



DEERING ESTATE AT CUTLER

RECREATION & SERVICE PROGRAMS for Scouts and Community Groups

OUR LIVING CLASSROOM

The Deering Estate at Cutler is an assured destination for a wealth of experiential and recreation based educational programs that are aligned with local and state standards of learning. The *Living Classroom* at the Deering Estate at Cutler serves as an environmental education center for all of Miami-Dade County. The 444 acre Estate encompasses globally endangered pine rockland habitat, among the largest blocks of this ecosystem remaining in the United States, as well as coastal tropical hardwood rockland hammocks, mangrove forests, salt marshes, a coastal dune island and the submerged resources of Biscayne Bay. It is one of the few remaining Environmentally Endangered Lands (EEL) in Miami-Dade County, as well the property is listed on the National Register of Historic Places.

Our *Living Classroom* provides a hands-on curriculum to community youth and the general public in the field of ecology, geology, marine biology, archeology, history and art. With some of the highest quality and most diverse natural resources remaining in Miami-Dade County, our *Living Classroom* also educates our community about preserving our biodiversity through environmental stewardship, environmental sustainability, and overall resource management. Programs and Activities are structured to engage our community's youth in interactive, positive and balanced activities that help foster an understanding and appreciation as they think critically about the world around them.



Miami-Dade Parks provides quality and diverse cultural and recreational experiences for persons with disabilities. To request material in accessible format, information on access for persons with disabilities, or sign language interpreter services (7 days in advance), call (305) 755-7848 or 305-755-7980 (td).



VENTURING

The Estate offers a variety of on-site activities and eco-tours led by Education and Interpretive Staff where youth can connect with the natural environment in an atmosphere of fun and adventure. Our **Sea Lab, Fish Dissection, and Archaeology Dig** are but a few of the on-site activities available. Our **Eco-Walk, Heritage Tour, Bird or Butterfly Walk, Bike Hike, Kayak/Canoe Trips and Nite Hikes** can be modified to fit your particular group interests. Most group eco-adventures can accommodate up to 30 participants.

CAMP-INS

Perfect for school, scouting, home-school, youth and church groups. Plan it as a "bonding" trip, an end-of-the-year celebration, or just for fun! Overnights at the Deering Estate include an auditorium mini film, an Eco-Walk or Heritage Tour, indoor or semi-outdoor sleeping facilities and free admission to the Estate the next day. Guaranteed to be a camping experience that's fun, safe and dry any time of year. Our Camp-Ins are scheduled in the Visitor Center or Outdoor Pavilions on Friday and Saturday evenings only. Camp-Ins can accommodate up to 30 people. Bathroom facilities, but no shower facilities are offered.

BADGE PROGRAMS

Half-day, full-day or multiple day service learning projects or field study trips are available to both Girl and Boy Scout Troops. Hands-on activities and themes include **ecology, geology, marine biology, archaeology, history and art**. All activities and programs correlate to specific Scout Badge opportunities so that G/B Scouts can enjoy an adventure on the Estate while earning their badge of honor. Boy Scout Badge programs include: **Archaeology, Nature, Bird Study, Reptile and Amphibian Study and Canoeing Merit Badge**. Girl Scout Badge programs include: **Eco-Explorer, Ecology, Earth Connections, Geology, Outdoor Adventurer and Wildlife Badge**.

Please visit www.deeringestate.org.

FEES AND INFORMATION

Please check with the Education and Interpretive Staff.

We require a ratio of one (1) adult chaperone for every ten (10) children for our field study trips and reverse tours.

Availability, reservations, and bookings for all Living Classroom Programs must be confirmed by a Deering Estate at Cutler staff member.

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GROUP REGISTRATION FORM

BOOKING/RESERVATION INFO REQUEST ONLY

Group Name	
Contact's Name	
Mailing Address	
Phone/Fax	
Email	
Date of Visit	<input type="checkbox"/> Monday <input type="checkbox"/> Tuesday <input type="checkbox"/> Wednesday <input type="checkbox"/> Thursday <input type="checkbox"/> Friday <input type="checkbox"/> Saturday <input type="checkbox"/> Sunday
Arrival Time	
Departure Time	
Grade/Age Range	
PROGRAM REQUEST	
<input type="checkbox"/> Venturing	<input type="checkbox"/> Sea Lab <input type="checkbox"/> Fish Dissection <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeology Dig <input type="checkbox"/> Eco-Walk (3) <input type="checkbox"/> Heritage Tour <input type="checkbox"/> Kayak/Canoe Trip (2) <input type="checkbox"/> Nite Hike <input type="checkbox"/> Bike Hike
<input type="checkbox"/> Camp-Ins	<input type="checkbox"/> Visitor Center <input type="checkbox"/> VC Movie Auditorium <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Pavilion <input type="checkbox"/> Campfire Ring
<input type="checkbox"/> Badge Program	<input type="checkbox"/> Eco-Explorer <input type="checkbox"/> Earth Connections <input type="checkbox"/> Outdoor Adventurer <input type="checkbox"/> Ecology <input type="checkbox"/> Geology <input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife <input type="checkbox"/> Archaeology <input type="checkbox"/> Nature <input type="checkbox"/> Bird Study <input type="checkbox"/> Reptile and Amphibian Study <input type="checkbox"/> Canoeing Merit
<input type="checkbox"/> Other, describe	
ADDITIONAL DETAILS	
Lunch	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> Assistance Needed
Special Needs	
Notes	
Payment	# _____ x \$ _____ = \$ _____ <input type="checkbox"/> Cash <input type="checkbox"/> Check <input type="checkbox"/> Credit Card <input type="checkbox"/> PO <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
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