

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

	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
10 AM		Turtle Talk** @ Learning Center		Maritime Marvels** @ Learning Center	What's on the Menu?** @ Learning Center
12 PM	Gators of the Lowcountry** @ Learning Center	Wetlands of the Lowcountry** @ Learning Center	Tie-Dye!** @ Learning Center	Ravenous Reptiles** @ Learning Center \$5 per person	
2 PM	Edisto Bingo** @ Learning Center	Life in the Shallows** @ Learning Center	Primeval Edisto** @ Learning Center		Crabby Critters** @ Learning Center
SPECIAL	<p align="center">Lowcountry Tidal Treasures**</p> <p align="center">Meet adjacent to the playground, which is outside of the large, white, oceanfront building with the Wi-Fi Lounge and Camp Exchange</p> <p align="center">Friday, May 12 at 9 AM and Saturday, May 27 at 9 AM</p>				

****Pre-registration is required for all programs. Please register by calling the Environmental Learning Center at 843.869.4430.****

Program Descriptions:

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

Edisto Bingo: Come join us at the Edisto Environmental Learning Center for a nature-focused game of bingo. Learn about the amazing plants and animals that dwell on Edisto Island. Prizes will be awarded to winners! **Pre-registration required. 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 one of our resident gators! **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. **Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (30-45 minutes)**

Lowcountry Tidal Treasures: Join us for a guided beach walk as we take a look at what washes up on the beach and discuss the ecology of the beach. Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. **(1 hour-1½ hours)**

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. **Pre-registration required. 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. **Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (1 hour-1½ hours)**

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)**

Wetlands of the Lowcountry: Ever wonder what lies in the murky depths of the swamps? Come learn what grows, swims, and crawls around in the mucky waters of our freshwater wetlands. **Pre-registration required. Free with Park Admission. (45 minutes-1 hour)**

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! **Pre-registration required. 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