



ADVENTURE CAMPS 2023



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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 to camper ratio of 1:7. Max class size of 14 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 outdoor space, with 90% of time spent outdoors.

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TINIES SUMMER SESSION!

8 weeks starting June 12th | Ages 3-5 years

Tinies Summer Session provides a great foundation for lifelong learning. Our experienced staff and high quality program emphasize social skills, risk management, and learning that emerges from play. Class is limited to 8 students. Registration is for one week at a time during the 8 week season. Campers must be potty trained.

Camps run 8:30am-12:00pm | M-W-F \$90 | T-TH \$65

WEEK 4 PRICE CHANGE DUE TO THE JULY 4TH HOLIDAY

\$90/week for each of the half day camps listed.



AMAZING ANIMAL ADAPTATIONS Why do animals have wings, scales, tails and claws? Explore different adaptations and learn how animals survive in their environment. Can you adapt?

'B' A POLLINATOR Birds, bugs, and bats are all pollinators. Learn how important pollination is to our everyday lives while playing games, finding these cool critters, and taking home your own beginner pollinator garden. This week is sure to be great!

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

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

DINO-TASTIC What's your favorite dinosaur? Learn more about these prehistoric creatures, dig for bones, and get to know modern dinosaurs - birds!

NEW! FABULOUS FOREST FRIENDS Insects, birds, and mammals all call the forest home. Run through the trees looking for signs of these little critters...but make sure to keep your eyes open for the Bigfoots that also live here!

GROW WITH THE FLOW From tiny seeds, whacky weeds, and the biggest trees, campers will grow in their knowledge of plants this week. Dirty hands, plant yoga, and more awaits!

LITTLE EXPLORERS Muddy boots, pond soup, and tree climbing, oh my! Get down and dirty scouting out the ponds and forests. The wild awaits!

SENSATIONAL SENSES Touch, taste, smell, listen, and see the natural world around you by using your 5 senses to explore. Learn what animals have sensational senses too!

NEW! SUMMER IN COLOR Art and the outdoors - inspiration can be found all around us! Learn tricks of the trade as we create works of art inside and outside. Each camper will take home art projects and a tote. *Additional \$25 fee for supplies*

TINY SCIENTISTS Put on your lab goggles and safety gloves for a week of experiments. Learn how fire burns, how water fills our ponds, and more. Ask questions and get EXPLOSIVE answers as tiny scientists!

WATER WIGGLES Splish and splash yourself into puddles, ponds, and streams all week long. Learn about (and catch!) some of the creatures that call these waters home and get up close in canoes.

2023 Adventure Camps

	Littles ENTERING K-2ND		Middles ENTERING 3RD-5TH		Older Kids ENTERING 6TH-9TH	
	MORNING CAMPS	AFTERNOON CAMPS	MORNING CAMPS	AFTERNOON CAMPS	MORNING CAMPS	AFTERNOON CAMPS
WEEK 1 June 12-16	Dino-tastic A (am)	Little Explorers (pm)	Summer Kick-Off (am)			
			Fishing and Fort Building A* (D)			
WEEK 2 June 19-23	Tiny Scientists A (am)	Water Wiggles A (pm)	Minecraft Mania A (am)			
			Discovery Girls* (D)		Discovery Girls* (D)	
WEEK 3 June 26-30	"B" a Pollinator (am)		Zoology (am)	STEAM Machine (pm)	Challenge Accepted* (D)	
WEEK 4 July 5-7**	Fabulous Forest Friends (am)	Sensational Senses (pm)	Field Day (am)	Made in Nature (pm)		Made in Nature (pm)
WEEK 5 July 10-14	Summer in Color (am)	Amazing Animal Adaptations (pm)	Fishing & Fort Building B* (D)		Outdoor Survival (am)	
WEEK 6 July 17-21	Grow with the Flow (am)	Water Wiggles B (pm)	Minecraft Mania B (am)			
			Western Adventures* (D)		Western Adventures* (D)	
WEEK 7 July 24-28	Bug Out (am)	Dino-tastic B (pm)	Summer in Color (am)	Nature's Kitchen (pm)	Summer in Color (am)	
WEEK 8 July 31-Aug 4	Tiny Scientist B (am)	Bogs, Frogs and Polliwogs (pm)	Fishing and Fort Building C* (D)		Campfire Cook Off (am)	

TIMES:

(am) 8:30-12:00
(pm) 12:30-4:00
(D) 8:30-4:00

COST:

1/2 day \$155
Full day \$275
*Campfire cookout: +\$20
**1/2 day \$90 -Holiday Week-

Lunch Buddies \$10/week
Members receive 10% discount
Scholarships available

ONLINE REGISTRATION:
mtaudubon.org/center

MIDDLES ENTERING 3RD-5TH

DISCOVERY GIRLS *(Optional cookout, combined ages)* Join a girls-only group for a week of exploring the world around you. Build fires, hike, make natural scrubs, fish, geocache and much more. Get out there and be a nature girl! Camp ends Friday at noon.

FIELD DAY Capture the flag, canoe games, and relay races abound during this week of camp. Join us for a week of fun and games and great times!

FISHING AND FORT BUILDING *(Optional cookout)* 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.

MINECRAFT MANIA Learn the skills it will take to survive in your own mini-world. Stay safe from monsters and also 'mine' rocks along the Yellowstone River. Creative, Survival, Hardcore or Adventure: how will you play in the real world?

MADE IN NATURE *(Combined ages)* Craft your way through this week of camp as you discover how to use natural materials around you. From food to hand-made products, you'll have plenty of projects to take home.

NATURE'S KITCHEN Did you know that roses, pine trees and some weeds are edible? Learn about and taste native, edible plants. Build your own recipe book this week as you make nature your kitchen.

NEW! STEAM MACHINE Use nature as inspiration to create, build and experiment with the materials around you. Build beaver dams, smash rocks, experiment with volcanoes, test the strength of eggs, and become a nature engineer. This week will be packed with STEAM activities.

SUMMER IN COLOR-ART CAMP *(Combined Ages)* Fabulous, Fun, Field Studies! Art and the outdoors, can you think of a better combo? Learn tricks of the trade as we create works of art inside and outside! Each camper will take home an art kit with various supplies and tote. *Additional \$25 fee for take-home supplies*



NEW! SUMMER KICK-OFF 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!

WESTERN ADVENTURES *(Optional cookout, 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! Camp ends Friday at noon.



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. *(Thursday drop-off and pick-up at ZooMontana.)*

ENTERING 6TH-9TH OLDER KIDS

CAMPFIRE COOK OFF If you love to eat, join us for an adventurous week of outdoor cooking and foraging skills. Show off your newly learned skills during our camper cook-off. May the best chef win!

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

DISCOVERY GIRLS *(Optional cookout, combined ages)* See Middles' section for description. Camp ends Friday at noon.

SUMMER IN COLOR - ART CAMP *(Combined ages)* See Middles' section for description. *Additional \$25 fee for take-home supplies*

MADE IN NATURE *(Combined ages)* See Middles' section for description.

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

WESTERN ADVENTURES *(Optional cookout, combined ages)* See Middles' section for description. Camp ends Friday at noon.

MORE INFORMATION

• Ways to Save:

- Members receive a 10% discount on all camp fees.
- Sign up for an AM and PM camp in the same week and save \$35!
- Scholarships available, email to inquire: hfinch@mtaudubon.org
- Is your camper attending a separate morning and afternoon camp? Designated "lunch buddies" accompany them during the ½ hr break. (\$10/week per child).
- Campfire Cookouts are a great way to extend the camp experience. Build a fire, roast hotdogs and s'mores, tell stories, and play games! Campfire Cookouts are on the Thursday of camp, ending at 8 pm. Additional \$20 fee.

Check our website for our COVID-19 protocol updates.

ADDITIONAL PROGRAMS AT THE MONTANA AUDUBON CENTER

Check out our website and Facebook page for program schedule, special events and info: www.mtaudubon.org/center/familyprograms/

*Advanced registration required for all programs. All programs below are free for members.

NATURE NUTS* Every Tuesday | 10:00-11:00 am

Children aged 1 to 4 (and accompanying adult) join Montana Audubon teacher naturalists for guided outdoor play and learning about nature in Billings and beyond. (\$5 suggested donation)

EVENING EXPLORATION* 1st Tuesday of the month | April-August | 4:30-7:30pm

Choose your own adventure and enjoy time outside with your friends and family. Borrow field guides, insect nets, and binoculars. Or get in a canoe and explore the ponds with the setting sun. Exploration awaits! (\$10 suggested donation per canoe)

WEEKEND WONDERS FAMILY PROGRAM*

2nd Saturday of the month | 10:30am-12:00pm

These naturalist-led programs are designed for all ages of explorers. Every month features a different topic that will get you and your family outdoors. (\$5 suggested donation)

BIRD STROLL* 2nd Saturday of the month | 8:30-10:00am

Great for beginning and experienced birders! Cover some birding basics, learn some bird calls/songs for ID by ear and work on your description skills to visually ID the species that we see. Binoculars and guidebooks available to check out. (\$5-10 suggested donation)

WE ALSO OFFER:

- Birthday Parties
- Facility Rentals
- Private Tours and Programs



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