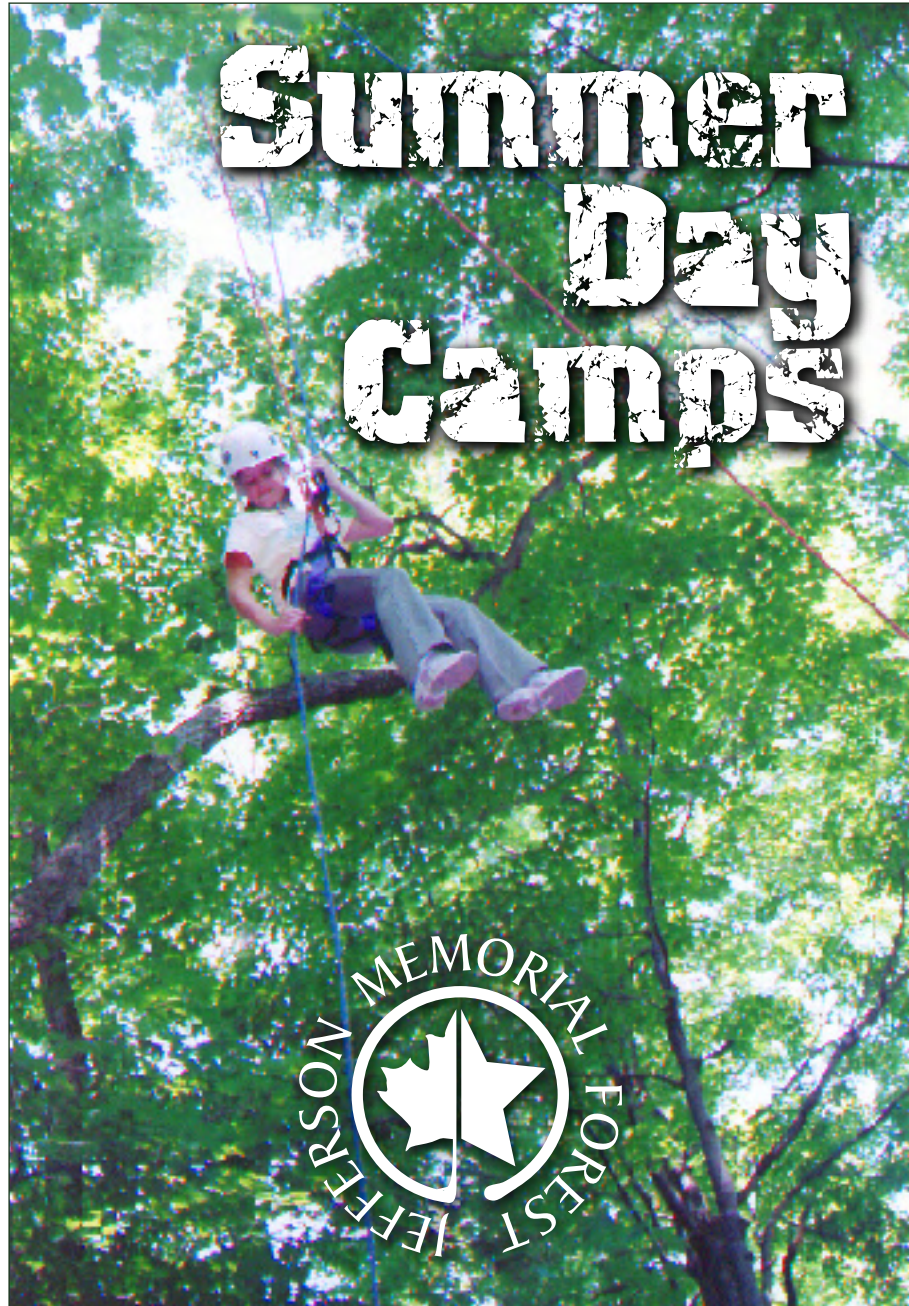


Summer Day Camps



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Forest Adventures at Jefferson Memorial Forest is a unique day camp that combines summer fun with science based educational activities. We offer a variety of camps for ages 5 to 15. By combining educational activities with traditional summer camp fun, your child will have an adventure they will remember for a lifetime!

What makes Jefferson Memorial Forest Summer Camps special?

- A great counselor-to-camper ratio! We have two counselors with each group of 10 campers. Our Forest Explorers programs work on a 1:8 ratio.
- A highly trained staff.
- Lots of hands-on nature activities.
- Active adventures.
- Campers learn new skills and build confidence in the natural world.
- Unique field trip experiences.

Some information to help you and your camper decide if this is the camp for them:

- Because this camp is about exploring the natural world, campers should be able to walk on trails, walk up and down hills, and traverse flat and uneven ground.
- Our camp is about exploring and experiencing the outdoors. Campers must be prepared to get dirty.
- Because campers work cooperatively together in small groups, it is necessary that your child has the ability to maintain appropriate self-control in social situations.

Parents with questions regarding the ability of Jefferson Memorial Forest Staff to meet their child's needs should contact the Camp director well in advance of the start of camp. We are happy to make reasonable accommodations to ensure that all campers have the best experience.



Camps

Summer Adventure Camps

Ages 7 to 12

These day camps provide children with an immersion experience into the natural world. Campers take on the roles of explorer, naturalist, and scientist as they discover new things about the forest, and all the things that create it. Camp activities include nature study, crafts, science experiments, games, journaling, and animal contact with the Forest's educational animals. All campers receive a Forest water bottle.

Each session runs for one week. Each day begins promptly at 9 a.m. and ends at 4 p.m.

Forest Adventures

Is your child an explorer? Do they crave adventure? They are sure to find it here! Campers explore the trails deep in the forest, climb our alpine tower, and learn skills such as fire and shelter building and using a map and compass.

June 13-17 and July 11-15

Creature Trekking

Campers explore a variety of habitats and learn about the creatures that call these places home. Campers travel through the forest, along the forest edge, across fields and meadows, and into wetlands. Campers will learn what to look for when tracking animals, and what the population of animals can tell us about ourselves and how we affect the world around us.

June 20-24

Aquatic Habitats

Discover the exciting world within a pond, lake, stream and river. Campers explore a lake while canoeing, hike through a forest to a winding stream, use nets to collect specimens, and view the many tiny creatures they collect on our videoscope. Also, campers are engaged in crafts, journaling and science experiments. Life preservers are provided and trained staff will accompany the campers in a 1:3 ratio for our canoe excursions. Parents are welcome to join their child for canoeing field trips.

June 27-July 1

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Fairies, Trolls, and Gnomes

Enter the magical, hidden side of the Forest, where creatures of the imagination live. A camp that explores the fantastical hidden Forest. Campers will use their imagination and natural materials to create an enchanted land where anything is possible, while learning about the forest and its different habitats.

July 18-22

Forest Explorers

Ages 5 to 6

Search for animal tracks, discover the fascinating world of insects, find life in a small scoop of pond water, and hike the trails! Through stories, crafts and hands-on activities your child will make discoveries about the variety of habitats and the animals living in the Forest. Come explore! Each day begins promptly at 10 a.m. and ends at 2 p.m.

July 5-8

CSI: Creature Scene Investigations

Ages 10-13

An in-depth look at the ecology and biology of the natural world. Focusing on animals, students learn about animal adaptations, how to identify animals using only their bones and teeth, how to identify animal evidence and understand how forest animals have adapted to survive. Please note: this camp will include a dissection.

Dates: July 25 - 29

ECO Extreme

Ages 13 to 15

Ready for extreme adventure? Then you have found the right camp. Canoeing, back country camping, exploring areas off the beaten path – campers learn Leave No Trace skills, Wilderness First Responder skills and challenge themselves and each other as they go extreme. Group camps out Thursday night.

July 5-July 8, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (except Thursday)

Registration and Payment Information

Camp registration begins in January, and sessions are filled on a first come, first served basis. Full payment is required at registration. Full payment and registration are due no less than one week before the beginning of your selected camp. You will be notified if a session is full or has been cancelled due to insufficient enrollment.

Please read the attached form carefully, fill it out completely and return it with your payment by mail or in person to Jefferson Memorial Forest, to ensure your child's registration.

If a camp is full or has been cancelled, your check will be returned, or a full refund will be made. All camps are subject to minimum and maximum enrollments. Confirmation will be mailed or emailed to you prior to the beginning of camp.



Special Requests

If you would like your child to be grouped with a sibling or friend, please indicate this on the registration form. This cannot be guaranteed if the children are in different age groups or if space is not available.

Also note that Summer Adventure campers are grouped as follows: Ages 7-9 and Ages 10-12. This will allow for an optimum learning experience.

Payment Options

Prices include all supplies, a water bottle, a back pack, admission for special field trips and a snack each day. To guarantee your child's spot, you may pay over the phone with a credit card, pay with a check through the mail, or pay in person by cash, check or charge card at the Forest Welcome Center.

Make checks payable to Jefferson Memorial Forest. Include the session dates your child is attending on the check.

Jefferson Memorial Forest Summer Camp Registration

The registration fee must accompany this form. Make checks payable to **Jefferson Memorial Forest**. When registering more than one child, send the information for each child on a separate form. Mail check and registration to:

Jefferson Memorial Forest Summer Camp
PO Box 467
Fairdale, KY 40118

- Forest Explorers** \$110/session July 5-8
- Forest Adventures** \$120/session June 13-17 July 11-15
- Creature Trekking** \$120/session June 20-24
- Aquatic Habitats** \$120/session June 27-July 1
- Fairies, Trolls and Gnomes** \$120/session July 18-22
- Creature Scene Investigation** \$125/session July 25-29
- ECO Extreme** \$175/session July 5-8

Child's last name _____

Child's first name _____

Sex M / F Age _____ Birthday _____ / _____ / _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____

Zip code: _____

Home phone: _____

Emergency phone: _____

Email address: _____

Is there a friend/sibling you would like placed with your child? This cannot be guaranteed if children are in different age groups or if space is not available.

Name _____

Does your child have any health concerns, special needs or allergies?

I hereby authorize Jefferson Memorial Forest/Metro Parks to take any steps necessary to ensure my child's health in case of an emergency, including seeking medical treatment. My child has permission to go on all camp-sponsored field trips. I understand that transportation will be by van with a staff driver for all field trips.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

I hereby authorize Jefferson Memorial Forest/Metro Parks to use my child's name and/or photograph for educational and public relations purposes.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Payment

Check Amount paid: _____

Check Number: _____

Credit Card: Master Card Visa

Amount paid: _____

Name on card: _____

Card number: _____

Expiration date: _____

Signature: _____

Registration continued

Refunds

A cancellation must be received in writing no less than 2 weeks prior to the first day of camp. A refund (less a \$25 processing fee) will be made.

Special Needs

Metro Parks strives to make programs as accessible as possible. Please call camp staff, at least one week prior to the first day of camp, if your child has special needs or requests. We will work with you and your child to make any reasonable accommodations. Metro Parks Adaptive Leisure Activities program staff will be available to assist with needed accommodations.



Preparing for Camp



Clothing

Comfortable, casual, cool clothes and athletic shoes (that can get messy) are necessary. Your child will be outdoors, making crafts and hiking. For the safety and comfort of your child, no flip-flops, clogs or sandals are allowed.

Lunch, Water and Snacks.. Oh My!

Campers have a one-hour supervised lunch each day. Campers bring their own lunches and drinks, clearly marked with the child's name. No vending machines, refrigerators or microwaves are available. Snacks are provided every morning, and campers are provided with a water bottle which they may bring and refill throughout the day.

First Day of Camp

Campers must be checked in by a parent or legal guardian on the first day of camp. A list of people approved to pick up your child in case of emergency or if you have made alternate arrangements must be provided at check-in. Identification will be required for those on your list, before your child will be released to them.

Preparing for Camp continued

Drop-Off

Drop-off is located in the main parking lot of the Horine Reservation unless otherwise directed. Drop-off begins at 8:30 a.m., and camp leaders will be there to greet campers each day. No camper is to be dropped off prior to 8:30 a.m. Note that if your camper is a Forest Explorer (age 5 -6) then drop-off begins at 9:30 a.m.

Pick up

Camps will be dismissed at 4 p.m., except for Forest Explorers, who will be dismissed at 2 p.m. Staff will stay with campers for 30 minutes.

It is important that campers be dropped off and picked up on time. Please respect other campers and staff by abiding by these times. If a camper has not been picked up, the staff person will take them to the program office located in the front of the Horine Reservation on the left as you enter the reservation.

Whoever picks up your child must check in with a Forest staff person. To ensure the safety of your child, no one will be released to a vehicle without identification.



Directions

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From downtown Louisville take I-65 south and exit at the Gene Snyder Freeway (I-265 West). Exit the Gene Snyder at New Cut Road (exit 6) and turn left. Follow New Cut for two miles and turn right onto Mitchell Hill Road. Go .9 mile and turn left onto Holsclaw Hill Road. Go 1.4 miles, then turn right into the Horine Reservation. The road ends in the parking lot.

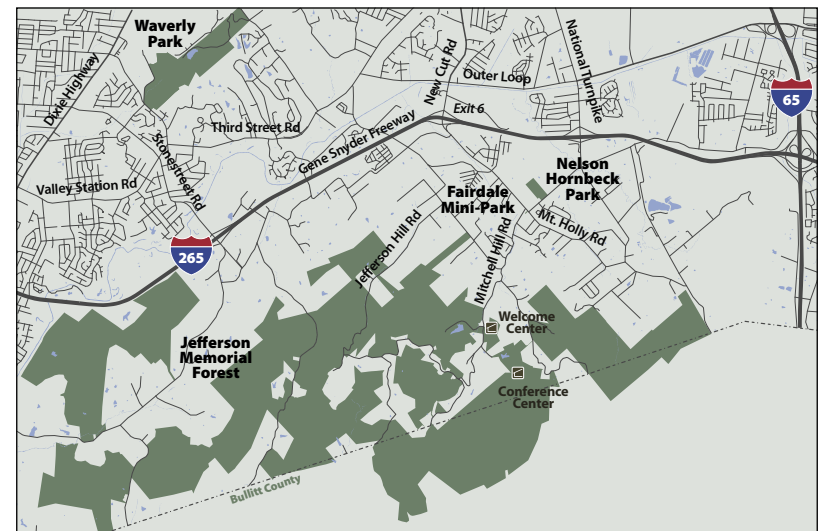
Hours

Jefferson Memorial Forest is open daily from 8 a.m. to dusk. The Welcome Center is open 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Monday through Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Sundays and holidays.

Admission

General park admission is free. Conference Center, group pavilions and educational centers can be reserved in advance for a fee by contacting the Welcome Center at 502/368-5404.

It is the intent of Metro Parks to make all facilities accessible to individuals with disabilities; if an accommodation is necessary for your participation, please advise us of the needed service in advance. Call 502/456-8148 (voice) or 502/456-8183 (TDD).



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