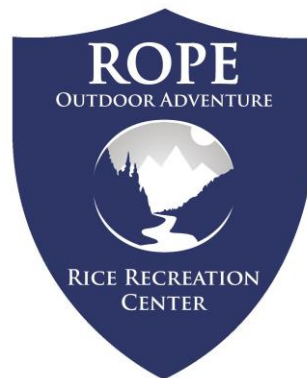


Canoe Camping

Village Creek, Big Thicket National Preserve



Schedule

Saturday October 18 2021

7:00 AM Meet at Rec Center

Continental breakfast provided by ROPE

7:30 AM Departing Rice

9:30 AM Drop Shuttle & Arrive at put-in

10:30 AM Put-in

PM Camp along Village Creek

Sunday October 19

8:00 AM Breakfast and departure

12:00 PM ETA at Take out

3:00 PM ETA at Rice

4:00 PM Cleaning and Done!

Join ROPE as we head out to the biologically diverse Big Thicket National Preserve for 10.5 mile overnight paddle. The Big Thicket area is known as the biological crossroads of North America since more species of plants and animals occur in this area than any similar sized area of North America. Wandering through cedar, pine, sloughs, and bayous, we'll keep our senses primed for all sorts of new sights, sounds, and smells. Saturday night we will backcountry camp on sandbars and enjoy our escape from the city. This trip is open to participants of all skill levels. Trip registration includes transportation, trail fees, trail equipment, and associated recreational fees.

Gear List for Overnight Camping and Canoeing

Please dress & pack appropriately for this trip. Make sure to bring everything listed below to ensure a comfortable and successful backpacking trip!

All gear that is listed as provided must still be rented out by each participant at the pre-trip meeting or some other time arranged with the trip leaders. There is no fee for this rental.

Trip Gear We Provide

- ✓ Sleeping bag
- ✓ Sleeping pad
- ✓ Personal Utensils & Dishes
- ✓ Headlamp
- ✓ Whistle
- ✓ Dry Bag
- ✓ Shelters
- ✓ Meals on Trail

Optional yet recommended

- Camera
- Journal & Pen
- Deck of cards
- Favorite snack food
- Bandana(s)
- Sunglasses

Necessary Personal Items

- Water Shoes or Sandals (no flip slops/slides)
- 1 pair of shoes for camp
- 2 bottles for water (storage for 2 liters)
- Medications (for allergies, stings, etc.) **You must inform us if you take medication.**
- 2 synthetic T-shirts
- 1 long sleeve synthetic shirt
- 1 lightweight pants (zip-off preferable; NO jeans)
- 1 pair of synthetic shorts
- 1 hooded rain jacket
- 1 warm insulating fleece/jacket
- 1-2 pairs of socks (synthetic or wool)
- 2-3 pairs of underwear
- Swimwear or synthetic clothing for the water
- Small Towel
- Warm hat
- Baseball cap/Sun hat

Alcohol, tobacco, and recreational drugs will *not* be tolerated on any trips led by ROPE. If you have such items, do *not* bring them!

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.