### GET OUTSIDE AND EXPLORE THE NATURAL WORLD + THEN SHARE WHAT YOU'VE LEARNED

### What you can discover and experience at our center:

### Whooo Lives Here?

All About Plants: Pollination, Seeds, Flowers, Photosynthesis, Trees and Leaves, Plant/Animal Interactions

All About Animals: Animal Babies, What Animals Need to Survive, Animal Groups-From Worms to Bugs and Frogs to Foxes (Invertebrates & Vertebrates)

**Digging For Decomposers:** Decomposer Helpers, Worm Composting, Components of a Healthy Soil

### **Nature's Interactions**

The Cycle of Life: The Living, Non-living, and Decomposers

The Web of Life: The Food Chain, Predator/Prey Relationships, and The Nutrient/Energy Pyramid

**Habitat Investigations and Eco-Connections:** Exploring, Sampling, Data Collecting, and Sharing Your Findings with a Group



### **Understanding Our Environment**

**Niche Habitats:** The Forest as a House, Meadow Mysteries, and the Wonders of Wetlands

Water in Our World: What is it? Where is it? How much is there? How do we use it?

**Nature's Cycles:** Water, Nutrients, Decomposition, Resources, Recycling, Composting

**How Living Things Survive:** Wilderness Survival, Seasonal Strategies, Migration

**Our Planet:** Geology-Rocks and Minerals, The Earth's Crust, The Sky Above



### Let's Make Our World a Better Place

**Creating a Healthy Environment:** Wildlife-Friendly Gardening,, Protecting Endangered and Threatened Species, Invasive Flora and Fauna

**Understanding Pollution:** In Air, Water, and Soil—what causes it and how to prevent it

Renewable Energy Sources: Wind, Water, Solar

Living Sustainably: Conserving Resources, locally and globally

Science Heroines: Let's Talk About Jane Goodall, Rachel Carson, and Other Women Models

#### **Fun With Nature**

**Exploring Rancocas' Diverse Habitats:** Forests, Meadows, Vernal Pools, and Tidal Wetlands

**Hiking Our Trails-** Using all of Your Senses to Observe Nature and Record What You Find

Scavenger Hunts for all Seasons

**Geocaching in Rancocas State Park** 

Orienteering, Compass Skills, and Maps

In addition to the field trips listed, we can help your group complete the following badges:

Daisy	Brownie	Junior
Clover	Bugs	Flowers
(Use Resources	Senses	Animal Habitat
Wisely)	Hiker	Geocacher

All Scouts: It's Your Planet—Love It! Journey

## **Planning Your Visit**

Take an exciting journey through the varied habitats of the Rancocas Nature Center

Rancocas programming can focus on your area of interest. All programs feature science-based, hands-on instruction, and are taught by experienced Rancocas teacher naturalists specialized in environmental education.

To discuss your programming needs with one of our knowledgeable staff persons, call the center at 609-261-2495 or email info@rancocasnaturecenter.org.

Please make your reservations early as spring and autumn dates fill up quickly.



### **Pricing & Scheduling**

**Daisies** ..... \$80 for the first 10 scouts; \$8 for each additional scout or sibling. **Brownies & Juniors**....\$90 for the first 10 scouts; \$9 for each additional scout or sibling (no charge for leaders and chaperones)

Programs are 90 minutes for Daisies, and 2 hours for Brownies & Juniors.

A \$40 deposit is required 30 days before the program. Payment of any remaining balance is due upon arrival on the day of your program.

Our programs occur, rain or shine (within reason). Please dress appropriately for the weather.

### **The Rancocas Nature Center**

is centrally located in South Jersey in close proximity to Mt. Holly, Cherry Hill, and Philadelphia. Situated in the Rancocas State Park, the site includes varied natural habitats. Join us this summer and experience the value of environmental education at its best.

#### Directions to the Rancocas Nature Center:

<u>FROM I-295</u>: Exit 45A (Mt. Holly/Willingboro exit). Head east on Rancocas Road. The Center is on the right -hand side, about 1.8 miles from I-295.

FROM STATE ROUTE 206: Connect with Route 38 southeast of Mount Holly. Take Route 38 west to Route 541 By-pass, turn right, following Route 541 to Rancocas Road (2nd intersection). Turn left onto Rancocas Road and proceed about 1 mile. The Center will be on the left.

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### FRIENDS OF RANCOCAS NATURE CENTER

The Friends will promote stewardship and provide environmental education for the Rancocas State Park and surrounding communities through the operation of the Rancocas Nature Center. Visit us online at: www.rancocasnaturecenter.org www.facebook.com/FriendsofRNC

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