STONY BROOK NATURE CAMP
Welcome to Stony Brook Nature Camp

At Stony Brook Nature Camp in Norfolk, children have the freedom to explore! Campers ages 4.5–15 discover our wildlife sanctuary’s forest, fields, and wetlands during weekly sessions. Trail explorations, hands-on activities, games, crafts, and more provide full ecosystem immersion for an enhanced learning experience, while small group sizes ensure a welcoming, supportive environment.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Call 508-528-3140
Email stonybrookcamp@massaudubon.org
Visit massaudubon.org/stonybrookcamp

A DAY AT CAMP

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OUR CAMP STAFF
We are passionate about sharing the joy and excitement of the outdoors with campers. Year after year, we receive exceptional feedback about our counselors’ creativity and enthusiasm. Staff members are carefully selected for their maturity, caring attitude towards children, and outdoor education and leadership experience. All staff undergo background checks, are certified in CPR and first aid, and receive training in health and safety procedures, child development, natural history, and environmental education best practices.

Mass Audubon requires that all staff, regardless of their work location, disclose their vaccination status. Proof of vaccination status is required immediately upon hire.

OUR CAMP DIRECTOR
Marla Cohen (she/her/hers) joined the Mass Audubon family in 1997 and became Stony Brook’s Camp Director and Education Coordinator in 2001. She holds a Bachelor of Science in Zoology from Ohio University. Outside of camp, Marla spends her time developing and teaching nature programming for local schools, scouts, and families.

OUR COMMITMENT TO DIVERSITY & INCLUSION
At Mass Audubon Camps, we strive to create a safe, inclusive, and caring camp environment where each person is respected and supported in their learning and growth. We believe that diversity—both in nature and in our human communities—is essential to strength, resilience, and innovation, and we are committed to recognizing the unique contributions of each community member.

MORE FOR MEMBERS
Mass Audubon membership benefits don’t end when the summer’s over; membership includes year-round free admission to our statewide network of wildlife sanctuaries, where the whole family can explore and enjoy the outdoors. Members also enjoy great savings on nature programs and gift shop purchases. Learn more at massaudubon.org/membership.

COVID-19 SAFETY
The health and welfare of our campers and staff remains our highest priority. We feel confident that the success of Mass Audubon Camps in designing and offering a safe summer of camping in 2020 and 2021 will guide us into another great summer in 2022. We will continue to stay informed and engaged with the work of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health and the American Camp Association to ensure best practices with regard to staying safe as we move through the developing phases of the COVID-19 pandemic. For the latest updates on COVID-19 safety at camp, visit massaudubon.org/camps.

Extended Day Options
$95 per week for members; $160 per week for nonmembers

BEFORE-CAMP PROGRAM
7:45–8:50 am
Campers will spend their pre-camp morning engaged in quiet games and crafts. Please note: Breakfast is not provided. Parents should ensure that campers have eaten a hearty breakfast or bring a small snack.

AFTER-CAMP PROGRAM
3:30–5:00 pm
Campers will spend their post-camp afternoon engaged in games, short hike and crafts. Campers who sign up for this option should bring a second snack for the afternoon.
CAMPER GROUPS & FEES

9:00 am–3:30 pm

$390 members;
$460 nonmembers, per week

Age-appropriate activities deepen campers’ knowledge and awareness of nature as they return throughout the summer and years. Each one-week session has a different theme to investigate. (See page 4 for weekly themes.)

Discoverers Ages 4.5–5
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5
Young children are naturally curious about the outdoors, eager to see a turtle, smell a flower, feel the cool underside of a log, and search for animal homes in the woods. Discoverers are introduced to plants and animals through outdoor explorations, crafts, games, songs, and stories.

Wanderers Ages 5–6
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 5
Wanderers learn about Stony Brook’s many ecosystems and what may be found within them. Simple observations and investigations build a foundation of interest and desire to learn more in years to come. Wanderers begin their initiation into the natural world through short hikes, hands-on activities, and creative endeavors.

Ramblers Ages 7–8
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 8
Ramblers conduct ecosystem investigations at Stony Brook. On daily outings, they use their senses to identify familiar species of plants and animals. Ramblers are encouraged to explore their own areas of interest and further develop their social skills as they participate in activities, games, and crafts.

Explorers Ages 9–10
Counselor-to-Camper Ratio: 1 to 10
Explorers study their surrounding environment in depth, learning about complex ecological concepts. This group explores the far reaches of Stony Brook as they participate in activities, games, and crafts.
Nuts About Nature
June 20–24
Discover who lives in Stony Brook’s wetlands, forests and fields and learn about insects, birds, and flying mammals. Search for reptiles and amphibians and explore our swamps, ponds, and vernal pool.

Slugs to Bugs
June 27–July 1
Do you get excited about slime and the creepy crawly things that live under logs? Then this is the camp for you! Beetles, slugs, and centipedes are just a few animals we’ll find and study up close this week.

Climate Pirates: Sailing Towards Sustainability
July 5–8*
The climate is changing and we need to do some positive re-arranging! Imagine sailing across the seven seas, charting new territories, surveying the land and its abundant resources. How can we use these resources respectfully and responsibly to create a sustainable, eco-conscious existence here? Learn about simple ways we can reduce our impact on our home planet. Onward, Climate Pirates! *No camp on July 4. Session prorated to $365 for members, $435 for nonmembers.

Spectacular Science
July 11–15
Things are not always as they seem. Uncover the remarkable ways in which our world works through a series of spectacular experiments. We will explore the phenomena of weather, the compulsion of magnets, the power of bubbles, and more!

Trash to Treasure
July 18–22
Break out your creative thinking cap as we turn all kinds of thing you might recycle or throw away into awesome crafts. Create abstract sculptures, crazy critters, or fun masks. Explore how far your imagination can go as you transform someone else’s trash into your own creative treasures!

Summer Sleuths
July 25–29
Your mission, should you choose to accept it, is to unravel mysteries; decipher codes; and solve scavenger hunts, challenges, and more! Bring your spy gear and get ready to search for clues!

Bizarre Nature
August 1–5
It’s a dirty job and we get to do it! Explore some of nature’s best work like insects and fungus, examine bacteria under a microscope, and play with soil. It’s time to get hands-on with nature’s weird creatures’ features.

Swamp Romp
August 8–12
Dive into the wonders of wetlands! Reveal hidden frogs and fish and search for a really big snapping turtle. Head to the ponds with dip nets to look for dragonfly nymphs and other small critters. Enjoy all of the “pondemonium” Stony Brook has to offer.

Camp Rewind
August 15–19
What was your favorite part of camp? Did you love the science experiments? Did you want to do some more ponding? Do you want to scream “Alligator!” one more time? Then you’re in luck; this is the week you get to plan as we put the entire summer on rewind.

"Our kids came home with exciting stories of their day. First time we ever tried camp and they can’t wait to come back!"

— 2021 Camp Parent
If you’re a fan of card games where the characters grow and evolve, then here’s your chance to design your own game. Using the creatures and habitats at Stony Brook as our starting point, spend the week developing and designing cards for this new and exciting game.

Outdoor Leaders
August 1–5 • Ages 13–15
$415 members; $485 nonmembers
Do you have what it takes to be a leader? Challenge yourself to find out! Develop your leadership skills while having fun with time-honored camp activities. Develop a community service project and kid-friendly nature activities that will prepare you to become a Counselor-in-Training (CIT).

DIY Nature
July 5–8 • Ages 11–13
$390 members; $460 nonmembers
Curious how you might make a basket or wind chimes out of an invasive plant? Wondering how to whittle pretend flutes? Interested in weaving grasses or carving a wooden stamp? If you love to work with your hands and are interested in using nature as a resource for crafting, this week of camp is for you!

Adventurers
July 18–22 • Ages 11–13
$415 members; $485 nonmembers
Who knew that studying the ecosystems at Stony Brook could be so much fun! Venture into the science behind the sanctuary’s research programs. Activities will include dragonfly mark and recapture, turtle and wetland surveys, biodiversity and conservation-based games, and more!
TO REGISTER FOR CAMP
Call  508–528–3140
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REGISTRATION CONFIRMATION
A confirmation e-mail containing important documents and information will be sent once your camper’s registration has been processed.

DEPOSIT
A nonrefundable deposit of $50/camper/session is required to register for camp. The deposit will be applied to your camp tuition and cannot be transferred to another camper, family or camp location. If registering after May 2, payment in full is required (unless a payment plan has been established with the Camp Director).

REFUND POLICY
A full refund, minus the nonrefundable deposit, is provided to camp families who cancel in writing on or before May 2 (unless a payment plan has been established with the Camp Director). After May 2 no refund is available. Deposits are not transferable, and refunds are not given for participant dismissal, failure to attend, absence or sick days. If we must cancel a session, you will receive a full refund.

MEMBERSHIP & DISCOUNTS
Mass Audubon members at the Family level or above receive a discounted rate. To qualify, your membership must be current through your camper’s last session, and you must be the parent, grandparent, or legal guardian of the camper being enrolled. Membership can be purchased or renewed at the time of registration.

IMPORTANT DEADLINES
All camp forms, waivers, and the balance of your camp tuition are due by May 2. If registering after May 2, payment in full is required and a specific camp form deadline will be set for you. A camper cannot attend camp and their spot is not guaranteed until all forms, waivers, and payments are completed (or a payment plan has been established). A fee of $25 per camper will be charged for incomplete or late forms and waivers.

CAMPER REQUIREMENTS
Campers are expected to be able to follow all COVID-19 safety protocols, to be determined by the start of camp based on the latest guidelines from the Massachusetts Department of Public Health. Visit massaudubon.org/camps for the latest information about COVID-19 safety at Mass Audubon Camps.

All campers must follow stated behavior expectations and safety rules. To ensure a successful camp experience, please discuss any pertinent information regarding your child’s needs with the Camp Director. We strive to make camp a great experience for all, and we can accommodate on a case-by-case basis. The Camp Director reserves the right to dismiss a camper when, in their judgment, the camper’s behavior interferes with the rights of others or violates the camp’s safety and behavior policies. In such cases no refunds will be provided. If you have any questions regarding your child’s ability to participate in our camp program, please contact the Camp Director.

CAMP LICENSE
Our camp complies with the regulations of the Massachusetts Department of Public Health (105 CMR 430) and is licensed by the Norfolk Board of Health.

FINANCIAL AID
We believe connection with the natural world should be available to all. If finances are getting in the way of a summer at Stony Brook Nature Camp, financial assistance is available based on demonstrated financial need and available funds. Scholarships are limited to one session per child; however, all applications are considered and will be accepted on a rolling basis. Payment plan options are also available upon request. Please visit massaudubon.org/campforms to download a scholarship application.
There’s more to explore at Wildwood, Mass Audubon’s overnight camp in New Hampshire:

• Overnight Camp, ages 7–14
• Day Camp, ages 6–11
• Teen Adventure Trips, ages 14–17
• Environmental Leadership for Teens, ages 16–17
• Family Camp, all ages!

Visit massaudubon.org/wildwood or call 866-627-2267 to learn more.

Mass Audubon is the largest nature-based conservation organization in New England. Founded in 1896 by two women who fought for the protection of birds, Mass Audubon carries on their legacy by focusing on the greatest challenges facing the environment today: the loss of biodiversity, inequitable access to nature, and climate change.

With the help of our 140,000 members and supporters, we protect wildlife, conserve and restore resilient land, advocate for impactful environmental policies, offer nationally recognized education programs for adults and children, and provide endless opportunities to experience the outdoors at our wildlife sanctuaries. Explore, find inspiration, and take action at massaudubon.org.