Day Hiking

Brazos Bend State Park, TX April 15

Registration closes April 13 at 12pm.

Trip Leaders: Audrey M, Sophia F, & Natalie P



Saturday, April 15

10:00AM Depart from Rice

Lunch and Hiking

4:00PM Depart for campus

5:30PM Gear check-in and clean up

Brazos Bend State Park is teeming with wildlife! The landscape is flat, so this is an easy going nature hike. Enjoy taking a walk and seeing the wildlife! Trip registration covers lunch, transportation, and associated recreation fees. This trip is open to participants of all skill levels.

Here's an excerpt from the park's website detailing the wildlife present:

"The Horseshoe Lake area trails are more forested with less wetland habitat. The Brazos River is best viewed from the Red Buckeye Trail. Birdwatching is excellent throughout the park. Bring your binoculars. 40 Acre, Pilant and Elm lakes are the best areas to view wading birds and waterfowl, with a mix of songbirds and sparrows. Raptors can be viewed anywhere. Hale Lake area is more suitable for forest and songbirds. The Prairie Trails are good for sparrows and other upland birds. Wildflowers can be found throughout the park and are very diverse according to habitat but the best variety can be found on the prairies."

Gear Guide for Warm Weather

Day Hiking Trips

Please dress & pack appropriately for this trip. Review the guide below to support a comfortable and successful backpacking trip!

All the gear listed as provided is included in your trip registration. Rental agreements and gear issue will take place during your pre-trip meeting.

Equipment ROPE provides:	Necessary Personal clothing
✓ Meals on Trail	☐ Supportive footwear for hike (no flip-flops or fashion sandals)
	☐ Backpack
	☐ Two 1-liter water bottles (e.g. Nalgene)
	☐ Rain Jacket
	☐ Athletic shirt
	☐ Athletic shorts or long pants
	☐ Long sleeve shirt (sun protection)
	☐ Sun hat
	☐ Medications (for allergies, etc.) You Must inform us if you take any medications.
	☐ Money for meals on the road (if applicable)
Optional yet recommended Sunglasses (strongly recommended) Camera Change of clothes for travel	
☐ Bandana(s)	
☐ Journal & Pen☐ Cards/Game	
☐ Water reservoir (Camelbak) ○ One-liter back-up bottle required.	

It is not necessary for you to purchase a lot of expensive equipment; many items listed above you may already own. Items that you choose to purchase may be available at low cost from mail order suppliers or your local outdoor specialty shop. Our major concern is that all participants have appropriate equipment for a safe and comfortable experience.

If you are unsure whether an item or clothing you own is appropriate for this trip, please contact us prior to the trip or bring the item/clothing to the pre-trip meeting.

Please leave jewelry and other non-essentials at home.

These requirements are for the safety and comfort of participants. ROPE reserves the right to refuse involvement in the program to anyone not properly equipped.

Register for the Trip!