












Assateague Island National Seashore




Maryland District Program Schedule

September 5th - September 11th

Program	Sun 8/5	Mon 8/6	Tue 8/7	Wed 8/8	Thur 8/9	Fri 8/10	Sat 8/11
Aquarium Feeding (45 Minutes)  			11 am		2 pm		11 am
Surf Fishing (2 Hours)		10 am					
Assateague Challenge (45 Minutes)  					11 am		
Bay Discovery (1 Hour) 	2 pm		1 pm				
Happy as a Clammer (30 Minutes) 		2 pm				11 am	
Beautiful Swimmers (Crabbing) (45 Minutes)  		3 pm				12 pm	
Kayak Trip * (2 Hours)	10 am				9 am		10 am
Surf Rescue Demonstrations (45 Minutes) 		10 am			10 am		10 am
Snorkeling * (1.5 Hours)							2 pm
Island by Bike * (1.5 Hours) 						2:30 pm	

 These programs are especially popular with children.

 Wheelchair accessible programs (Beach wheelchairs available at the Ranger Station).

* Advanced reservations required. Register in person at the Visitor Center.

Please turn off cell phones during programs!



...Program Descriptions on the back!

Aquarium Feeding - Take a peek at Assateague's underwater world! Discover amazing marine connections through its aquatic creatures, both big and small. **Meet** at the Barrier Island Visitor Center. **Duration:** 45 minutes.

Surf Fishing - We provide surf rods, bait, casting techniques and instructions to help you learn the basics of surf fishing. Wear clothing and shoes for wading in the surf. **Meet** at the new elevated boardwalk at North Ocean Beach Parking Lot. **Note: Program is for ages 12 and older.** **Duration:** 2 hours.

Assateague Challenge! - Horse around with a ranger to learn more about Assateague Island. Challenge yourself! Impress your friends and family with your knowledge! **Meet** at the New Visitor Center. **Duration:** 45 minutes.

Bay Discovery - Try our dip nets and take a closer look at marine organisms that thrive in the marshes and bay. Try your luck to trap a fish and catch a crab. Plan on getting wet as you wade the shallows. **Appropriate clothing and water footwear (no flip-flops) is a must.** **Meet** at the end of Old Ferry Landing Road. **Duration:** 1 hour.

Happy as a Clammer! - Put on your **wading clothes and shoes** (no flip-flops) and learn the art of collecting hard-shell clams and ribbed mussels. **Meet** at the end of Old Ferry Landing Road. **Duration:** 30 minutes.

Beautiful Swimmers (Crabbing) - During this "crab and release" program you'll learn the mysteries of catching this delectable denizen of the bay, the Blue Crab. **Meet** at the end of Old Ferry Landing Road. **Duration:** 45 minutes.

Kayak Trip - Join us for a paddle on the bay to discover what's beneath the boat. Be ready to do some wading. Children between the ages of 6 and 12 years old must be with an adult in a tandem kayak (as a passenger **only**). Children must be 13 yrs or older to paddle kayak alone AND a parent or guardian must be on the trip. Must be 16 or older to paddle on trip alone.

One seat per person. All equipment is provided. Wear clothing and shoes (no flip-flops) for wading. **Note: Reservations must be made *in person* at the Visitor Center. There is a \$10.00 per person fee, payable by cash or check only when making the reservation** (non-refundable except for weather cancellations). **Meet** at the end of Old Ferry Landing Road. **Duration:** 2 hours.

Surf Rescue Demonstrations – Learn how you can keep you and your family safe at the beach this summer. Learn about the Surf Zone and what it takes to become a Surf Lifeguard. In this program Surf Lifeguards will explain the potential hazards at the beach and demonstrate surf rescue techniques. Please check in with a lifeguard at a lifeguard stand before 10am to insure availability of the program. **Meet** at the lifeguarded beach. **Duration:** 45 Minutes.

Snorkeling - Join rangers for an underwater exploration to learn the secrets of the bay. Limited equipment available, sign up at the Visitor Center. **Meet** at Bayside Drive near the rental stand. **Duration:** 1.5 Hours. **Note: Program is for ages 12 and older.**

Island by Bike - Get out and about and explore Assateague Island with a Ranger on a special bicycle tour! Discover the people of Assateague, past and present. **Children 16 or younger must wear a helmet at all times.** Bring your own bike or rent one at the end of Bayside Drive. Sign up at the Visitor Center. **Meet** at the end of Bayside Drive. **Duration:** 1.5 Hours.

