

Complete List of Educational Programs at Wolfe's Neck Woods State Park

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As of March 2015

Programs at the Park:

- Free with park admission.
- State of Maine Schools get free entry by reservation during the school year.
- Starred (*) programs are wheelchair accessible.

Animals Wintering - Add to your knowledge and appreciation of the ways in which the park's animals survive winter.

Casco Bay Walk – Enjoy views of islands and rocky shores on this one-mile walk along the beautiful Casco Bay Trail.

Dragonflies and Damselflies – Learn about these amazing insects in fact and folklore.

Drawing From Nature – Use observational drawing as a way to get up close and personal with the wildlife in the park. Drawing materials will be provided, though visitors are invited to bring their own if they prefer.

Exploring Clamming – Learn about the life and times of the soft-shell clam through an introduction and history of clamming in Maine.

Fall in the Forest - Fall is a great time to get to know the trees, and this program is a fun way to do it.

Fond of Fronds – Learn about the multitude of fern species that inhabit our forest and how to identify them.

Guided Tree Hunt* - Learn to identify the main species of trees present in the park.

Habitat Hunt - Increase your knowledge, understanding, and appreciation of habitats within the park.

Hike with the Ranger – Enjoy the best that the park has to offer in this season on this hike with a knowledgeable guide.

In the Pines* - Tour the pine forest on our accessible path and see why Maine is the Pine Tree State.

Osprey Watch* - Stop by the osprey sign opposite Googins Island any time between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. for a close look at the ospreys.

Plants Alive in a Cold World - Learn the strategies of the park's plants for surviving winter.

Preschool Nature Explorations – Join us as we read a story about nature, do a related craft, and then enjoy a short hike in the park.

Reading Animal Tracks – Learn about the park's animals and how to identify their tracks.

Ready, Set, Sleep! - Discover how nature prepares for winter in this program for children and fun-loving adults.

Secrets of the Shore – Discover secrets of life in the salt marsh, mud flats, gravel beach, and rocky shore.

Signs of Spring - Look for signs of spring including newly arrived birds, fragrant Trailing Arbutus and other wildflowers.

Small Wonders* - Discover extra-ordinary things in nature that are hiding right before your eyes. (Hand lenses provided.)

Spring Birds at Wolfe's Neck - Look for resident, migrating, and newly arrived birds, possibly ospreys. Bring your binoculars.



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Steamer Dig - Learn about the life and times of the soft-shell clam. Then try your hand at digging this delicacy of the deep mud. (Bring mud sneakers or high boots and clam hoe or spading fork.)

Stories in Stone - Get to know the story of Maine's beautiful rockbound coast on this walk with short talks and activities.

Stroll with the Ranger* – Enjoy a leisurely stroll on the accessible White Pines Trail with knowledge-able guide.

The Edge of the Sea - Enjoy a walk, short talks, and activities on the natural history and ecology of our varied shores.

The Shore Tour* - Learn about our varied shore through talks, activities, and views along the accessible path.

Tide Pools - Visit this informal program on the rocky shore near Googins Island any time between 2:00 and 3:00 p.m. to discover the secrets of a tide pool.

Tree Hunt* - Stop by the benches to get your papers for this fun, self-guiding hunt, and then come back afterwards to see how well you did.

Treetops to Tide Pools* - Participate in sensory activities that introduce the park to children and fun-loving adults.

Welcome Tour - Get to know the things that live in the park's forest and on its shores on this eye-opening tour.

Who Lived Here Before Us? – Learn about the former inhabitants of this land, and how we can

still see signs of the past today in this historical nature walk.

Wildflower Walk - come for a walk in the woods to enjoy the spring wildflowers of Wolfe's Neck Woods with a knowledgeable guide.

Wild Relatives – Everyone has them! Get acquainted with the wild relatives of things in and around your home on this tour.

Winter Birds at Wolfe's Neck - Discover the needs and adaptations of the park's birds and the ways in which people can help birds around their homes survive winter.

Winter in the Woods - Increase your understanding and appreciation of some of the ways in which plants and animals survive winter.

Winter Tree ID- Learn how to identify trees in the park's forest using their winter characteristics.

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Outreach Programs:

- Offered in the Freeport area.

Animal Tracks and Signs – Learn to spot signs of animals in the forest and make a plaster cast of a footprint of one of our native animals.

Iconic Flora and Fauna of Maine from Prehistory to the Present Day - Come join us on a journey, from the retreat of the glaciers to the modern day, and learn about the animals and plants that embody the changing face of Maine.

Mammals of Maine – A fun introduction to what a mammal is and the mammals that call our state home.

