleeping bag or sheets and pillow case (blankets and pillow are supplied)
- 15. Sleepwear

Optional Personal Items

- 1. Camera
- 2. Binoculars
- 3. Fishing rod and tackle
- 4. Snacks
- 5. Money (a little pocket money in case we visit the mainland).



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WHAT NOT TO BRING:

- 1. Portable listening devices including: ipod, Walkman, boom box, etc.
- 2. Cell phone, beeper, etc.
- 3. Jewelry, watch, or other expensive items
- 4. Anything that would be ruined if it gets wet

STAFF:

There will be 2 NJ Audubon Educators and 2 Sedge Island Educators at each camp.

Robin Anderson, NJ Audubon Lead Summer Camp Educator (Camp 1)

Robin is an Earth Science middle school teacher with many years of teaching experience. She has extensive experience in Environmental Education and has traveled extensively. Robin has taught our overnight campers for the past 9 years and enjoys sharing the out of doors with students.

Lydia Stiles, NJ Audubon Lead Summer Camp Educator (Camps 2 and 3)

Lydia is a certified elementary teacher of biological sciences, and has over 14 years of environmental education and teaching experience in physical, earth, and life sciences. She is currently a middle school teacher.

Jessica DiStasio, NJ Audubon Summer Camp Educator

Jessica received her Bachelor of Marine Science from The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey, and has been a co-leader at our Island Explorers camp. She previously interned at Sedge Island for the NJ Division of Fish and Wildlife.

Jim Merritt, PhD, Director of the Sedge Island Natural Resource Education Center, NJDEP Division of Fish and Wildlife.

Jim taught at Montclair State University and at the NJ School of Conservation in Stokes State Forest and was also a high school teacher for ten years.

We will also have several interns helping our group. Jim usually arranges to have a researcher working in the bay meet with our group.

Mike Anderson will be assisting at the boat launch on Monday. Mike's cell phone number is 973-216-2049. Call if you need directions or if you are going to be late. He can also be reached at the office at 908-396-6386.

If you have any questions email Stephanie at stephanie.punnett@njaudubon.org or call 908-396-6594, or Mike Skagerlind at mike.skagerlind@njaudubon.org or call 908-396-6553.

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