

Graystone Ranch
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2011 SUMMER CAMP FIELD TRIP CALENDAR

SUMMER SPECIAL: ALL SUMMER CAMP VISITORS RECEIVE FREE LUNCHES!!!

The eight field trips listed below are offered this season on a weekly basis. We have twenty-three more classes available if these do not fit your camps theme. Visit our web site for a full course listing (click on educational programs) and photographs!!! Remember, if your group signs up for the full summer program, **many** discounts and bonuses are available to you. Also, you may "choose" two of the classes per visit. Call the ranch for more information. (706 360-0808



WEEK 1 (May 23rd-May 27th)

BERRIES AND WILD FLOWER IDENTIFICATION (nature hike/hay ride)

This program includes a hike through our woodlands and pastures in search fruit and flowers including information on gastronomic botany (edible plants). It is only offered in the spring and is not stroller accessible.



WEEK 2 (May 30th-June 3rd)

FARM LAND PETTING ZOO!

This program covers breeds; breed standards, husbandry, but most importantly, how animals fit into society today. Each guest is provided with a feed and hands on experience inside our petting zoo.



WEEK 3 (June 6th-June 10th)

PREDATOR VS. PREY

This program encompasses the food chain, natural selection, and survival of the fittest. It ends in the live feeding of a reptile. Not for the faint or weary of heart...We're speaking to you adults because it is an all time favorite with the youth. Also, meet "Kitty" our rescued Siberian tiger. She recently starred in a Walt Disney motion picture, due to release by the fall of the year. Siberian tigers are one of the most endangered animals in the world today, with less than 500 remaining on the planet. (over half of which are in captivity)



WEEK 4 (June 13th-June 17th) *ICHTHYOLOGY (fish)*

A branch of zoology pertaining to the study of fishes. Only native fish to the state of Georgia are covered in this program and subject matter includes genus/species names and locations. The program takes place next to one of our twenty-acre lakes and every guest has the opportunity to cast a rod and reel before leaving and indulge in the culinary aspects (a taste test) as well as witnessing the cleaning process.

WEEK 5 (June 20th -June 24th)

GEOLOGY

The study of the earth's crust, the way its layers were formed, and including the study of rocks and



fossils. Rocks, minerals, fossils, and gemstones from around the world will be viewed and discussed. Then a hayride around the ranch will give each guest the opportunity to view and collect local substrates.



WEEK 6 (June 27th-July 1st)

HERPETOLOGY (snakes)

A branch of zoology pertaining to the study of reptiles and amphibians. Both native, to the state of Georgia and non-native species will be covered. In addition, many myths, such as snakes are "slimy" will be dispelled. A "giant" Python is provided for photo opportunities, so do not forget your cameras.



WEEK 7 (July 4th-July 8th)

THE LIVING HISTORY OF THE OREGON TRAIL / THE WESTWARD EXPANSION (Native American Culture)

This program encompasses

WEEK 8 (July 11th-July 15th)

ORNITHOLOGY (birds)

A branch of zoology pertaining to the study of birds. From bird watching to nest building, guests are familiarized with our feathered friends as taxonomy; habitat and the necessities of organism survival are covered. This class includes skeletal remains, feather identification, the dissection of owl pellets, writing with a "real" feather, and much more. Our biggest asset is that we *house* birds (buttonquail to ostriches and everything in-between, both native and exotic) so students may have "hands-on" experiences. Our specialty is raptors and sometimes falconry demonstrations are available. A hayride around the ranch will give each guest the opportunity to do some bird watching of their own. Don't forget your binoculars?



WEEK 9 (July 18th-July 22nd)
EQUINE 101 (Horses)



Basic introduction to horses and horsemanship. Subject matter includes breeds, husbandry, discipline, tact, and most of all safety! Every guest has the opportunity to mount a horse before leaving.



WEEK 10 (July 25th-July 29th)

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WEEK 11 (Aug 1st-Aug 5th)
EQUINE 101 (Horses)



Basic introduction to horses and horsemanship. Subject matter includes breeds, husbandry, discipline, tact, and most of all safety! Every guest has the opportunity to mount a horse before leaving.

WEEK 12 (Aug 8th-Aug 12th)
GEOLOGY (rocks and gems)



The study of the earth's crust, the way its layers were formed, and including the study of rocks and fossils. Rocks, minerals, fossils, and gemstones from around the world will be viewed and discussed. Then a hayride around the ranch will give each guest the opportunity to view and collect local substrates.



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