

Great Parks of Hamilton County

2022 Day Camps



Booking a Camp

Welcome to the Great Parks of Hamilton County's 2022 Day Camps listings. Here you'll find all offerings of what your children can discover in the great outdoors this summer!

Ready to sign your kids up for a day camp? Visit greatparks.org/day-camps. For additional questions, please email us at daycamps@greatparks.org or call 513-521-7275.

Adventure Camps

Ultimate Challenge Camp

Ages: 10–13

Price: \$295

Location: Winton Woods/Adventure Outpost

Dates:

- June 6–9 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- June 13–16 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- June 20–23 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- July 11–14 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- July 25–28 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- August 1–4 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

It's a fast-paced, four-day adventure in Winton Woods! Campers will experience team-building and partnered activities on the trail, in the field and even on the low ropes course. We'll also explore adventure skills with individual sports such as archery and kayaking. Are you ready for the challenge?

Outdoor Adventure Challenge

Ages: 14–16

Price: \$295

Location: Winton Woods/Adventure Outpost

Dates:

- June 27–30 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- July 18–21 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Summer is the perfect time to challenge yourself with adventure skills in the great outdoors! Enjoy a variety of activities such as precisely paddling a canoe and kayak, accurately shooting an arrow, and trying your hand at tomahawk throwing. It's way more than just a walk in the park!

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Farm Camps

Growing Up a Farm Kid: Barnyard Friends

Ages: 2–5

Price: \$180 (includes one complimentary parent/caregiver)

Location: Winton Woods/Park's Farm

Dates:

- June 6–9 | 9:30–11 a.m.

Get close to the farm animals with your toddler or preschooler. Help with some simple farm chores, read stories, make crafts and play games. One parent or adult caregiver is required to stay, play and learn along with their child.

Growing Up a Farm Kid: Ponies

Ages: 2–5

Price: \$180 (includes one complimentary parent/caregiver)

Location: Winton Woods/Park's Farm

Dates:

- June 13–16 | 9:30–11:30 a.m.

Discover the world of ponies and their friends as we learn how to care for them. Brush and groom a pony until they shine. Play horsey games and make crafts. One parent or adult caregiver is required to stay, play and learn along with their child.

Farmer for a Week

This is a drop-off program in which children learn about the farm with their peers and Park's Farm staff.

Ages: 6–12

Price: \$220

Location: Winton Woods/Park's Farm

Dates:

- July 18–21 | 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Explore the farm and find out what our farmers do every day to keep our barnyard animals fed, safe and healthy. Clean and feed a variety of farm animals, assist with their training, construct enrichment activities (toys), and plant animal snacks in the garden. After chores are done, take a hike in the woods and enjoy other fun nature activities.

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Farm Camps *(continued)*

Farm to Table

This is a drop-off program in which children learn about the farm with their peers and Parky's Farm staff.

Ages: 6–12

Price: \$220

Location: Winton Woods/Parky's Farm

Dates:

- July 25–28 | 9:30 a.m.–2:30 p.m.

Food can be fun! Put on your chef's hat and apron in order to help make your own lunch. Visit and care for our farm animals that provide us with the ingredients, gather fresh produce from the garden then create a delicious meal.

Fishing Camps

Fishing Camp 101: Reeling in the Basics

Ages: 8–12

Price: \$180

Location: Lake Isabella/Chart Room

Dates:

- May 31–June 3 | 7:30–11:30 a.m.
- June 13–16 | 7:30–11:30 a.m.

Want to learn the basics of fishing? This camp is perfect for young anglers who are just learning or who have never fished before. Campers will be taught casting skills, proper knot-tying techniques and how to bait a hook and use lures, as well as how to identify the fish they catch. All tackle and gear provided.

Fishing Camp 202: Exploring Deeper Waters

Ages: 12–15

Price: \$180

Location: Lake Isabella/Chart Room

Dates:

- June 27–30 | 7:30–11:30 a.m.

Let's learn about the different types of fishing! This camp is perfect for young anglers who already know the basics. Campers will be taught how to make their own lures and take care of their tackle. Guest speakers will add further knowledge of the sport. Campers must bring their own gear.

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Horse Camps

Spring Break Horse Camp

Ages: 7–14

Price: \$300

Location: Winton Woods/Winton Woods Riding Center

Dates:

- March 15–17 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- April 12–14 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Winton Woods Riding Center spring break horse camps are full-day camps running Tuesday–Thursday. Topics covered include horse safety, breeds, grooming and riding. This camp is suitable for beginners to advanced beginner-level riders. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until camps fill and/or begin.

Summer Horse Camp

Ages: 7–14

Price: \$385

Location: Winton Woods/Winton Woods Riding Center

Dates:

- May 31–June 3 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- June 6–9 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- June 13–16 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- June 27–30 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- July 5–8 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- July 18–21 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- August 1–4 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

Winton Woods Riding Center summer horse camps are full-day camps. Topics covered include horse safety, breeds, grooming and riding. This camp is suitable for beginners to intermediate level riders. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until camps fill and/or begin.

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Horse Camps *(continued)*

Advanced Horse Camp

Ages: 8–17

Price: \$385

Location: Winton Woods/Winton Woods Riding Center

Dates:

- June 20–23 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.
- July 25–29 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

To qualify for the advanced riding camp, students must have achieved at least novice level in lessons or have attended at least four prior horse camps. Topics covered include horse safety, breeds, grooming and a variety of riding styles. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis until camps fill and/or begin.

Hunt Seat Boot Camp

Ages: 11–20

Price: \$475

Location: Winton Woods/Winton Woods Riding Center

Dates:

- July 11–15 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m.

This camp is designed for serious riders who are part of an Interscholastic Equestrian Association (IEA) team or who are collegiate Hunt Seat (IHSA) bound. Riders participating in this camp should have an intermediate or better level of riding proficiency with experience in the Hunt Seat/Hunter Jumper style. Campers will receive intensive under-saddle coaching, with a focus on proper equitation, excellent sportsmanship and horsemanship. There will be no lack of fun along the way, but campers will leave polished and ready for their next show.

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Nature Camps

Operation Outdoors: Nature Nuts

Ages: 6–12

Price: \$275

Before care and after care are available, each for \$25/week for children who register for Operation Outdoors camps only. When registering your child, please indicate which option you're interested in, if any. Before care is available from 7:30–9 a.m. and after care is available from 4–5:30 p.m.

Location: Miami Whitewater Forest/Visitor Center & Fernbank Park/Fernbank Lodge

Dates:

- June 6–10 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Miami Whitewater Forest
- June 13–17 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Miami Whitewater Forest
- June 20–24 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Fernbank Park

Dig into the depths of nature through interactive explorations! Grab your investigation kit and explore the outdoors through a variety of crafts, activities and animal encounters. Crack the nut and examine the nature surrounding us.

Nature Encounters

Ages: 6–11

Price: \$180

Location: Sharon Woods/Sharon Centre

Dates:

- June 7–10 | 9 a.m.–noon
- June 14–17 | 9 a.m.–noon
- July 12–15 | 9 a.m.–noon

A nature adventure is waiting for you! Each day we'll roam the forests, fields or creeks of Sharon Woods. Along the way we will meet animal ambassadors, get creative, make messes, and encounter wildlife! Sign up for one session or all three, as there's always something new to explore!

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Nature Camps *(continued)*

Operation Outdoors: Wild Wonders

Ages: 6–12

Price: \$275; week of July 5–8: \$220

Before care and after care are available, each for \$25/week for children who register for Operation Outdoors camps only. When registering your child, please indicate which option you're interested in, if any. Before care is available from 7:30–9 a.m. and after care is available from 4–5:30 p.m.

Location: Miami Whitewater Forest/Visitor Center & Fernbank Park/Fernbank Lodge

Dates:

- June 27–July 1 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Miami Whitewater Forest
- July 5–8 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Miami Whitewater Forest
- July 11–15 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Fernbank Park

From animals to plants, the parks are filled with wild wonders. A nature adventure is waiting for you! Each day, you will take part in animal experiences, wild crafts and exploring the world around you. How many things can you discover?

Operation Outdoors: Twisted Nature

Ages: 6–12

Price: \$275

Before care and after care are available, each for \$25/week for children who register for Operation Outdoors camps only. When registering your child, please indicate which option you're interested in, if any. Before care is available from 7:30–9 a.m. and after care is available from 4–5:30 p.m.

Location: Miami Whitewater Forest/Visitor Center & Fernbank Park/Fernbank Lodge

Dates:

- July 18–22 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Miami Whitewater Forest
- July 25–29 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Fernbank Park
- August 1–5 | 9 a.m.–4 p.m. | Miami Whitewater Forest

Dig into the squishy, stinky science of Earth's beauty. Whether looking at the forest floor, between the cracks in the sidewalk or even in the air we breathe, discover the strange, unique (and sometimes, smelly!) ways nature works to create balance and harmony.

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Photography Camps

Digital Photography

Ages: 11–14

Price: \$180

Location: Sharon Woods/Sharon Centre

Dates:

- June 21–24 | 9 a.m.–noon

Campers will spend four days in the park developing creativity and photography skills with professional photojournalist Malinda Hartong. We'll use nature to learn and practice basics such as composition, exposure and flash, macro and fast-action settings, and portraits. Campers must bring their own digital camera (point-and-shoot, mirrorless or digital single-lens reflex).

Photos on the Go

Ages: 11–14

Price: \$180

Location: Sharon Woods/Sharon Centre

Dates:

- July 19–22 | 9 a.m.–noon

Join professional photojournalist Malinda Hartong as we explore Great Parks through photography. Learn how to take stunning photos on a smartphone and then edit them on the fly to create amazing works of art. Campers must bring their own smartphone, iPod Touch or tablet with a camera.