

Oregon Coast Aquarium Edible Ocean Family Camp Out

Additional Information and Supply List for July 12-13, 2013

Thank you for your interest in our brand new overnight family camp! This document will give you a general overview of what to expect, what supplies you will need, and what the Aquarium is providing.

General timeline

11:30 am: Meet at the Aquarium and check in.

Afternoon activities at the Aquarium:

- Clamming and crabbing information with Oregon Dept of Fish and Wildlife
- Tasting edible seaweeds!
- Watch the sharks get fed from our special Super Secret Shark Room. We may even get a chance to help feed them!
- Snack time – participants should bring their own snacks
- Behind the scenes tour of the Aquarium focusing on what our animals eat and how we care for them
- Edible plants walk- What native plants can be a natural snack?

Late afternoon/evening activities at Beverly Beach State Park:

- Caravan to Beverly Beach State Park
- Camp set up and free time
- Camping tips and campfire cooking demonstration – Aquarium will provide dinner*
- Optional beach walk – agate/fossil hunt, wrack line exploration
- Evening campground presentation
- Optional night nature hike

Saturday morning activities:

- 8:15 – light breakfast provided by the Aquarium*
- Edible tidepool exploration (please note, we will NOT be collecting as we will be exploring in a marine sanctuary)
- Pack up and thanks for coming! All participants will get a hand stamp for Aquarium admission for the day.

NOTES ABOUT FOOD

- Campers will need to provide their own snacks – there will be an afternoon snack time on Friday. Please note: there is no refrigerator or microwave available for snack time.
- Dinner: The Aquarium will provide dinner as part of the campfire cooking demonstration. There will be two options (you can watch both demos, but you will need to choose which one you want to eat at registration so we know how much food to provide.)
- **Dinner option one:** Foil packet dinner – don't like dishes? Create a feast with foil! Using ground beef and veggies, we'll create our own foil packets and steam it to perfection.
- **Dinner option two:** Easy campfire kabobs – we'll show you the secret to delicious and easy beef and vegetable kabobs to cook over the fire.
- **Vegetarian options will be available** – please let us know of any food allergies when registering.

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- **No camping trip is complete without s'mores!** The Aquarium will provide s'mores supplies and tips on perfecting that toasted marshmallow.
- **Participants will be asked to provide their own beverages.** As this is a family campout, no alcohol will be allowed.
- **Breakfast:** The Aquarium will provide a light breakfast. Remember; we're camping, so it will be quick and easy! Participants are welcome to bring supplemental breakfast items, however, all participants need to be ready to leave for the tidepools at 8:45. Breakfast will include oatmeal packets, fruit, muffins or similar, coffee, tea, and hot chocolate.

GETTING THERE

Carpooling is encouraged as parking at Beverly Beach State Park is limited. All participants will meet at the Aquarium to check in. The Aquari-van will be available to help carry gear if participants wish to carpool from the Aquarium. Vehicles can be safely left in our secure parking lot overnight at the Aquarium.

SUPPLIES

The Aquarium will NOT be providing camping supplies. The following is a suggested list:

- Water bottles
- Beverages/water for dinner
- Snacks
- Additional breakfast items if desired
- Tent
- Sleeping bag
- Sleeping mat or air mattress
- Pillow
- Rubber boots *highly recommended for beach walks and tide pooling*
- Jackets/sweatshirts – layer your clothing – it will get cold at night and is often windy on the beach
- Change of clothes
- Warm pajamas
- Sturdy shoes for hikes and walking around the Aquarium.
- Camp chairs – there will also be several picnic tables at the campsite
- FLASHLIGHT
- Sunscreen – we will be outside a lot
- Bug spray
- Toiletries
- Camera!

WHAT NOT TO BRING

- Music players and other electronics – we're camping! Time to unplug!
- Alcohol, tobacco, or illegal drugs
- Weapons (pocket knives are OK)
- Laser pointers
- Fireworks
- The Aquarium WILL be providing dishes, silverware, cups, etc. for dinner and breakfast so no need to bring your own.