

EDISTO BEACH STATE PARK
ENVIRONMENTAL LEARNING CENTER
PROGRAM CALENDAR • JANUARY 2023

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10 AM	What's on the Menu? @ Learning Center		Crabby Critters @ Learning Center		Primeval Edisto @ Learning Center
12 PM		Turtle Talk** @ Learning Center	Tie-Dye!** @ Learning Center	Ravenous Reptiles** @ Learning Center \$5 per person	
2 PM	Gators of the Lowcountry** @ Learning Center	Life in the Shallows @ Learning Center		Maritime Marvels @ Learning Center	Crabbing 101** @ Learning Center \$5 per person 7 th , 21 st , and 28 th only
SPECIAL	Start 2023 off on the right foot! Join us for our <u>First Day Hike</u> on Sunday, January 1 st at 9 AM at the park's beach. Meet us outside of the Park Office, which is the large white building between the ocean and beach parking lot. Walk with park staff to the inlet (1.5 miles each way for a total of 3 miles). Free with Park Admission.				

****Please call the Environmental Learning Center to register for programs:
843.869.4430****

Program Descriptions:

Crabbing 101: Do you want to learn and experience the fun of crabbing in the Lowcountry? Come on down to the Learning Center where one of our naturalists will show you everything there is to know about crabbing! **Pre-registration required. \$5 per person. (30-45 minutes)**

Crabby Critters: What do a fiddler, a ghost, and a stone have in common? They are all types of crabs! Edisto is home to many different types of crabby critters which are very important to our coastal ecosystem. Join us as we take a closer look at some of our crabby friends. **Free with Park Admission. (30-45 minutes)**

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 at our resident gators, Pebbles and Bamm-Bamm! **Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (30-45 minutes)**

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. (30-45 minutes)**

Maritime Marvels: Join us for a guided walk from the Learning Center and learn all about the unique maritime forest ecosystem. Highlights include picturesque live oaks, Christmas and bubble gum lichens, and diverse forest microcosms and interactions. **Free with Park Admission. (1 hour)**

Primeval Edisto: Did you know giant beavers, massive sharks, and bizarre sloths really called Edisto home? Join us to learn about the amazing wildlife of prehistoric Edisto in a game of fossil trivia. Touch real fossils of animals that roamed tens of thousands of years ago. **Free with Park Admission. (45 minutes-1 hour)**

Ravenous Reptiles: Come watch a special feeding of some of our reptile friends! **Pre-registration required. \$5 per person. (30-45 minutes)**

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. For a donation of \$7, you can tie-dye a tote bag! (30-45 minutes)**

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! **Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (30-45 minutes)**

What's on the Menu? Not our animals! Join us as we feed some of our aquarium and terrarium animals. Our touch tank will be open! **Free with Park Admission. (30-45 minutes)**

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Located down Palmetto Rd, off Highway 174, 1 Oyster Row Ln, Edisto Island

Hours: Tuesday - Saturday, 9 AM - 4 PM