



# TWIN FALLS RESORT STATE PARK

## Nature Based Programs

November 25<sup>th</sup> – December 9<sup>th</sup> 2024

Be sure to visit the newly constructed Nature Center!

There you will find the Park Naturalist year-round providing interpretive, educational, and recreational programs on a variety of native wildlife, park history, and other exciting topics. All programs will be held inside the Nature Center unless otherwise specified.

### Friday, November 29<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

Closed

### Saturday, November 30<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

1:00pm – 6:00pm

### Monday, November 25<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

Closed

### Tuesday, November 26<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

11:00am – 1:00pm

### Wednesday, November 27<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

11:00am – 4:00pm

### Thursday, November 28<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

Closed THANKSGIVING!

**11:30am- Twin Falls Trail Hike** Meet at the Falls Trail parking lot for this hike. Join our Park Naturalist for an interpretive guided hike to the Twin Falls namesakes. Explore and learn the history of twin falls while taking in the wonderful view of the falls in Autumn.

**1:30pm- West Virginia Snakes** Meet at the Nature Center where we will talk about our slithery reptiles and discuss why they may get a bad reputation. In this program we will discuss how to determine venomous from a non-venomous snake, how to avoid a negative encounter, what to do if you are bitten by a snake and so much more. You will also get to meet our resident snakes: Willow, Whiskey, Viper, and Coal

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**3:30pm- Forest Faces** Come to the nature center to gather materials to decorate and sculpt a face or character for a tree at home.

### Sunday, December 1<sup>st</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

**1:00pm – 6:00pm**

**1:00pm- Leaves & Seeds** Come to the Nature Center to acquire the knowledge of leaves and the seeds that match with this game! Try your luck and see how many matches you can make.

**3:00pm- Turkey TALK** Join us in the Nature Center as we talk about the largest ground feeding bird in North America. Do you know what their daily routine is? Do you know where their habitat is? Do you know what they eat? These are some topics we will go over. Short craft to follow

**4:30pm- Leaf Art** Lets make leaf art by walking around finding leaves to make your own leaf collage! What will you make? A turkey, a flower or maybe a self-portrait. Meet at the nature center for this craft

### Monday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

**1:00pm – 5:00pm**

**1:00pm- Tree-meandous TREES!** Come to the Nature center to learn all about these giants that call

West Virginia home and the threats they may face.

This program will be followed by a craft.

**2:30pm- Turtle TALK** Meet at the Nature Center to learn about the eastern box turtle. Where are they found? What do they eat? Are they Ectothermic?

These are some of the questions that we will go over.

There will be a coloring sheet available for this program.

### Tuesday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

**11:00am – 1:00pm**

### Wednesday, December 4<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

**11:00am – 4:00pm**

### Thursday, December 5<sup>th</sup>

#### Nature Center Hours

**11:00am – 4:00pm**

**12:00am- Nature Journals** Meet at the nature center for this craft to discover the amazing benefits of nature journaling.

**2:00pm- Opossum TALK** Join us in the Nature Center as we discuss North America's only marsupial, the opossum. Have you ever wondered why they have thumbs or why they have no hair on their tails? These questions and more will be

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answered during the program. A coloring sheet will be available for this program.

### **Friday, December 6<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Nature Center Hours**

**12:00pm – 5:00pm**

#### **National Coal Miners Day**

**1:00pm- Black Gold** Come to the Nature Center as we talk about Coal Mining in West Virginia and around our park. How did this industry become a major part of our state's history?

**3:00pm- Pelts and Tracks** Meet in the Nature Center as we talk about different animals and animal tracks you may encounter at the park.

**5:00pm- “Coffee Spell”** Join us in the Lodge Lobby as we partake in a cherished tradition for small farming and mining communities by putting a pause on our day to enjoy a cup of coffee accompanied by some snacks and conversation.

### **Saturday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Nature Center Hours**

**12:00pm – 6:00pm**

**1:00pm- Tree Cookie Craft** Come to the Nature Center to learn about the towering giants around us and how to properly farm and use wood. After a short

program we will decorate tree cookies with materials found in nature and at home!

**3:00pm- Black Bear TALK** Come to the Nature Center where we will be discussing this species. What are they doing to prepare for winter? Do all bears hibernate? These questions and more will be answered as we cover a variety of topics to promote understanding and coexistence with this species.

**5:00pm- Map Your Adventure** Meet at the Nature center to learn about the fundamentals of map reading. Collect your own map making materials and head out on an adventure around the lodge mapping your path and special or intriguing locations you find along the way to create a unique map of your journey around the lodge.

### **December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>**

#### **Nature Center Hours**

**Closed Monday and Sunday**

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