



# 2026 DAY CAMP GUIDE



# WILD ONES WELCOMED

Great Parks' day camps are designed to spark curiosity, inspire creativity, build new skills and connect young explorers with the natural world. Each camp is tailored to a specific age group and offers unique experiences in a safe, supportive environment.

Camps are offered at five Great Parks destinations across Hamilton County:

**Lake Isabella** 

**Miami Whitewater Forest**  

**Sharon Woods**  

**Winton Woods**  

**Woodland Mound** 



**Register today!**

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## Adventure Camps

### Operation Outdoors: Adventure Camp

#### Sessions:

June 1-5 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 22-26 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

\*Before and after care is available.

**Cost:** \$325 **Ages:** 10-14

#### Location: Miami Whitewater Forest

From paddles to pathways, this camp is packed with wild experiences and new outdoor skills! During this unforgettable week, campers join a crew of explorers to climb high, hike the trails, paddle across the water and take aim at the archery range, all while forging friendships, making memories and finding their inner trailblazers.



### Float Camp

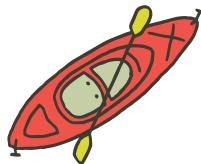
#### Session:

June 16-19 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$320 **Ages:** 10-15

#### Location: Sharon Woods

Learn what it takes to kayak, canoe and paddleboard on the newly improved Sharon Lake! Campers develop navigation, rescue and other skills needed for paddling success, plus enjoy crafts and games when off the water. By the end of the week, campers are ready to take their new skills and knowledge on an adventure down the Little Miami River.



### BEFORE & AFTER CARE

*Before and after care are available for Operation Outdoors camps at Miami Whitewater Forest for \$30 per week, per camper. Indicate your choice when registering. The hours are 7:30-9 a.m. for before care and 4-5:30 p.m. for after care.*

## Survival in the Wild

#### Sessions:

July 7-10 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

July 14-17 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$220 **Ages:** 8-12

#### Location: Sharon Woods

Does your camper have what it takes to survive in the wild? Campers are challenged in the art of shelter building, fire starting and exploring the park's unknown areas, while also enjoying fun games and learning to craft solar cookers and water filters. By the end of the week, they understand their basic needs and what skills are required for survival.



## Advanced Survival in the Wild

#### Session:

July 21-24 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$320 **Ages:** 10-14

#### Location: Sharon Woods

Take survival skills to the next level! Campers build shelters that can withstand nature's elements, use flint and steel to start fires and paddle out onto Sharon Lake. After becoming "lost" in the woods, campers finish the week as true survivalists!



## Farm Camps

### Spring Break Pony Camp

#### Sessions:

March 23-26 (Ages 5-6)

9:30-11:30 a.m.

March 30-April 2 (Ages 3-4)

9:30-11:30 a.m.

**Cost:** \$180

#### Location: Winton Woods

Giddy-up, young buckaroos! Whether riding a pony, brushing its hair, playing horse-themed games or creating handmade crafts, campers spend four days getting to know ponies and other farm friends. Registration includes one complimentary caregiver (required).

## Lil' Farmers: Barnyard Friends

#### Session:

June 1-4 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**Cost:** \$180 **Ages:** 3-5

#### Location: Winton Woods

Have a hands-on barnyard adventure while learning about farm animals with your toddler or preschooler. Campers help with simple farm chores, read stories, make crafts and play games. Registration includes one complimentary caregiver (required).



### Lil' Farmers: Ponies

#### Sessions:

June 22-25 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.

July 13-16 | 9:30-11:30 a.m.

**Cost:** \$180 **Ages:** 3-5

#### Location: Winton Woods

Saddle up for four days of pony playtime for toddlers and preschoolers. Campers take a ride on a pony, brush ponies until they shine, play horse-themed games and use their unbridled creativity to make crafts. Registration includes one complimentary caregiver (required).



### Farmer for a Week

#### Sessions:

June 8-11 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

June 29-July 2 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

July 20-23 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Cost:** \$275 **Ages:** 6-12

#### Location: Winton Woods

Explore the farm and discover what farmers do every day to keep barnyard animals happy and healthy. Campers meet and care for friendly farm animals, enjoy games and



connect with nature. By the end of the week, campers gain valuable skills and a deeper appreciation for the environment!

### Farm Food Adventures

#### Sessions:

June 15-18 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.  
July 6-9 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Cost: \$275 Ages: 6-8**

#### Location: Winton Woods

Dig into an un-beet-able four days of fun exploring the exciting world of farming and food! During this hands-on camp, young adventurers connect with nature while discovering where their food comes from. Campers tend to the garden and help make tasty, healthy snacks from fresh ingredients.

### Farm to Fork

#### Session:

July 27-30 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

**Cost: \$275 Ages: 9-13**

#### Location: Winton Woods

From soil to salad and compost to cobbler: calling all farm foodies! Campers tend to the garden, harvest fresh ingredients and create snacks while gaining an understanding of sustainable food systems. At the end of the week, campers put their skills to the test in a friendly cooking challenge, leaving camp with an appreciation for where their food comes from.



### Fishing Camps

#### Fishing 101: Reeling in the Basics

#### Sessions:

June 2-5 | 7:30-11:30 a.m.  
June 9-12 | 7:30-11:30 a.m.

**Cost: \$220 Ages: 8-12**

#### Location: Lake Isabella

Want to learn the basics of fishing? This camp is perfect for young anglers who are just starting out or have never fished before. Campers learn casting techniques, how to tie knots, bait hooks, use lures and identify the fish they catch. All tackle and gear are provided.



#### Fishing 202: Exploring Deeper Waters

#### Sessions:

June 16-19 | 7:30-11:30 a.m.  
June 23-26 | 7:30-11:30 a.m.

**Cost: \$220 Ages: 8-14**

#### Location: Lake Isabella

Make a splash with new and familiar fishing skills! This camp is perfect for young anglers who already know the basics. Campers learn how to make their own lures and take care of their tackle. Campers may use Great Parks' fishing gear or bring their own.



#### Fishing 303: Fishing on the Water

#### Session:

June 30-July 3 | 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m.

**Cost: \$320 Ages: 12-15**

#### Location: Lake Isabella

Paddle out on the lake and cast your line! This camp is perfect for young anglers who have already mastered the basics. Campers build skills used in bank and offshore fishing, culminating in a river canoe excursion on Friday to see what bites. Campers may use Great Parks' fishing gear or bring their own.



### Horse Camps

#### Entry Level (Spring Break)

#### Sessions:

March 23-26 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
March 30-April 2 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m..

**Cost: \$425 Ages: 7-14**

#### Location: Winton Woods

Spend your spring break discovering the world of horses! This four-day, full-day camp is designed for beginning-level riders. Campers learn horsemanship basics, including all aspects of safety, grooming and riding.

#### Novice-E to Advanced Novice (Spring Break)

#### Sessions:

March 23-26 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.  
March 30-April 2 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Cost: \$425 Ages: 7-14**

#### Location: Winton Woods

This four-day, full-day camp is designed for riders with prior lesson or camp experience, including currently enrolled lesson students. Campers grow their horsemanship skills, develop their horse knowledge, learn to independently care for horses and build confidence on the ground and in the saddle.



### Entry Level

#### Sessions:

May 26-29 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 1-4 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 30-July 3 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 6-9 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 20-23 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 27-30 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Cost: \$425 Ages: 7-14**

#### Location: Winton Woods

This four-day, full-day camp is designed for beginning-level riders. Campers learn horsemanship basics, including all aspects of safety, grooming and riding.

### Entry Level: Middle & High School

#### Session:

June 22-25 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Cost: \$425 Ages: 12-18**

#### Location: Winton Woods

Perfect for middle and high school students new to horses or with limited experience, this four-day camp provides foundations in horse safety, grooming, basic care and riding. Campers gain confidence and build their skills in a fun and educational setting!

### Novice-E to Advanced Novice

#### Sessions:

May 26-29 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 1-4 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 30-July 3 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 6-9 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 20-23 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 27-30 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Cost: \$425 Ages: 7-14**

#### Location: Winton Woods

This camp is designed for riders with prior lesson or camp experience, including currently enrolled lesson students. Campers build upon existing skills, learn to independently care for horses, develop their horse knowledge and gain confidence on the ground and in the saddle.

## Advanced

### Sessions:

June 15-18 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 13-16 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Cost: \$450 Ages: 10-18**

### Location: Winton Woods

To qualify for this camp, campers must have achieved at least the Advanced Novice level in lessons or attended a minimum of four previous horse camps. Campers refine their skills through advanced mounted instruction and an in-depth study of horse care, grooming, safety and riding techniques.

## IEA Horse Camp

### Sessions:

June 8-11 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

**Cost: \$450 Ages: 10-18**

### Location: Winton Woods

This camp is specially designed for members of Great Parks' Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) Team. Campers receive intensive coaching focused on proper riding, horse care and sportsmanship. In addition to daily riding lessons, campers attend classroom sessions to deepen their understanding of horse management, competition strategy and teamwork.



## Nature Camps

### Operation Outdoors:

#### Once Upon an Ohio...



### Sessions:

May 26-29 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 29-July 2 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

*\*Before and after care is available.*

**Cost: \$220 Ages: 6-11**

### Location: Miami Whitewater Forest

Calling all future archeologists and paleontologists: grab a treasure map and get ready for a time-traveling adventure where secrets lie below the surface! Campers unearth Ohio's past

on a hunt for Ordovician fossils and ancient artifacts, such as pottery and atlatls, in our mock dig pits. From prehistoric plants to traditional pastimes like lacrosse, campers learn the handicraft histories and mammoth-sized mysteries behind the land we now call Ohio.



## Operation Outdoors: Inventor Expedition!

### Sessions:

June 1-5 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

June 8-12 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

*\*Before and after care is available.*

**Cost: \$275 Ages: 6-11**

**Location: Miami Whitewater Forest**  
Grab your gadgets and roll out the blueprints—the next wild idea is waiting in the woods! With the forest as their workshop, campers test their tinker talents through wacky design challenges, team-building activities and fast-paced problem solving. Inspired by nature, campers create their own fishing poles, invent and test miniature boat models and construct natural shelters.



## Dungeons & Deep Woods

### Sessions:

June 2-5 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Location: Sharon Woods

June 9-12 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Location: Woodland Mound

**Cost: \$220 Ages: 10-14**

Tabletop fantasy adventure meets the great outdoors! Campers play through a D&D journey, exploring a fantastical world and protecting its wildlife. Between game sessions, campers explore the park and learn outdoor skills inspired by their characters' survival techniques.

## Operation Outdoors: Nature Nomads

### Sessions:

June 8-12 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

*\*Before and after care is available.*

**Cost: \$300 Ages: 10-14**

### Location: Miami Whitewater Forest

During this trailblazing week, your camper joins a squad of bold explorers for historic undertakings and wild nature quests! Campers lace up their boots and travel from park to park in search of new experiences, from throwing tomahawks and discovering ancient earthworks to finding Great Parks' biggest tree.

## Operation Outdoors: Enchanted Forest

### Sessions:

June 22-26 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 6-10 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

*\*Before and after care is available.*

**Cost: \$275 Ages: 6-11**

**Location: Miami Whitewater Forest**  
Magic is real—you just have to know where to look! Campers enter the creative world of fairytales by climbing to the treetops for a giant's-eye view, setting sail with pedal boats on the shimmering lake, embarking on epic trail quests and tiptoeing through secret-filled creeks. Along the way, campers meet the forest's colorful characters, solve riddles and discover legendary myths!

## Wild Art

### Sessions:

June 23-26 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Location: Sharon Woods

July 21-24 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Location: Woodland Mound

**Cost: \$220 Ages: 6-12**

Get inspired by nature! While exploring the park, campers learn about the patterns, colors and symbolism found in the natural world. Whether painting, writing or making music, campers learn techniques to express themselves through the beauty of the outdoors.

## Wild Encounters

### Sessions:

June 30-July 3 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Location: Sharon Woods

July 28-31 | 9 a.m.-2:30 p.m.

### Location: Woodland Mound

**Cost: \$220 Ages: 6-12**

A nature adventure awaits! Each day, campers immerse themselves in the outdoors while roaming forests, fields and creeks. Along the way, they meet Great Parks' animal ambassadors, get creative, make messes and encounter wildlife!

## Operation Outdoors: H2Woah!

### Sessions:

July 20-24 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

July 27-31 | 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

*\*Before and after care is available.*

**Cost: \$275 Ages: 6-11**

**Location: Miami Whitewater Forest**  
From creek to cup, discover the wonders of water and go with the flow! Campers splash through creeks, cast fishing lines and glide across the lake in canoes and pedal boats. When on land, they roll up their sleeves and dip into the science of aquatic life with animal encounters, hands-on experiments and water games.



## Nocturnal Camp

### Sessions:

July 21-24 | 7-11 p.m.

**Cost: \$200 Ages: 10-14**

### Location: Miami Whitewater Forest

As the sun sets, the fun begins! Get ready to delve into darkness and discover the park after dark. Campers tell stories around a campfire, test their night senses, explore the forest and catch some moonlit mania as they learn what it means to be nocturnal.

