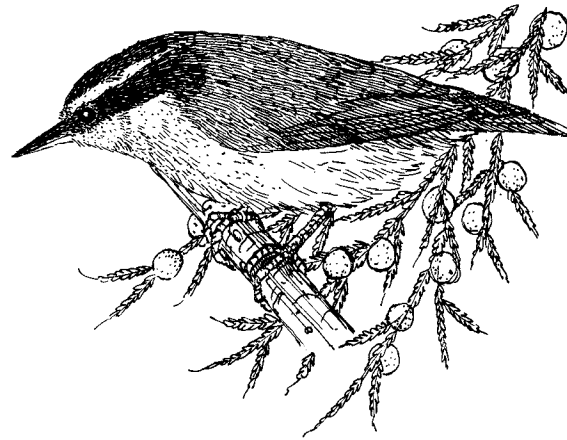


# Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary

Massachusetts Audubon Society  
Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary  
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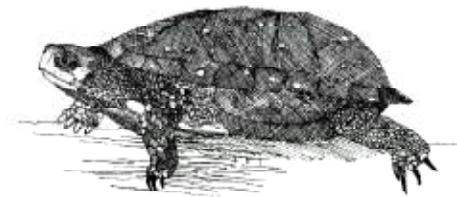
## Scout Programs



## Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary

Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary is cooperatively managed by the Mass Audubon and the Massachusetts Department of Conservation and Recreation. The sanctuary encompasses 245 acres of forest, field, and wetland habitats each offering exciting opportunities for nature exploration. The 2 miles of trails on the sanctuary include a scenic boardwalk across a pond and marsh and a trail for the visually impaired. Indoors, the visitor center contains displays on various natural history topics, program space, and a gift shop with nature oriented items.

Educational programming on site takes advantage of the unique features of this varied landscape. Stony Brook's staff is well versed in ecological and educational concepts and strives to provide only the highest quality programs stressing hands-on, experiential learning.



## Mass Audubon

Mass Audubon works to protect the nature of Massachusetts for people and wildlife. Together with more than 100,000 members, we care for 33,000 acres of conservation land, provide educational programs for 200,000 children and adults annually, and advocate for sound environmental policies at local, state, and federal levels. Mass Audubon's mission and actions have expanded since our beginning in 1896 when our founders set out to stop the slaughter of birds for use on women's fashions. Today we are the largest conservation organization in New England. Our statewide network of 45 wildlife sanctuaries welcomes visitors of all ages and serves as the base for our conservation, education, and advocacy work. To support these important efforts, call 800-AUDUBON (283-8266) or visit [www.massaudubon.org](http://www.massaudubon.org).

## Scout Programs

The programs offered at Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary allow scouts to work together to gain an appreciation for the natural world. The education staff at Stony Brook will design and conduct a program to meet the needs of your individual troop/den. Scout programs focus on the badge requirements which Stony Brook is best suited to teach. Due to time constraints, we may not cover all of the badge requirements. Stony Brook is also willing to develop different programs for additional badges with sufficient notice. Listed below are brief descriptions of the scout programs which we currently offer.

## Girl Scout Programs

### Daisies

*From Seed to Flower:* Learn about seeds inside and out. Discover how they grow into plants. Participate in a seed match up, find out which fruit has the most seeds and search for seeds along Stony Brook's trails.

*Marsh Mysteries:* Discover the mysteries of the marsh, swamps and ponds. Use your observation skills to discover frogs and turtles hiding among the lily pads. Learn about the wildlife, both plant and animal, that makes up Stony Brook's wetlands.

*Using Resources Wisely:* What is a resource? Discover where some of our everyday objects come from and how the "3 R's" help us use them wisely. Play the "Trashless Lunch Game" and make a Blooming necklace.

### Brownies

*Plant Try-It:* Learn about the importance of plants. Participate in an air ballet, seed search and food chain game to learn about the wonders of plants.

*Senses Try-It:* Take a sensory hike to discover some of nature's mysteries. Compare your senses to those of other animals.

## Brownies continued

*Animal Try-It:* Tour the sanctuary looking for and learning about the native animals which inhabit Stony Brook's various habitats. Find out who eats whom in an exciting food chain game.

*Watching Wildlife Try-It:* Improve your observation skills as we focus on watching the animals found at the sanctuary. Learn how they build their homes, communicate and get ready for the seasons.

*Water Everywhere Try-It:* Discover the importance of water and all that rely on it. We will visit our wetland habitats and find out who lives there, as well as do some experiments inside to learn about this precious resource.

*Eco-Explorer:* Explore the sanctuary, looking for both living and nonliving components of its ecosystem. Learn about the different habitats at Stony Brook and the wildlife that live here.



## Juniors

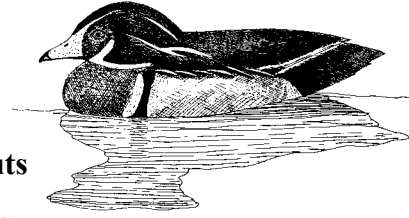
*Wildlife Badge:* Learn about the various habitats at Stony Brook, become aware of both poisonous and endangered plants and animals in Massachusetts. Identify 5 species of birds as we walk the trails.

*Earth Connections Badge:* Explore Stony Brook as you learn about plant and animal relationships, human effects on the natural environment, and how to identify 10 species of trees.

*Plants & Animals:* Explore some of the roles plants and animals play in your everyday life. Go on the Stony Brook wildlife safari and search the sanctuary for "aliens."

*Your Outdoor Surroundings Badge:* Get outside and explore the sanctuary's trails. Learn what a naturalist does and how to pack a survival bag.

*Water Wonders:* Learn about a local water ecosystem and how the plants and organisms interact. Find out where your water comes from and become a raindrop and travel through the water cycle.



## Boy Scouts

### Bear Cub Scouts

*Sharing Your World with Wildlife:* Through games and other activities, learn about the animals that call Stony Brook home. Also learn their requirements for survival as well as factors that can lead to extinction.

### Webelos Scouts

*Naturalist Badge:* Tour the sanctuary observing and learning the native animals which inhabit Stony Brook's various habitats. Become aware of poisonous plants and animals in Massachusetts and play a game about bird migration.

*Forestry Badge:* Become a tree to learn about tree parts and how they grow. Explore the grounds and learn to identify 6 species of trees as well as 6 forest plants that are useful to wildlife.

**\* Other badges not listed done by request**

## Large Group Programs

### Scout Night Hikes

Each fall and spring, Stony Brook conducts a night program for scouts of all ages. Explore the trails at night and play games as our eyes get used to the dark. We'll learn how our eyes and the eyes of other animals such as owls and raccoons adjust to the dark. Stony Brook can also schedule private night hikes for just your pack or council. Call Stony Brook for further information and dates.

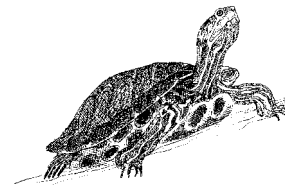
## To Schedule a Program

Programs can be scheduled throughout the year. During the school year, programs can be scheduled Monday through Friday from 3:30-5:00p.m. or Saturdays from 12:00p.m.-1:30p.m. Programs must be booked at least two weeks in advance and are subject to availability. Large group programs such as Discovery Days and Night Hikes must be booked at least three weeks in advance and are subject to availability. Programs may be rescheduled due to severe or inclement weather.

## Program Fees

**Try-Its & Badge Programs** \$6.00/child  
There is a minimum of \$30.00 per program. All children, who participate, will be charged. Two chaperones per troop may attend free of charge. A nonrefundable deposit of \$18.00 is to be made within a week of scheduling the program.

**Large Group Programs** \$6.00/person  
All parents and children who participate will be charged. Two chaperones per troop may attend free of charge. A nonrefundable deposit of \$50.00 is to be made within two weeks of scheduling the program. A final count of participants is due two weeks before the date of your program.



## To Schedule a Scout Visit

Please contact Stony Brook's Education Coordinator at the following address and phone number.

Stony Brook Wildlife Sanctuary  
108 North Street • Norfolk, MA 02056  
(508) 528-3140 Ext. 122  
stonybrook@massaudubon.org

Refund Policy: We will issue a refund if you notify us of your cancellation at least one week before the program is scheduled.

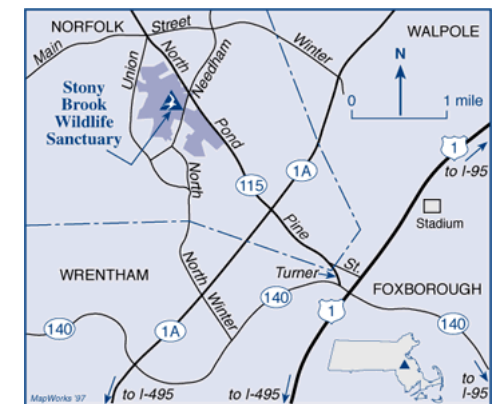
Things to Remember...

- Chaperones are responsible for the safety and discipline of scouts.

- Chaperones are expected to participate fully in all activities

- Please respect the sanctuary's habitat by refraining from collecting plants or animals.

## Directions to Stony Brook



From 495: Take Exit #15 (Rt. 1A North). Follow 1A North for 4 miles to Rt. 115. Turn left on 115N and go 1.5 miles. Take the 3rd left on to North Street. The sanctuary is 100 yards up on the right.

From 95S: Take exit #9 (Rt. 1S). After Gillette stadium, take a right on Pine St. At the stop sign take a right on to Rt. 115N. Cross Rt. 1A and take the 3rd left at North Street. The sanctuary is 100 yards up on the right.

From 95N: Take Exit 7 (Rt. 140N) Follow to Rt. 115N. Cross Rt. 1A and take the 3rd left at North Street. The sanctuary is 100 yards up on the right.