



# NATURE CAMP 2024

In a new partnership the Hunterdon County Division of Parks and Recreation and the YMCA of Bucks and Hunterdon Counties, are excited to launch the 2024 Nature Camps.

Our two esteemed organizations are joining forces to offer top-tier nature camps, bringing together the expertise of professional environmental specialists and the renowned camp services of the leading provider in Hunterdon and Bucks Counties. This collaboration aims to deliver an unparalleled outdoor experience, blending educational enrichment with the thrill of adventure. Our shared commitment to quality and passion for nature will ensure that each camp offers a unique, enriching and unforgettable experience.

Campers are grouped by grade to encourage skill-building as well as teamwork, sportsmanship, camaraderie and friendship. Nature Camp is a half-day program but can be combined with Adventure Camp to get the best of both worlds and make it a full day (9 AM-4 PM). Early and late care is available.

Scan the QR codes to register!



**Camp Carr  
Nature Camps**



**Echo Hill  
Nature Camps**

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## EXPLORE YOUR ENVIRONMENT NATURE CAMP WEEK THEMES

Dates	Theme	Location
6/24-6/28	Slither and Splash	Camp Carr
7/1-7/5	Surviving the Wilderness	Camp Carr
7/8-7/12	Feathered Friends	Echo Hill
7/15-7/19	Branching Out	Camp Carr
7/22-7/26	Wild and Crafty Creations	Echo Hill
7/29-8/2	Bug Out	Camp Carr
8/5-8/9	Mammal Mysteries	Camp Carr
8/12-8/16	Drip, Drip, Drench	Echo Hill





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## SLITHER AND SPLASH

Start the summer with an unforgettable journey where curious minds can uncover the secrets of slithering snakes, magnificent turtles, and enchanting amphibians. This camp is perfect for nature enthusiasts, budding herpetologists and adventure seekers! You will even have a chance to get up close and personal with these incredible creatures! Join us for a week of discovery, laughter and the magic of reptiles and amphibians.

## SURVIVING THE WILDERNESS

Embark on a wilderness adventure! This week will be packed with outdoor activities, survival skills, teamwork and personal development. Join us for an unforgettable journey into the wild, where every moment is an opportunity for exploration, growth and building lasting connections with nature and fellow adventurers.

## FEATHERED FRIENDS

Fly into a week of bird explorations featuring our local feathered friends. From sparrows darting into the brush to hawks soaring in the air, we'll discover the features of the birds that fascinate us. We will learn about their captivating sounds, feathered adaptations and observe them in action at the park. Join us for a week filled with bird watching, discoveries and a whole lot of feathered fun!

## BRANCHING OUT

Let's grow together and learn about all things plants, sticks and trees. Discover the powers of flowers and trees, build survival shelters with sticks and leaves and explore how even a dead tree teems with life as we look for salamanders, insects and fungi. Join us for a plant-powered adventure.

## WILD AND CRAFTY CREATIONS

Where campers can release their creativity in the beauty of the great outdoors! We will combine the joy of exploration with creative expression, allowing young minds to draw inspiration from nature's beauty. Through a series of interactive and nature-infused craft projects and activities, this engaging camp fosters a love for both crafting and the environment in an interactive and exciting way.

## BUG OUT

It's a buzzy, bug bonanza! This week campers focus on insects for a creepy-crawly adventure! Let your camper unleash their inner entomologist, exploring nature's tiny wonders, while making lifelong bug buddies. Don't let this opportunity crawl away!

## MAMMAL MYSTERIES

Explore the captivating world of Hunterdon's mammals. With lessons on bats, beavers, bears and coyotes, each day promises hands-on fun, discussions and role-playing. Join us for a week of wild exploration, where learning about local mammals turns into an unforgettable adventure!

## DRIP, DRIP, DRENCH

Prepare to get wet this week and dive into why water is so important to our world! We will meet aquatic turtles up close, explore the insects and crayfish of the Prescott Creek and of course, cool off with a favorite camp game, Drip, Drip, Drench! Let's end summer with a splash!