



NYC Parks



City of New York  
Parks & Recreation  
Urban Park Rangers

Custom Adventure Reservation Form

**Please read the following carefully before making your final selection as Custom Adventure Instructions are different from previous years.**

Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### **TYPE OF PROGRAM:**

**Custom Adventure** (A maximum of 32 youth participants are allowed on each program. Please note that some activities have age and location restrictions. A minimum ratio of 1 chaperone to 10 youth participants must be maintained by the group.) Programs starting before noon will have a 60 minute break between activities.

**Overnight Camping Adventure** (A maximum of 30 youth participants and 10 adult chaperones are allowed on each program.)

### **PROGRAM DETAILS:**

Requested Date(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Requested Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Requested Park: \_\_\_\_\_

☐ **Bronx**    ☐ **Brooklyn**    ☐ **Manhattan**    ☐ **Queens**    ☐ **Staten Island**

### **PARTICIPANTS:**

Number of Participants: 4-7 years: \_\_\_\_\_ 8-12 years: \_\_\_\_\_ 13 – 18 years: \_\_\_\_\_ Chaperones: \_\_\_\_\_

18-24 years: \_\_\_\_\_ Adult/Staff Development: \_\_\_\_\_

Please list any special needs your group has: \_\_\_\_\_

### **GROUP OBJECTIVES:**

☐ **Teambuilding**    ☐ **Leadership**    ☐ **Communication**    ☐ **Trust Building**  
☐ **Community Building**    ☐ **Problem Solving**

☐ **Other** \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this form, I understand the following: **1) A non-refundable 50% deposit must be paid within ten business days of the receipt of the confirmation form. Programs are not confirmed until deposit is made.** Final payment must be received 14 days prior to the program. We accept checks, money orders, credit cards, and purchase orders; **2) I am committing my group or organization to participate in a Custom Adventure as outlined above;** **3) To reserve my preferred date a signed copy of this reservation form must be received by Custom Adventure staff. Failure to comply with this may result in the cancellation of my program;** **4) My program is not confirmed until I have received a separate confirmation form;** **5) Urban Park Rangers (UPR) reserve the right to cancel programs due to inclement weather or other environmental factors. Programs cancelled by UPR will be rescheduled for the earliest available date.**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_



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## CUSTOM ADVENTURE

All equipment is provided. **An aquatics director is not provided.** See descriptions below.

**Ages 8 and up** Choose one program from Group A and one program from Group B or two from Group B

### GROUP A

☐ **SEINING**

- Orchard Beach, Bronx
- Marine Park, Brooklyn
- Central Park, Manhattan
- Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan
- Fort Totten, Queens
- Conference House Park, Staten Island

☐ **CANOEING**

- Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx
- Marine Park, Brooklyn
- Prospect Park, Brooklyn
- Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan
- Central Park, Manhattan
- Crocheron Park, Queens
- Bayswater Park, Queens
- Kissena Park, Queens
- Willowbrook Park, Staten Island

☐ **ARCHERY**

- Willowbrook Park, Staten Island

**\*\* Safe Magentic Archery is available at many locations citywide\*\***

☐ **FISHING**

- Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx
- Owls Head Park, Brooklyn
- Prospect Park, Brooklyn
- Central Park, Manhattan
- Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan
- Baisley Pond Park, Queens
- Kissena Park, Queens
- Willowbrook Park, Staten Island

### GROUP B

☐ **ANIMAL ADVENTURE**

☐ **NATURE EXPLORATION**

☐ **PORTABLE ADVENTURE**

☐ **WILDERNESS SKILLS**

☐ **ORIENTEERING**

**All Group B activities can take place in the parks listed in Group A.**

**Ages 4 –8 years** Choose any two (2). Unless otherwise noted, programs can take place in the following parks:

- |                             |                               |                                        |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------------|
| - Van Cortlandt Park, Bronx | - Central Park, Manhattan     | - Willowbrook Park, Staten Island      |
| - Pelham Bay Park, Bronx    | - Inwood Hill Park, Manhattan | - Blue Heron Park, Staten Island       |
| - Crotona Park, Bronx       | - Forest Park, Queens         | - Wolfe's Pond Park, Staten Island     |
| - Prospect Park, Brooklyn   | - Alley Pond Park, Queens     | - Conference House Park, Staten Island |
| - Marine Park, Brooklyn     | - Ft. Totten Park, Queens     |                                        |

☐ **INTO THE WILD**

☐ **WATER WONDERS**

☐ **FIND MY WAY**

☐ **WHO LIVES HERE**

## OVERNIGHT CAMPING ADVENTURE

An exciting way to spend the night! Participants will pitch a tent, explore the night life of the park then sleep under the stars. Up to 30 participants and 10 chaperones. A minimum ratio of 10 youth to 1 chaperone must be abided by. Program starts at 6:00pm and ends at 7:00am. Tents are provided. Food is not provided. Participants must provide their own sleeping bags / blankets, flashlight, snacks, water bottle and insect repellent. Ages 4 and up. Locations vary. Call for availability.



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## What are Custom Adventures?

Custom Adventures are a unique opportunity for youth and camp groups to experience outdoor recreation in a safe, fun-filled environment with the Urban Park Rangers. Programs are a full day and consist of two activities chosen by the group.

**Prices:** \$250 for a Custom Adventure for up to 30 youth.

\$750 for a Custom Adventure for up to 30 participants ages 18-24.

\$1,000 for a Custom Adventure for up to 30 Adult/Staff Development group participants.

\$500 for an Overnight Adventure for up to 30 youth participants and 10 chaperones.

\$1,500 for an Overnight Adventure for up to 30 participants ages 18-24.

\$2,000 for an Overnight Adventure for up to 30 Adult/Staff Development group participants.

**Location:** Custom and Overnight Adventures are offered in all 5 boroughs in New York City. Some activities can only take place in specific parks. We work with you to choose the park that best suits your travel and other requirements and will provide the highest quality experience!

## Descriptions:

**Canoeing:** Immerse your participants in a swashbuckling water adventure through NYC's best water bodies. The group is given instructions on how to safely operate the canoe before exploring the water wonders of NYC Parks. Participants must fit securely into a personal floatation device.

**Seining:** Water comes to life when participants don waders and nets to explore the aquatic underworld. Fish, crabs and jellyfish are only a few of the creatures participants may discover.

**Fishing:** Participants are taught all about the amazing adaptations and anatomy of fish before being briefed on safety procedures for fishing. Each is given a fishing pole and bait and is instructed on the basics of fishing.

**Archery:** Do your campers have what it takes to hit the mark? Give them a shot at hitting the target. Participants are taught how to use a bow and arrow including safety procedures, how to hold the bow, knock an arrow, aim, and shoot.

**Nature Exploration:** Take a walk on the wild side! Participants explore NYC Parks searching for insects, snakes, trees, flowers, rocks, birds, and more on their quest to discover hidden wonders.

**Orienteering:** Participants will learn how to use a compass and read a map to find their way through the wilderness. No Smartphone needed!

**Wilderness Skills:** Participants will be introduced to outdoor survival theory and demonstrate basic outdoor skills. This program covers planned (camping), and unplanned (being lost) survival situations.

**Portable Adventure:** Participants take part in team dynamics through a series of icebreakers, teambuilding initiatives and problem solving activities. It encourages participants to explore effective problem solving skills beyond what they would typically consider.



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**Animal Adventures:** This program is designed to engage younger participants' curiosity in animals of the park. Participants will explore the wonders of the animal world as they use nets to collect insects, roll over logs and explore natural ecosystems.

**Into the Wild:** This program will give younger children an amazing experience exploring the park. Participants will discover the wonders of the natural world while gaining an appreciation for the plants and animals that surround them. Ages 4-7.

**Who Lives Here:** Animals need homes too! Participants will be amazed to discover the wide variety of natural homes that animals make. See if you can spot one! Ages 4-7.

**Find My Way:** Look at the parks in a new light! Participants will use a basic map to find their way through the park using simple observation skills. Ages 4-7.

**Water Wonders:** Get up close and personal with fish, crabs and jellyfish in this unique experience. Participants will use nets to catch and observe a plethora of native creatures. Ages 4-7.

**To submit your completed reservation form, send it to the borough where you would like the program to take place.**

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