



# Tolland State Forest

Department of Conservation and Recreation

## JULY—AUGUST 2025 PROGRAMS

All programs are free and open to the public. An adult must accompany children. For more information call (413) 269-6002.



ADA/Reasonable Accommodations

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**TUESDAYS  
THROUGH  
SATURDAYS**  
EXCEPT JULY 12  
& AUG. 9

### NATURE CENTER OPEN, 1:00—3:00 p.m.

The Nature Center is located in the campground on the path to the camper beach. Discover exhibits on local nature and history. Meet and talk with the Park Interpreter. Drop-in to enjoy a nature storybook, study a field guide, make a nature-themed craft, or play a game. Examine our collection of bugs, critter skulls, and more! For all ages.

**TUESDAYS &  
THURSDAYS**  
EXCEPT JULY 1,  
JULY 12 &  
AUG. 9

### TALES AND TRAILS HIKE, 10:30 a.m.—NOON

All ages. Short hikes on easy to moderate trails feature local cultural or natural history. Wear sturdy shoes, dress for the weather, bring water, a snack, and bug spray. Heavy rain cancels.

**Check postings at campground contact station or Nature Center for designated meeting place.**

**WEDNESDAYS**  
EXCEPT JULY 23

### KIDLEIDOSCOPE, 10:00—11:00 a.m.

Families with children ages 3-10. Discover Nature through a story, then play a related game or make a craft. Nature topics vary. Siblings welcome, too! **Meet at the Nature Center.**

**THURSDAYS**  
EXCEPT JULY 24 &  
AUG. 21

### CRITTERS OF THE FOREST, 3:00—4:00 p.m.

For all ages. Discover local wildlife: amphibians, birds, mammals, and reptiles! Explore real fur pelts, skulls, tracks, and more. Includes activity, game, and craft. **Meet at the Nature Center.**

**FRIDAYS**

### HANDS-ON NATURE, 2:30—3:30 p.m.

For all ages. Create a nature-based craft project including natural elements when available. Projects include fish prints, nature journals, hanging butterflies, sun-prints, and more! **Meet at the Nature Center deck.**

**FRIDAYS**

### MEET & GREET, 4:00—6:00 p.m.

For all ages. Meet the Park Interpreter during camper check-in **at the park entrance Contact Station.** Features a quick craft or hands-on display about the park and information about programs you can enjoy during your stay.

**FRIDAYS AND  
SATURDAYS**  
EXCEPT JULY 12 &  
AUG. 9

### EVENING CAMPFIRE, 7:00—8:00 p.m.

For all ages. Gather 'round the campfire across the path from the Nature Center. Come learn fire safety, how to start a fire, and other elements of a perfect campfire every Friday at Campfire 101. Saturday topics may include the night sky or the nocturnal critters that come out while you're fast asleep. Bring bug spray, your favorite camp chair, your own s'mores supplies if you'd like, and a flashlight. Heavy rain cancels. **Meet across the path from the Nature Center.**

**SATURDAYS**  
EXCEPT JULY 12

### NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT, 4:00—5:00 p.m.

For all ages. A short guided hike. Search high and low to discover who and what shares this campground with you, Bugs, red-efts, leaves, bark, flowers—what's on the list? From the water to the treetops, see what we can find at the beach, Nature Center, and along the trail. Wear comfortable walking shoes. Heavy rain cancels. **Meet at the camper beach.**

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coming events