

# YOUTH GROUP CAMPING

## Tuckahoe State Park:

In addition to Tuckahoe's 34 electric hook-up campsites, 20 non-electric sites, and 7 mini-cabins (all with central bathhouses), there are also 4 campsites available to youth groups. These sites are for groups of 30 or less, located in a wooded area just off the non-electric camping loop, each comes equipped with a fire ring, picnic tables and access to restroom facilities (no bathhouse). There is a \$6.25 reservation fee per booking, and groups must possess a Maryland State Park Youth Group Pass (free, application available online). Reservations can be made by calling 1-888-432-2267 or online at <https://parkreservations.maryland.gov/>.



## Wye Island NRMA:

Youth Group Camping is available at Wye Island NRMA on two (2) primitive campsites. Dividing Creek and Solo Cove Youth Group sites each hold a maximum of 40 people. Primitive restroom facilities (pit toilet) are available. There is a \$6.25 reservation fee per booking, and groups must possess a Maryland State Park Youth Group Pass (free, application available online). Reservations can be made by calling 1-888-432-2267 or online at <https://parkreservations.maryland.gov/>.

## Sassafras NRMA:

Sassafras has one (1) primitive campsite available that holds a maximum of 40 people. Primitive restroom facilities (portable toilet) are available. There is a \$6.25 reservation fee per booking, and groups must possess a Maryland State Park Youth Group Pass (free, application available online). Reservations can be made by calling 410-820-1668 or emailing [tuckahoe.statepark@maryland.gov](mailto:tuckahoe.statepark@maryland.gov)



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## Wye Island NRMA:

632 Wye Island Rd, Queenstown MD 21658

## Sassafras NRMA:

13506 Turners Creek Rd, Kennedyville MD 21645

## Cypress Branch State Park:

10803 Galena Rd, Millington MD 21651

## Martinak State Park:

137 Deep Shore Rd, Denton MD 21629

# GROUP ACTIVITIES & CAMPING

TUCKAHOE, MARTINAK, &  
CYPRESS BRANCH STATE PARKS  
WYE ISLAND & SASSAFRAS  
NRMA



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# SELF-LED ACTIVITIES

**Trails:** Tuckahoe features are over 20 miles of trails for hiking, biking and equestrian use.

**Tuckahoe's Lore of the Land Sensory Trail:** A self-guided trail with interactive stations.

**Fitness Trails:** Travel at your own pace while doing movements and exercises that mimic Maryland's native wildlife at both Tuckahoe & Martinak.

**Sports:** Start a game of beach volleyball, kickball or horseshoes, loaner equipment is available.

**Disc Golf:** An 18-hole course is located in the Cherry Lane area, limited loaner discs available.

**Picnics and campfires:** Two main picnic areas (at the Lake and on Cherry Lane) offer playgrounds, grills, tables, pavilions (by reservation only), and open space; a group campfire ring and pavilion in the youth group camping area can also be reserved.

**Aviary Tour:** Visit Tuckahoe's Aviary to learn about raptors housed there.(12282 Eveland Rd)

**Scavenger Hunt, Nature Bingo, & Orienteering:** Visit the park's webpage to print a self-guided activities for your group



## GROUP RENTALS

Fishing Rods: \$3 each

Canoes: \$20/boat for 4 hours  
\$30/boat for 8 hours

Youth groups can reserve 4-8 canoes. Advanced reservations required. Single and tandem kayaks available for rent on a first come, first serve basis at \$15/hour/boat.

# RANGER PROGRAMS

## Canoeing 101 (Ages 8+)

2-3 hours Group Size 8-24 \$15/person  
Learn proper paddling techniques, rescue skills, safety and basic terminology. This class is tailored to the skills/experience of the group and can incorporate standards for badge completion.

## Learn & Do: Canoe! (Ages 8+)

45 min/4 hours Group Size 8-24 \$35/group  
In this hybrid option, staff will briefly cover proper paddling techniques and safety for paddling. Then, staff will help your group load up and launch for your own paddle. This option is used in conjunction with your youth group canoe rental; see previous column for pricing.

## Guided Canoe Trip (Ages 14+)

2 hours Group Size 8-24 \$10/person  
Explore Tuckahoe's scenic flooded woodlands with park staff. Previous paddling experience is required.

## Leave No Trace (Ages 7+)

45 minutes Group Size 8-24 \$3/person  
A great introductory program for groups learning outdoor skills. LNT emphasizes a stewardship ethic and how to enjoy natural resources with little or no impact. Each participant receives a LNT pack tag.

## Tuckahoe's Amazing Race (Ages 7+)

1.5 hours Min. 3 teams of 3-6 people \$4/person  
Teams work together to complete this physically and mentally challenging race through the park. Including team building activities, orienteering, thinking skills & personal challenges in one event.

## Fishing 101 (Ages 7+)

1 hour Group Size 6-15 \$50/group  
Learn the fundamentals of fishing, participate in a casting contest, then catch fish that live in the lake. Free loaner equipment available for use after program.

## Archery 101 (Ages 7+)

1 hour Suggested Group Size 8-16 \$100/hour  
Get a brief history lesson and instruction before you work on your aim. Equipment provided. \$50/add'l hour.

## Guided Hike

1 hour Suggested Group Size 6-20 \$75/group  
Learn about native plants and animals and the roles they play in their ecosystem.

# SCALES & TALES

## Reptile Wrap-Up (Ages 8+)

\$75 in-park, \$125 off-site, 30-45 minutes. Scaly creatures will captivate you as we separate fact from fiction and learn about the benefits of these often misunderstood creatures. Learn about Maryland's wonderfully diverse reptile population.

## Scaly Storytime (Ages 2-6)

\$75 in-park, \$100 off-site, 30-45 minutes. Young audiences will enjoy meeting critters up close, while listening to a story. Add a craft: All craft materials provided for groups of 25 children or less for an additional \$25.

## Private Aviary Tour (All Ages)

\$75, 45-60 minutes. Join park staff at Tuckahoe's Aviary for a tour and feeding demonstration while learning about Maryland's native birds of prey.



## PROGRAM KITS

Tuckahoe State Park now offers a number of kits that are designed to be led by the group's leaders. This system works similar to a library system in which you select which program kit your group would like to do. Inside the kit will be detailed instructions along with all materials needed for the activity. The kits are designed for 25 people at a fee of \$40 (additional \$1 for each person over 25). Ranger led kits are \$75.

## Owl Pellet Dissection (Ages 5+) ~30-45 minutes

Learn how to dissect owl pellets and figure out what owls eat.

## Wildlife CSI (Ages 7+) ~30-45 minutes

Groups will study the scene, learning about animal tracks and scat, to help solve the mystery!

## Trash Timeline (Ages 7+) ~30-45 minutes

Learn about the three R's: reduce, reuse, recycle! Participants will sort through and learn about the shelf life of everyday items.

## Orienteering (Ages 7+) ~45-60 minutes

Learn how to use a compass, then use it to navigate your team through the course in the campground. (Loaner compasses provided.) Multiple orienteering programs available.