

EDISTO BEACH STATE PARK ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER PROGRAM CALENDAR • MARCH 2020

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10AM			<u>Life in the Shallows</u> @ Learning Center 5 th , 19 th , 26 th ONLY		<u>The Bache Basics</u> @Learning Center
12 PM	<u>Ravenous Reptiles</u> @ Learning Center \$2 per person 10 th and 31 st ONLY	<u>Turtle Talk</u> @ Learning Center 4 th and 18 th ONLY	<u>What's on the Menu?</u> @Learning Center 5 th , 19 th , 26 th ONLY	<u>Fish Printing</u> @Learning Center 13 th and 30 th ONLY Pre-registration required!	<u>Turtle Talk</u> @Learning Center
2 PM			<u>Castnetting</u> @Learning Center		<u>Gators of the Lowcountry</u> @ Learning Center
SPECIALS	<u>Tie-Dye!</u> @Learning Center March 7 th and 21 st ONLY \$10 if you bring your own shirt, \$15 for an EBSP shirt Pre-registration required!		Ask us about our new boat tours and excursions with Botany Bay Ecotours!! State Park Ecotour: 3/6 @4:30, 3/13 @11, 3/20 @5, 3/27 @10 History/Gullah Tours Call 843-869-2998 or go to botanybayecotours.com to register.		

Program Descriptions:

Cast Netting in the Lowcountry: Come on down to the Environmental Learning Center, to learn about the most popular outdoor recreational activities in the Lowcountry, cast netting! Join a naturalist to learn multiple methods to this activity. From shrimp to squid, you never know what you will get! **Free with Park Admission.** (45min)

Discovery Hour: Come discover some of the hidden features located in our Learning Center! **Free with Park admission.**

Edisto of the Past: Don't let Edisto's calm lifestyle fool you! This island was once home to many exciting cultures with visits from settlers and famous individuals. Enjoy a guided hike to the Bache Monument as we uncover clues to this dynamic past. **Free with Park Admission** (1hr)

Fish Printing: Learn the ancient Japanese art of Gyotaku and create a one of a kind souvenir from your visit with us. **\$10 per shirt, \$15 if you purchase an Edisto Beach State Park! (Pre-registration Required)**

Gators of the Lowcountry: Learn more about South Carolina's largest reptiles and these modern-day dinosaurs during this educational program. Also get an up close look and a chance to touch our resident gator, Marsh!! **Free with Park Admission** (30 mins)

History/Gullah Tour: Learn the previously untold stories of historic heroes from Edisto and the ACE Basin. Get on the waterways traveled by enslaved people who were active participants in gaining their freedom. We will uncover the links between the geography of the area and the history as we travel the rivers and creeks that served as transportation routes. Learn about Gullah/Geechee culture and what it is like today on the island with a local culture guide. **Register at www.botanybayecotours.com or call 843-869-2998.**

Life in the Shallows: Experience our coastal critters up close! Come interact with our touch tank animals while being guided by an interpreter. Free with Park Admission. (30 mins)

Ravenous Reptiles: Come watch a special feeding of some of our reptile friends! **\$2 per person.** (30 mins)

State Park Ecotour: Botany Bay Ecotours has partnered with Edisto Beach State Park to offer this 2-hour adventure. During the 2-hour boat tour, we will explore the salt marsh and saltwater creeks to learn about the ecology of Edisto Island and Edisto Beach State Park. You will hear about the cultural history of Native Americans and Gullah people past and present as well as the natural history of the area. Expect to see shorebirds, raptors, and bottlenose dolphins as we explore a small, but beautiful portion, of the 350,000 acre ACE Basin! **Register at www.botanybayecotours.com or call 843-869-2998.**

Tie-Dye! Come join the ELC staff as we teach you how to create your own tie-dye shirt! We'll show you a variety of designs to choose from. Make sure to bring your own white cotton t-shirt or pillowcase, or better yet, purchase an Edisto Beach State Park shirt from us! **Pre-registration required. \$10 per shirt or purchase one of ours for \$15.** (45 min)

Turtle Talk: Can you hold your breath for five hours? How tall do you measure up to a Leatherback Sea Turtle? Come discover the incredible world of South Carolina's turtles - from terrapins to land turtles to sea turtles! Some live turtles (no live sea turtles) will be on hand! **Free with Park Admission.** (45 min)

What's on the Menu?: ...Not our animals! Join us at noon as we feed the aquarium animals. **Free with Park Admission.** (30 mins)

PROGRAM INFORMATION AND REGISTRATION: 843.869.4430

Learning Center: Located down Palmetto Road, off Highway 174