

Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary

Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary is cooperatively managed by the Mass Audubon and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation. The sanctuary encompasses 245 acres of forest, field, and wetland habitats, each offering exciting opportunities for nature exploration. The 2 miles of trails on the sanctuary include a scenic boardwalk across a pond and marsh, and a trail for the visually impaired. Indoors, the visitor center contains displays on various natural history topics, program space, and a gift shop with nature-oriented items.

Educational programming on site takes advantage of the unique features of this varied landscape. Stony Brook's staff is well versed in ecological and educational concepts and strives to provide only the highest quality programs stressing hands-on, experiential learning.

Mass Audubon

Mass Audubon protects 37,000 acres of land throughout Massachusetts, saving birds and other wildlife, and making nature accessible to all. As Massachusetts' largest nature conservation nonprofit, we welcome more than a half million visitors a year to our wildlife sanctuaries and 20 nature centers. From inspiring hilltop views to breathtaking coastal landscapes, serene woods, and working farms, we believe in protecting our state's natural treasures for wildlife and for all people—a vision shared in 1896 by our founders, two extraordinary Boston women. Today, Mass Audubon is a nationally recognized environmental education leader, offering thousands of camp, school, and adult programs that get over 225,000 kids and adults outdoors every year. With more than 125,000 members and supporters, we advocate on Beacon Hill and beyond, and conduct conservation research to preserve the natural heritage of our beautiful state for today's and future generations. We welcome you to explore a nearby sanctuary, find inspiration, and get involved. Learn how at massaudubon.org.

Birthdays are Wild at Stony Brook!


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Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary Birthday Parties



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Celebrate Your Birthday at Stony Brook!

Bring your friends and family for a fun, educational outdoor birthday celebration! Birthday party programs are designed for children turning 4 years old and older. Parties are two hours in length.

Birthday Parties include age-appropriate activities, in which children and a Stony Brook Audubon Teacher explore one of seven themes. Spend the first hour of your party exploring your chosen theme with our staff. In the second hour, share your cake and gifts in our downstairs program room. This room includes a full kitchen, tables and chairs. Decorate the room anyway you'd like and clean up afterwards for a truly ecological event!

Birthday Party Themes

Pond Learn about the creatures who live in and around the pond.

Field Explore the field food web. Search for clues on a field scavenger hunt.

Forest Investigate the forest in search of wildlife. Become a "quick critter" and escape a hungry fox.

Bugs! Explore forest and field in search of creepy crawlies as we learn about insects.

Sensory Scavenger Hunt Use your senses to explore the natural world.

Creatures of the Night Learn about the creatures you don't often see. Those who come out at night.

Tracking Learn to identify some basic track patterns. Find out who is walking in the woods in winter. (November through February only)

Scheduling your party

We schedule birthday programs year round. Parties are held on weekdays from 3:30-5:30 p.m. or on weekends from 10:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. or 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Parties must be booked at least two weeks in advance.

To schedule a party contact Marla Cohen, at 508-528-3140 or send an email to mcohen@massaudubon.org.

Fees

Members \$120 first 12 children
Non-Members \$140 first 12 children
Each additional child is \$10
Maximum number of children 24

A nonrefundable deposit of \$50 and signed rental agreement are required in order to confirm date and time of party. This deposit and a signed agreement should be received within a week of booking. **Note:** If your party numbers require more than one naturalist, you will be charged for the full amount unless you call at least a week in advance to change your numbers.

Please call 508-528-3140 or email stonybrook@massaudubon.org for availability.



Details:

Stony Brook provides:

Program leader for one hour

Private party room with set up of tables and chairs

Refrigerator

You provide:

Decorations, party supplies (no balloons please!) and refreshments.

Supervision of the children both during the walk and during the second hour.



All parties have an outdoor component. Parties are NOT canceled due to rain. We will go out rain, snow or shine to explore the beauty of the landscape and its creatures.

Please ensure your guests are dressed for the weather, remember good shoes are a must. We will not go out in thunderstorms, hail, or other severe weather conditions.



Driving Directions

From Rt I-495: Take exit 15 (Rt 1A). Follow Rt 1A north for 4 miles to the intersection of Rt 1A and Rt 115 in Norfolk. Turn left and follow Rt 115 north for 1.5 miles and turn left onto North Street. The sanctuary is a few hundred feet ahead on the right.

From Rt I-95 north: Take exit 9 (Rt 1). Follow Rt 1 south for approximately 5 miles (pass the Gillette Stadium on the left). At the intersection of Rt 1 and Pine Street (at a traffic light), turn right onto Pine Street. At the end of Pine Street, turn right on Rt 115 north. After 2.5 miles, turn left onto North Street. The sanctuary is a few hundred feet ahead on the right.

From Rt I-95 south: Take exit 6B, for I-495. Follow directions above "From Rt I-495."

