

# Overnights at Moose Hill

*Spend the night under the stars or spend the night inside the Nature Center.*

## Outdoor Overnights

Moose Hill has a field perfect for camping out under the stars. A barrel is available for outdoor cooking and campfire programs. Please note that outdoor fires are dependent on approval from the Sharon Fire Department. Moose Hill will provide plenty of firewood and water for putting out the fire at the end of the night.

A restroom and potable water source is located a short walk away.

Typically programs begin at 4 p.m. with the troop setting up, eating dinner, and getting ready for the night. If you arrive earlier, you may schedule an Afternoon Program Option. Please note that a staff naturalist will only be present during the scheduled Program Options and will not sleep out with your troop. The Sanctuary Director and Property Manager both live on-site and will act as your after-hours emergency contact. Your troop needs to provide all camping equipment, food, and primary supervision and first-aid care of the children. You may drive one vehicle to the site and keep it there over night.

Troop Time is time for your troop to set-up/clean-up camp, make and eat meals, or whatever other programming you design.

In the event of inclement weather, Billings Barn is available.



### Possible Outdoor Overnight Schedules

2:30 p.m. Arrival and Afternoon Program Option (1.5 hours) Badge work or seasonal natural history hike. Activities are conducted before set-up.

4 p.m. Troop Time

7:30 p.m. Night Hike Option (1.5 hours)

Explore the sanctuary after dark (or at dusk). Call for owls, compare your eyes to that of a nocturnal animal, gaze at the stars, and more.

9:30 p.m. Troop Time

Following Morning: Troop Time

10 a.m. Depart

**OR**

4 p.m. Arrival and Troop Time

7:30 p.m. Night Hike Option (1.5 hours)

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9:00 p.m. Troop Time

Following Morning: Troop Time.

10 a.m. Depart

## Indoor Overnights

Not quite ready for the rigors of an outdoor overnight? Spend the night inside the Nature Center! The troop spends the night on the Nature Center floor in the art gallery. An indoor fireplace, kitchen facilities, and restrooms are available for your use.

Indoor Overnights begin at 7 p.m. and end the following morning at 9 a.m. The program includes a night hike and early morning hike/program. A staff naturalist will lead all programs and be in the building overnight. Your troop needs to provide all camping equipment, food, and primary supervision and first-aid care of the children.

Troop Time is time for your troop to set-up/clean-up, make and eat meals, or whatever other programming you design.

### Indoor Overnight Schedule

7 p.m. Arrive and Troop Time

7:30 p.m. Night Hike (1.5 hours)

Explore the sanctuary after dark (or at dusk). Call for owls, compare your eyes to that of a nocturnal animal, gaze at the stars, and more.

9:00 p.m. Troop Time

Next Morning

7 a.m. Morning Program (1 hour)

Revisit the sanctuary with activities and badge work.

8 a.m. Troop Time/Pack up

9 a.m. Depart

## Fees

### *Outdoor Overnights (June - Sept.)*

Maximum 14 tents

#### No Program Option:

\$15/person

Minimum fee: \$150

**OR**

#### Night Hike Option:

\$18/person

Minimum fee: \$180

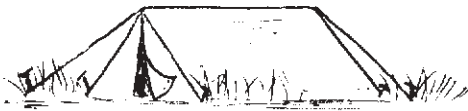
**OR**

#### Night Hike and Afternoon Program Option:

\$20/person

Minimum fee: \$200

*For children's outdoor overnights: Adult chaperones are free.*



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### *Indoor Overnights (year-round)*

Maximum 25 people (children + adults)

#### Night Hike and Morning Program

\$28/child

\$8/chaperone

Minimum fee: \$280

*One adult per 10 children is suggested.*

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### **For Any Overnight Program...**

All overnight programs require a \$50 non-refundable deposit to secure the date.

Overnights can be held rain or shine.

## *Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary*

Moose Hill Wildlife Sanctuary, located in Sharon and established in 1916, is the oldest Massachusetts Audubon Society sanctuary and one of the oldest private wildlife sanctuaries in the United States. Moose Hill protects over 2,200 acres of forests, fields and wetland habitats. The Sanctuary offers a wide variety of programs and services for children, adults, families, schools, scouts and community groups. The office and gift shop is open weekdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m and weekends from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.. The trails are open everyday. Members hike for free. The trail fee for non-members is \$4 for adults and \$3 for children and seniors. Children three and under are free. For more information about membership, programs and other events call (781) 784-5691.

### *Mass Audubon*

The Massachusetts Audubon Society is the largest conservation organization in New England, concentrating its efforts on protecting the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife. Mass Audubon protects more than 30,000 acres of conservation land, conducts educational programs for 250,000 children and adults annually, and advocates for sound environmental policies at the local, state, and federal levels. Established in 1896 and supported by 65,000 member households, Mass Audubon maintains 43 wildlife sanctuaries that are open to the public and serve as the base for its conservation, education, and advocacy work across the state. For more information or to become a member, call 800-AUDUBON (283-8266) or visit [www.massaudubon.org](http://www.massaudubon.org).



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## *Overnight Programs*

