



WHAT IS PLATTE RIVER SAFARI?

PLATTE RIVER SAFARI is a nature day camp that gets children out on the land -- and in the water -- to discover the great diversity of life that exists beyond their own backyards. Using some of our best local naturalists and educators, **PLATTE RIVER SAFARI** explores birds, mammals, fish, insects, reptiles, stream-life, prairies, wetlands, natural history, art, music, and much more. And, best of all it's fun!

WHEN & WHERE IS PLATTE RIVER SAFARI?

We offer 2 **PLATTE RIVER SAFARI** camps that run Monday through Thursday. Both are held at the Iain Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary with different bussing options to help get your child to camp.

***June 19-22, 2017**

***June 26-29, 2017**

*****Free bussing from Minden, Kearney and Gibbon both weeks*****

Call Tess at 308-216-0636 with any questions.

WHO CAN COME TO PLATTE RIVER SAFARI?

PLATTE RIVER SAFARI is for students currently in 2nd-5th grade. Students will be grouped by age into peer groups (about 5 students). Registration is limited to 75 students each week.

"Flying Higher" for students in 6th-8th grade will be offered June 13-14 at Rowe Sanctuary. Contact Audubon's Rowe Sanctuary for more information at 308-468-5282.

WHY COME TO PLATTE RIVER SAFARI?

Because it's a blast!!! We do fun hands-on activities like seining and dip netting in the river, aerial netting for insects, hiking, bird-watching, playing games — all to help us explore nature and learn more about where we live. We get wet, sandy, and even muddy! **PLATTE RIVER SAFARI** is also a great place to make new friends. Our sites and schedule change every year so campers always look forward to something new.

HOW MUCH DOES IT COST?

Registration is \$125 and includes a t-shirt. Discounts are given for additional siblings or financial need (see registration form). Campers need to bring a sack lunch and drink on Monday and Tuesday. Snacks are provided each day.

Refunds are as follows: \$80 at 3 weeks or more before camp, \$50 at 1-3 weeks before camp, and \$0 at 1 week before camp.

AFTER YOU REGISTER...

You will receive an email postcard confirming your registration. In May you will receive a packet containing:

- *list of what to bring to camp
- *camp & bus schedule
- *map
- *emergency contact information
- *health & wellness form
- *medical, liability, & image-use form

WEEKLY FIELD TRIP SCHEDULE AND SITES

Campers meet at the Iain Nicolson Audubon Center at Rowe Sanctuary and then spend their morning sessions exploring nature at different sites along the Platte River. Afternoon sessions are held back at the center. Sessions consist of 3 or 4 rotations; several of these include guest presenters who are experts in various disciplines, e.g. birds, fish, amphibians, bugs, plants, water, art, living history, storytelling, etc. **On Wednesday evening, campers present a program for their families. After the program, campers have night sessions and “camp in” at the center.**

Monday: 8:30am to 3:30pm
*am field sessions
*pm lab sessions at Rowe

Tuesday: 8:30am to 3:30pm
*am field sessions
*pm lab sessions at Rowe

Wednesday: 7:00pm...
Iain Nicolson Audubon Center
***Family Night Program**
***Night Sessions**
***Camp-In at Center**

Thursday: ...11:30 am
Platte River at Rowe
*River Fun Day



BUS SCHEDULE

We offer several options to help get your camper to Rowe.

June 19-22 & June 26-29

*We will run buses both weeks:
From Minden to Rowe and back
From Kearney to Rowe and back
From Gibbon to Rowe and back

**Bus times and pick-up sites will be included in the May information packet.

**If you are coming from a different community, please let us know if you would be interested in carpooling with others from your area.

THE STAFF

Tess Bruner, Coordinator, Shelton
Jenny Hultquist, Heartwell
Robin Hollinger, Teacher, Minden
Heidi LaClair, NE Master Naturalist
Beka Yates, Education Manager,
Rowe Sanctuary
Lisa Clapper, Teacher, Minden
Nicole Salisbury, Tri-Basin NRD

In addition to the **PLATTE RIVER SAFARI** staff, several adult supervisors and 14 peer leaders (high school and college students) assist each week. Visiting specialists in various disciplines add their expertise on some of the days.

QUESTIONS?

Contact:
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PLATTE RIVER SAFARI 2017 REGISTRATION FORM	<i>Questions? Call Tess at 308-216-0636</i>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>REGISTRATION FEES</u> (choose #1 or #2)</p> <p>#1. No Financial Need:</p> <p>* \$125/camper \$ _____</p> <p>* \$100/additional sibling \$ _____</p> <p>* \$100/additional sibling \$ _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____</p> <p>#2. Financial Need:</p> <p><i>(must include proof with registration: school letter stating acceptance into free/reduced lunch program, copy of current Kids Connection/NE Medicaid card, or verification of foster care)</i></p> <p>* \$75/camper \$ _____</p> <p>* \$75/additional sibling \$ _____</p> <p>* \$75/additional sibling \$ _____</p> <p style="text-align: right;">TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ _____</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Check <u>current</u> '16-'17 grade:</p> <p>Camper Name: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd <input type="checkbox"/> 4th <input type="checkbox"/> 5th <input type="checkbox"/> male <input type="checkbox"/> female</p> <p>A t-shirt is included.</p> <p>Mark shirt size Youth: <input type="checkbox"/> Medium (10-12) <input type="checkbox"/> Large (14-16)</p> <p style="padding-left: 150px;">Adult: <input type="checkbox"/> Small <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> Large <input type="checkbox"/> XL</p> <p>Additional siblings attending camp (living at same address):</p> <p>Camper Name: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd <input type="checkbox"/> 4th <input type="checkbox"/> 5th <input type="checkbox"/> male <input type="checkbox"/> female</p> <p>Mark shirt size Youth: <input type="checkbox"/> Medium (10-12) <input type="checkbox"/> Large (14-16) <input type="checkbox"/> female</p> <p style="padding-left: 150px;">Adult: <input type="checkbox"/> Small <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> Large <input type="checkbox"/> XL</p> <p>Camper Name: _____ <input type="checkbox"/> 2nd <input type="checkbox"/> 3rd <input type="checkbox"/> 4th <input type="checkbox"/> 5th <input type="checkbox"/> male <input type="checkbox"/> female</p> <p>Mark shirt size Youth: <input type="checkbox"/> Medium (10-12) <input type="checkbox"/> Large (14-16) <input type="checkbox"/> female</p> <p style="padding-left: 150px;">Adult: <input type="checkbox"/> Small <input type="checkbox"/> Medium <input type="checkbox"/> Large <input type="checkbox"/> XL</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><u>CAMP FILLS FAST!</u></p> <p style="text-align: center;"><u>SEND FORM ASAP!</u></p>	<p>Write checks payable to ROWE SANCTUARY</p>
<p>PLATTE RIVER SAFARI Date</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> June 19-22 <input type="checkbox"/> June 26-29</p>		

Parent or Guardian: _____	
Address: _____	Town: _____
State: _____	Zip: _____ E-Mail: _____
Home Phone: _____	Cell Phone: _____

<p>Please list any medical considerations or special needs of any kind (indicate which camper if more than one is attending camp):</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p> <p>_____</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Please check this box if you can help furnish snacks. Thank you! We'll contact you when camp gets closer.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> I am interested in carpooling to and from Rowe and would like to know of others attending from my community.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes, my child wants to attend the Wednesday night camp in.</p>
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