



UNICOI STATE PARK & LODGE

Field Trips



**1788 Hwy 356
Helen, GA 30545
(706)-878-4727**

Unicoi State Park and Lodge is a unique educational resource located in North Georgia, 2 miles north of Helen. Our programs provide education on environmental, cultural, recreational and historical resources. Our facility is suited for school fieldtrips, conference functions, scout troops, church, civic, and adult groups. You may choose a combination of the programs to fit your needs and schedule.

Field Trips Offered

Our field trip programs are designed for elementary age students from kindergarten through fifth grade. If there is a specific lesson not listed here, we can work together to develop a lesson that will give your students the experience you desire. Most of the lessons include a guided hike, as well as time in our playground area. If you would to book a picnic pavilion for lunch, please include this request at time of booking. Pricing varies depending on type of program, materials needed and number of staff required.

- Rocks and Minerals
- Mammals, Animal Habitats, Food Chain
- Tree ID
- Pioneers and Early Settlers
- Creek and Cherokee Indians
- Owl Pellet Lab
- Trout Release
- Snakes/Reptiles
- Scavenger Hunt with GPS
- Lake and Stream Ecology
- Birds of Prey
- Gold Panning
- Animals of Unicoi

How to Plan a Field Trip

The first step in planning for a group program would be to explore our list of program topics below. Select a program that is appropriate for your group's size, age range, and time availability. Have questions or special requests? Contact us! We are extremely flexible when planning and coordinating, and we can work with you to design a program that is designed to suit your needs.

Scheduling Your Field Trip

To schedule a group program, contact Maranda Stone, our Interpretive Ranger, at 706-878-4727. Or email k.lovan@unicoilodge.com. Making reservations at least 2 months in advance is advised to ensure dates of choice. When contacting us, please be prepared with the following information:

- Group name or school
- Person of contact (name, email, phone number)
- Number of attendants
- Age/grade level of the students or group
- Program topic
- Preferred and alternate dates of program
- Time of arrival and desired length of program
- Tax exemption status
- Any special considerations (handicap accessible, hearing/vision needs, etc.)

Outdoor Programs and Activities

Our outdoor programs can be modified to fit your group's needs and wishes. Pricing varies depending on type of activity.

- Campfire, stories and S'mores
- Full beach rental (only mornings)
- GPS Scavenger Hunt
- Guided Nature Hike
- Archery
- Fly Fishing School
- Kayak/paddle board rental
- Slack lining
- Hay Ride
- Night Hike

Team Building Activities

Our team building activities are great for all types of businesses, family reunions, and any other group of individuals looking to grow closer and become more cohesive. The games and activities are designed to be fun and motivational, while also encouraging communication, planning, problem solving, and conflict resolution. All of our activities incorporate decision-making, leadership, teamwork, trust, creative thinking and following directions.

- **10-200 participants**
- **Minimum of 10 participants**
- **Cost is \$15 plus tax per participant**

Field Trip Guidelines

- Program fees vary based on program desired, amount of materials needed, length of program and number of participants.
- A deposit of half the total amount is required for all group activities.
- A minimum of 10 participants is required.
- A cancellation notice of at least 7 days in advance is required. If a cancellation occurs within 7 days, deposit will be forfeited. Program substitutions can be made due to bad weather.
- Please plan to arrive at least 30 minutes prior to the scheduled program start time.
- In order to maintain a safe and educational environment, it is up to the teachers, chaperones and adults associated with the group to monitor and maintain the order of the group throughout the duration of the program.
- Please let us know about any special needs your group may have. We will do our best to accommodate all of your participants. Please let us know about any special needs (medical conditions, allergies, behavioral concerns, communication barriers, etc.) ahead of arrival.