



Family Field Trip Series



Seine the Bay

Thursday, March 25, 2021

Location: Tampa Bay Watch Marine Education Center, Tierra Verde, FL

Date: Thursday, March 25, 2021

Time: 4:30-6 PM

Cost: \$20 per person

Capacity: 20

Age Restrictions: Must be five years of age or older; children must be accompanied by an adult.

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What to Expect

Journey into the estuary's shallow seagrass beds, wading through and exploring the nearshore habitats. Educators will pull a specially designed net used for scientific purposes to collect invertebrate and juvenile fish species. During the seining portion, participants will help collect specimens from the seine net. Participants will also be equipped with dip nets. Specimens collected will be observed in the Tampa Bay Watch wet lab before their release back into the estuary.

This activity is not a swimming activity, but does require wading into the estuary from the property shoreline. Participants will get wet! Water depth will be anywhere from 1-3.5ft. Participants should be comfortable in the water and estuarine conditions including saltwater, mud, seagrass, and wildlife. Upon arrival, all participants must sign a liability waiver before entering the water.

Proper Apparel

Participants are required to wear close-toed, close-heeled shoes that fit snugly to the foot and clothing that is comfortable to wear in the water. Appropriate footwear is required for the duration of the activity and while on property. If a participant misplaces, loses, or otherwise is without a shoe in the water, he/she will not be able to continue with the activity and must immediately exit the water to avoid injury. Time and space will be provided after the end of the program to change into dry clothing.

Limitations and Cancellations

This program is weather dependent. Tampa Bay Watch reserves the right to cancel any eco-tour due to inclement weather or water conditions, including but not limited to swift current, severe winds, or persistent rain and thunderstorms. Furthermore, in an effort to maintain safe operations, Tampa Bay Watch also reserves the right to modify or discontinue programs due to safety concerns regarding COVID-19.

Cancellations will be made two hours prior to departure, at the latest, via email. In the unlikely event of a cancellation, a full refund will be issued. If you need to cancel your registration, we request a five business day notice prior to the scheduled event date in order to receive a full refund.

Tampa Bay Watch is committed to providing a safe and healthy environment for our volunteers, visitors, and staff. In compliance with CDC guidelines, Tampa Bay Watch has implemented a COVID-19 Preparedness Plan in response to the pandemic. Our goal is to reduce the potential for transmission of COVID-19, requiring full cooperation of all visitors and program participants. Participants will be expected to social distance and wear a face covering/mask while on property and in the estuary.