

Adventure Camp (Ages 11 - 13)

2022 Weekly Themes & Schedule



Journeyman Adventure campers meet Monday through Friday from 9:00 am – 3:30 pm each day, except for Late-night Adventure Thursdays when they stay for a cookout and campfire games until 8:00pm.



Wild Water Worlds (June 20 – June 24)

TBD – Dates for this week based on snow days. Check back for availability.

Discover our amazing local wetlands and the wildlife within them. Explore tide pools, sein-net fish, help a horseshoe-crab tagging project, swim, and splash along the shores of Long Island Sound. Learn how to canoe as we search area ponds and lakes for turtles, frogs, fish, and other wetland critters. Wade cool shaded streams in search of aquatic creatures and explore marshes teeming with life. Don't miss

this week of wild wetland adventures.

Identification Masters (June 27 – July 1)

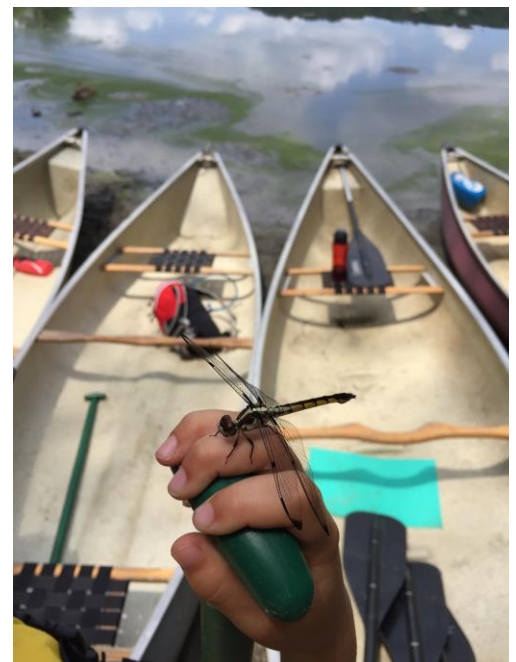
Learn how to identify everything from dragonflies and birds to trees and frogs! Make your own butterfly/dragonfly nets, master the use of binoculars and other science equipment, and aid in land stewardship efforts. Then, with your teammates, put your newfound knowledge to use, as we crisscross our region in search of all creatures great and small. Your team's challenge: Find more than 200 different species of plants and animals in a week. Can your team do it? We'll contribute our findings to iNaturalist, eBird, and other community science projects, as well.

Paddle Masters (July 5 – July 8)

A canoe can take you to hidden places inaccessible by foot where wildlife often shelter. Come explore our regional waterways in search of local creatures and good times on the water, while mastering your paddling skills. We'll have lunch on an island, visit a series of chain lakes, paddle in ponds, and enjoy scenic lakes and rivers. There will be swimming, and time to explore the shores during this week of water-filled adventure.

Survival and Robotics Week – Natural and Man-Made Challenges (July 11 – July 15)

See what it takes to survive in the wild and how local wildlife thrives in their habitats. In the mornings, learn basic survival skills, including shelter- and fire-building, knot tying, first aid, and knife work, while exploring the great outdoors for wildlife. In the afternoons, build your engineering prowess tackling robotics projects using LEGO Robotics. Challenge yourself; test your abilities and learn some new ones! **No Thursday late-night** this week.



Where the Wild Things Are – Tracking and signs (July 18 – July 22)

Our region of CT/NY is filled with amazing creatures. Join us as we trek through beautiful preserves to explore open fields, shaded forests, wetlands, and waterways in search of wildlife. As we investigate these wildlands, we'll learn how to interpret the clues left behind by the critters who call them home. If you're looking for an adventure in paradise, you have found it!



Identification Olympics (July 25 – July 30)

Late summer offers new wildlife identification challenges. Come wade into rivers, wander forests, climb ridges, and explore wetlands as we visit a series of new and premier sites in search of wildlife. Again, we'll challenge your team to find and identify more than 200 different species of plants and animals in a week. Are you up for the challenge? Learn new citizen science skills, find new creatures, and make new friends as we track and identify local wildlife!

Explore the Outdoors (August 1 – August 5)

Test your knowledge and learn new skills as we visit the many amazing places that critters call home. From hidden waterways to meandering streams, scenic cascades to ancient forests, we'll search out wildlife where they live. Whether we're hiking ridgelines with amazing views, visiting the Leatherman's Cave, or wading after turtles in a stream, there's a world of hidden treasures to discover in our end of the summer sampler. Join us for adventures to remember!

A weekly fee of \$550 features:

- Maximum of 12 campers per session (counselor-camper ratio of 1:6).
- Off-site field trips exploring local hideaways, trails, and waterways by foot and canoe.
- Thursday late-night fireside/cookout experience in the "wilds" of the Nature Center
- Dinner for Thursday Late-night Adventure.
- Two experienced, highly trained staff with certifications in Wilderness First Aid, CPR, Lifeguarding & Small Watercraft Safety