



ADVENTURE CAMPS 2019



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What does
summer camp
at the Center
look like?

- **Diverse, educationally relevant, age-appropriate programming.**
- **Professional staff of trained naturalists and a safe, fun environment.**
- **Low staff:camper ratio of 1:6. Max class size of 12 for most camps.**

Montana Audubon Adventure Camps are a great summer experience, full of outdoor adventure, play, and learning. We make full use of our 54-acre outdoor classroom, Norm Schoenthal Field Lab and adjacent access to the Yellowstone River trail system, with 80% of time spent outdoors.

Is your kid attending a separate morning and afternoon camp? We have designated “lunch buddies” to accompany them during the 1/2-hour break. (Add \$10/week)

Members receive a 10% discount on all camp fees. Scholarships available, email to inquire: hfinch@mtaudubon.org

NEW THIS YEAR!

WEEK 1 SUMMER KICK-OFF CAMP!

Kick off your summer with a sample of our most popular activities: canoeing, fort building, macroinvertebrate collection and more. Join us for this camp and start the summer off right! All ages combined.

FLEDGLINGS SUMMER SESSION!

9 weeks starting June 10th | Ages 3-5 years

Fledglings Summer Session provides a great foundation for lifelong learning. Our Early Childhood staff and high quality program emphasize social skills, risk management, and learning that emerges from play. 80% of the program is outside. Class is limited to 8 students. Sign up for one week at a time during the 9 week season. Campers must be potty trained.

Classes run 8:30-12:00 | M-W-F \$80 | T-TH \$60

ENTERING K-2ND LITTLES

TALES AND TRAILS Books are great places to find adventures, and nature is too! Each day will include a special storytime reading of a nature book and a chance to make some outdoor adventures of your own!

SEEDS TO SPROUTS We'll dig in the soil, plant seeds and discover plants - from tiny sprouts to the tallest trees, including some that we can eat! 3 day camp, \$100

BUG OUT! Explore the Center through the eyes of a bug. Roll over logs and use bug nets to learn about the lives of these mini-beasts close up and in person.

BOGS, FROGS, AND POLLIWOGS There are some animals that are plenty happy in slimy, wet, and muddy places. Get to know your friendly neighborhood amphibians!

DINO-TASTIC Dinosaurs! Learn the different types of dinosaurs, including ones that walked around your neighborhood in prehistoric times. Dig for bones, go on a dinosaur hunt, and get to know modern dinosaurs - birds!

FEATHERED FRIENDS Birds of a feather flock together! Join our flock as we discover local birds through sight, sound, and games. Use binoculars, make a birdfeeder, and have a quacking good time! 3 day camp, \$100

WATER WIGGLES Splish and splash yourself into puddles, ponds, and streams all week long. We'll learn about (and catch!) some of the cool critters that call these waters home and get up even closer in canoes.

ANIMAL PARADE How many different animals call Billings home? Come learn with us as we look at tracks, help build animal homes, and even make masks and costumes for a Friday parade!

LITTLE EXPLORERS The wild awaits! Put on your adventure hat and explore the “backcountry” forests and fields of Norm's Island. Who knows what we'll find!

NEW! LITTLE CRITTERS The most important things in nature are often the smallest! We will look high and low for minnows, worms, dragonflies, grasshoppers, and other tiny creatures that are all around.

2019 Adventure Camp Calendar

	Littles <i>ENTERING K-2ND</i>		Middles <i>ENTERING 3RD-5TH</i>		Older Kids <i>ENTERING 6TH-9TH</i>	
	<i>MORNING CAMPS</i>	<i>AFTERNOON CAMPS</i>	<i>MORNING CAMPS</i>	<i>AFTERNOON CAMPS</i>	<i>MORNING CAMPS</i>	<i>AFTERNOON CAMPS</i>
June 10-14 (all ages camps)		Summer Kick-Off (pm)		Summer Kick-Off (pm)		Summer Kick-Off (pm)
		Lindi's Art Adventures A (pm)		Lindi's Art Adventures A (pm)		Lindi's Art Adventures A (pm)
June 17-21	Little Explorers (am)	Dino-tastic A (pm)	Fishing & Fort Building A* (D)			
June 24-28	Bogs, Frogs & Polliwogs A (am)		Zoology (am)	Nature Engineering (pm)	Discovery Girls* 2 (D)	
July 1-3 <small>note: 3-day camps</small>	Feathered Friends (am)	Seeds to Sprouts (pm)	Western Adventure (D)		Western Adventure (D)	
July 8-12	Little Critters (am)	Tales and Trails A (pm)		Nature Day Spa (pm)		Nature Day Spa (pm)
			Fishing & Fort Building B* (D)			
July 15-19	Dino-tastic B (am)	Bogs, Frogs & Polliwogs B (pm)	All About the Challenge (am)	Lindi's Art Adventures B (pm)		Lindi's Art Adventures B (pm)
					Montana Experience* (D)	
July 22-26		Water Wiggles (pm)	Discovery Girls* 1 (D)		Outdoor Survival (am)	
July 29-Aug 2	Tails and Trails B (am)		Outdoor Gourmet (am)	Mad Scientist (pm)	Challenge Accepted* (D)	
Aug 5- Aug 9	Bug Out! (am)	Animal Parade (pm)	Flying Wild (am)	Lindi's Art Adventure C (pm)		Lindi's Art Adventures C (pm)
			Fishing & Fort Building C* (D)			

TIMES:

(am) 8:30-12:00

(pm) 12:30-4:00

(D) Full Day 8:30-4:00

COST:

1/2 day \$140

Full day \$260

*Overnight +\$40

NOTE: Some camp's costs may vary.
See descriptions for details.

REGISTER ONLINE AT:
mtaudubon.com/center/

MIDDLES ENTERING 3RD-5TH

NEW! FLYING WILD It's a bird, it's a plane, it's...well birds, bats, and bugs all use flight to survive in their environments. Learn about the different kinds of flight while identifying and finding these creatures in nature.

ZOO ZOOLOGY Who doesn't love animals? Spend a week as a zoologist in training. Learn more about, and see, all kinds of critters from insects to tigers. Identify tracks, scat, and skulls to become a pro! Offered in partnership with Zoo MT.

FISHING AND FORT BUILDING (Optional overnight) Two great ways to have fun in the outdoors! Create a variety of shelters in the surrounding forests and learn how to build fires, tie knots and canoe. Whittle your own fishing pole and drop a line in the surrounding ponds. Camp ends Friday at noon

OUTDOOR GOURMET No need to be hungry if you know where to look in the woods! If you love to eat, join us for an adventurous week of outdoor cooking skills, including a few ways to eat what you find in the wild.

DISCOVERY GIRLS 1 (Optional overnight) Join a girls-only group for a week of exploring the world around you. Visit places in and around Billings, build fires, hike, fish, make natural scrubs and much more. Get out there and be a nature girl! Camp ends Friday at noon.

WESTERN ADVENTURES (Combined ages) It's the wild west y'all! Live and explore like Lewis and Clark: learn how to make fire, use compasses, and build shelters. Go back in time during Western Adventures! 3 day camp, \$175

MAD SCIENTIST MUH-HA-HA-HA-HA!! Laugh like a mad scientist this week as we do experiments. Put on goggles as we erupt volcanoes, make flubber, and smash rocks. Discover the chemistry of nature and the physics of play during this week as a mad scientist!

NATURE DAY SPA (Combined ages) Bring out your natural beauty. Make many kinds of goodies from scratch, including masks, scrubs, and soaps. Come relax the all-natural way and treat yourself this week at Nature Day Spa!



LINDI'S ART ADVENTURES Get creative with natural art! Professional artist and educator Lindi O'Brien will help you connect with nature and engage your creativity. Experiment with a variety of media - watercolor, clay, pastels, and more! An official gallery, showcasing your work, will be held the Friday of camp!

ALL ABOUT THE CHALLENGE Be challenged with obstacles, puzzles, games and more. Work with other campers to beat each challenge and unlock harder ones. Complete challenge week and live to tell the tale.

NEW! NATURE ENGINEERING Engineers solve problems and there is no better engineer than nature. Take inspiration from animals and plants to design and create your own fort, kite and raft (will yours float?)

ENTERING 6TH-9TH OLDER KIDS

NEW! OUTDOOR SURVIVAL What are the odds you would survive if you were stranded in the wilderness? Learn from specialists and naturalists to increase your odds in this week's camp. Learn how to pack, what to do in emergencies, how to build fires and shelters and other survival basics.

NEW! MONTANA EXPERIENCE (Optional overnight) Montana is known for a great place to have adventures. Join us for two exciting experiences, whitewater rafting and horseback riding! Explore what Montana has to offer the rest of the week with fishing, canoeing, and an optional overnight. Cost \$390.

CHALLENGE ACCEPTED! (Optional overnight) Are you ready for this?! Challenge yourself this week with low ropes courses, obstacles, games, and survival skills. Camp ends at noon on Friday.

DISCOVERY GIRLS 2 (Optional overnight) An older-girls version of this popular camp. Meet women in the environmental field while exploring the Billings area. Enjoy activities from making your own natural soap to fishing and canoeing. Discover what it takes to be a nature girl. Camp ends at noon on Friday.

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AUDUBON CENTER YOUTH VOLUNTEERS

Are you ready to help younger kids have a great summer experience? Apply to be an Audubon Center Summer Intern. Build your skills and become a part of our staff! Available for 14-18 year olds, call for application or more information.

SUMMER PROGRAMS AT THE MONTANA AUDUBON CENTER

Check out the program schedule and info on our website

www.mtaudubon.org/center

NATURE NUTS

Ages 1-4 and an accompanying adult

\$6/pair | FREE for members

Every Tuesday | 10-11 am

WEEKEND WONDERS FAMILY PROGRAMS

Naturalist-led programs for all ages, different theme each month

\$5/person | FREE for members

3rd Saturday of the month | 9:30-11 am

OPEN HOUSE (MEMORIAL DAY TO LABOR DAY)

Visit the building, chat with a naturalist, borrow a nature knapsack and equipment for exploring outdoors, or rent a canoe to paddle around the ponds.

Canoes \$10/hour | FREE for members | No charge for other activities.

Wednesdays | 4-7 pm

Saturdays | 11am-3 pm

SATURDAY BIRD STROLLS

Great for beginning birders, binoculars and guidebooks provided.

\$10/person | \$5/students and kids | Free for members

2nd Saturday of the month | 8:30-10 am

COFFEE WALK WITH A NATURALIST

Enjoy a cup of bird-friendly coffee and go on a hike to observe and learn about the natural world. Different theme each month.

\$10/person | \$5/student | FREE for members

1st Saturday of the month | 9:30-11 am

TRAILS AND SHEPARD NATURE PLAYSPACE

Open sunup to sundown every day!



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WE ALSO OFFER:

- Birthday Parties
- Facility Rentals
- Private Tours and Programs
- Year-round Programming