



Marshy Point Nature Center

Program and Event Calendar



Baltimore County Department of Recreation & Parks
7130 Marshy Point Road, Middle River, MD 21220
410-887-2817

baltimorecountymd.gov/marshy



Program Registration Information

Advance registration for all programs recommended. Programs begin promptly at start time.

- ◆ Go to: www.BaltimoreCountyMD.gov/CivicRec for availability & information.
- ◆ Pre-registration and payments can be completed online.
- ◆ Organizations and groups, including scouts, must schedule private programs; programs in this calendar are meant for individuals and families.

Rain/Inclement Weather Policy

- ◆ All special events are rain or shine unless a rain date is specified. Cancellations are sent by email to registered participants, posted on baltimorecountymd.gov/recandparks, posted on social media, and updated at 410-88-PARKS.
- ◆ Staff determine program cancellations on the scheduled day.



Other Important Information

- ◆ Participants under 18 must be accompanied by an adult.
- ◆ Fishing is not permitted from the shoreline; you may fish from your kayak or canoe.
- ◆ Dept. of Rec. & Parks, MPNC, staff, & volunteers are not liable for loss, theft, or damage to personal property.
- ◆ We reserve the right to deny participation to any visitor based on behavior that could jeopardize others' safety.

Should you require special accommodations (i.e. language interpreter, large print, etc.) please give as much notice as possible by calling the office at 410-887-2817. TTY users call via Maryland Relay.

Save the Date
Fall Festival 2025

September 20th
10am-4pm

June 2025

Sat. June 7 **Maryland Rocks**— Maryland rocks! Marshy Point rocks! You rock! Find out what makes up the geological structure of the park and its components. Free!

Sun. June 8 **Sunday Bird Walk**— Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers. Free!
9am-11:30am

Sun. June 15 **Father's Day Canoe Trip**— Celebrate Father's Day with a naturalist as we explore Dundee Creek. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 8 canoes (2-3 people per canoe). Life-jackets provided. \$12 per person, fathers are free!
1pm-3pm

Thurs. June 19 Center Closed for County Holiday—Park open sunrise to sunset.

Fri. June 20 **Solstice Campfire**— Join us for a night hike followed by a campfire to celebrate the summer solstice. The sun is at it's highest position in the sky making it the longest day of the year! \$6 per person.
7:30pm-9pm

Sat. June 21 **SAV Watch Kayak Trip**—Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Watch Kayak Trip - In coordination with the Chesapeake Bay SAV Watchers volunteer-scientist network, Marshy Point hosts several free kayak trips each summer focused on the underwater grasses of the Upper Chesapeake Bay. Join us on the water to learn how to identify different SAV species and help us collect data on the underwater grasses growing in Dundee Creek. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 10 kayaks (tandems available); life jackets provided. Free!
1pm-3pm

Sun. June 22 **Wetlands Alive**—From the cattails to ponds, to the reeds in between, you can find life everywhere in Marshy Point's Wetlands. Prepare to get wet and muddy! Free!
10am-11:30am

Sat. June 28 **Rad Reptiles**—Marshy Point's repto-dudes and dudettes are anything but bogus. Join us for a most excellent adventure in search of these cool-blooded creatures. Free!
10am-11am

Sun. June 29 **Morning Kayak Trip**— Take to the water and observe Dundee Creek's morning life. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 10 kayaks (tandems available); life jackets provided. \$12 per person.
10am-12pm

Mon. June 30 **Pre-K Nature**—“*Fishy Friends*” Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities. \$6 per child.
11am-12pm

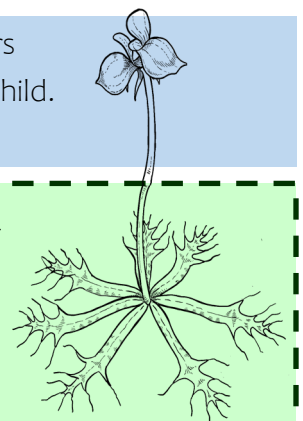
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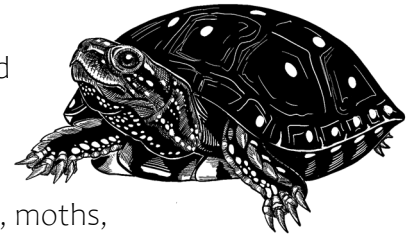
15 varieties are typically found in the Chesapeake Bay and surrounding bodies of water!

**UNDER-
WATER
PLANTS**



July 2025

- Fri. July 4 Center Closed for County Holiday—Park open sunrise to sunset.
- Sat. July 5 **Nature's Light Show**— Join us for an illuminated night as we shine a light on fireflies' role in nature. 8pm-9pm Free!
- Sun. July 6 **Raptor Chat**— Meet our resident raptors and learn about our positive-reinforcement training methods. Free! 2pm-3pm
- Fri. July 11 **SAV Watch Kayak Trip**—Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Watch Kayak Trip - In coordination with the Chesapeake Bay SAV Watchers volunteer-scientist network, Marshy Point hosts several free kayak trips each summer focused on the underwater grasses of the Upper Chesapeake Bay. Join us on the water to learn how to identify different SAV species and help us collect data on the underwater grasses growing in Dundee Creek. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 10 kayaks (tandems available); life jackets provided. Free! 6pm-8pm
- Sat. July 12 **Poison & Venom**— What's the difference? Join us to learn what makes poison and venom different and which animals contain these toxins. Free! 2pm-3pm
- Sun. July 13 **Sunday Bird Walk**— Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers. Free! 9am-11:30am
- Sun. July 13 **Pollinator Palooza**— Come celebrate our pollinators: bees, butterflies, moths, wasps. and more! Learn their habits and beneficial roles as we observe them in nature. Free! 10am-11am
- Fri. July 18 **Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Watch Volunteer Training**— In coordination with the Chesapeake Monitoring Cooperative, Marshy Point will be hosting kayak trips to collect data on Dundee Creek's SAV. This training event will cover basic SAV ecology, identification, and data collection methods. Upon completion, participants will be certified as volunteer leaders to assist in our upcoming SAV Watch kayak trips. This training is intended only for those interested in serving as group leaders on future kayak trips, as completion is not required for general kayak trip participants. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 10 kayaks (tandems available); life jackets provided. Free! 9am
- Sat. July 19 **Canoe the Creek**— Explore Dundee Creek with a naturalist. Ages 8+ to paddle. Limited to 8 canoes (tandems available); life jackets provided. \$12 per person. 10am-12pm
- Sat. July 26 **Summertime Blooms**— Join a naturalist for a hike as we explore the summertime flowers of the park. Free! 10am-12pm
- Sun. July 27 **Amazing Arachnids**— What has 8 legs and plays an important role in our ecosystem? Come find out! Free! 2pm-3pm
- Mon. July 28 **Pre-K Nature**—“Water Water Everywhere” Introduce your little ones to nature's wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities. \$6 per child. 11am-12pm



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Pick up a booklet at **Marshy Point Nature Center** to begin your exploration.

Booklets also available

- * Cromwell Valley Park
- * MD Agriculture and Farm Park
- * Lake Roland
- * Benjamin Banneker Historical Park & Museum
- * Holt Park & Center for the Art

- * Oregon Ridge Nature Center
- * Loch Raven Fishing Center (BONUS Seasonal Location)



August 2025

- Sat. Aug 2 10-11am **Marvelous Monarchs**— Monarchs are preparing for their first migration. Take a peek inside Marshy Point’s butterfly house and pollinator garden to see if you can spot any of these regal butterflies. Free!
- Sun. Aug 3 10am-12pm **Walk to Wade**—Hike with a naturalist along Marshy Point’s white and red trails to Harry’s Overlook, and cool off by wading into Saltpeter Creek. Wear comfortable shoes and bring water; the hike is approximately 1.5 miles. Free!
- Sat. Aug 9 10am-11am **Insect Safari**— Lets go netting in the fields and observe the world of insects. Free!
- Sun. Aug 10 9am-11:30am **Sunday Bird Walk**— Explore the estuary and more with our expert bird watchers. Free!
- Sun. Aug 10 9am-11am **SAV Watch Kayak Trip**—Submerged Aquatic Vegetation (SAV) Watch Kayak Trip - In coordination with the Chesapeake Bay SAV Watchers volunteer-scientist network, Marshy Point hosts several free kayak trips each summer focused on the underwater grasses of the Upper Chesapeake Bay. Join us on the water to learn how to identify different SAV species and help us collect data on the underwater grasses growing in Dundee Creek. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 10 kayaks (tandems available); life jackets provided. Free!
- Sat. Aug 16 2pm-3pm **Carnivores**— Carnivores come in all shapes and sizes. Learn about some carnivores at Marshy Point. Free!
- Sun. Aug 17 2pm-3pm **Herbivores**— Rasping and grinding food! That’s how herbivores of Marshy Point eat. Join us to find out more. Free!
- Sat. Aug 23 10am-11am **Waddle & Wiggle**— Slither, hop and crawl. Join us to learn how animals move to find food and avoid predators. Free!
- Sun. Aug 24 10am-12pm **Sunday Paddle**— Bring your own canoe, kayak, or paddleboard, or use one of our canoes or kayaks for a fun day on the water! Ages 8+ to paddle. Limited to 8 canoes; life jackets provided. Limited availability. \$12 per person.
- Mon. Aug 25 11am-12pm **Pre-K Nature**—“Turtles” Introduce your little ones to nature’s wonders while enjoying stories, crafts, games, songs, and outdoor activities. \$6 per child.
- Fri. Aug 29 7:30pm-8:30pm **Like Moths to a Flame: Night Hike & Campfire**— We are setting up a sheet and light before our hike to see what inquisitive insects we can attract while we are away. Afterwards, enjoy a treat by the campfire. \$6 per person.
- Sat. Aug. 30 10am-12pm **Late Summer Canoe Trip**— Join a naturalist for a late summer paddle as we explore Dundee Creek. Ages 8+ to paddle; limited to 8 canoes (2-3 people per canoe). Life-jackets provided. \$12 per person,
- Sun. Aug. 31 1pm-2:30pm **Explore the Understory**—Life is all around us, even in covert areas. Explore our understory to learn what life lives in and contributes to the dense vegetation. Free!

