However you choose to experience the park, Glacier National Park has a ranger-led program designed just for you. Join us in exploring the natural and cultural resources of the park. Ranger-led programs include a variety of guided hikes, talks, boat tours, drop-in programs, and more. Park partners also offer a great selection of fee-based programs. Use this guide to find and schedule your experience today!

### June Highlights

#### Become a Junior Ranger

The Junior Ranger Program is an enjoyable way for kids and families to learn how to keep Glacier National Park wild and beautiful.

Stop by the Apgar, St. Mary, or Logan Pass Visitor Centers, or the Apgar Nature Center, and pick up a free Junior Ranger Activity Booklet. There is a pre-reader version of the booklet for our youngest junior rangers. (Children and maybe parents too!) will be challenged to complete the activities and earn an official Glacier Junior Ranger Badge.

#### Sun Point Hikes

Sun Point, along St. Mary Lake on the east side of the park, is a great place to start a hike with a ranger. After being closed due to construction activities for several years, we can now enjoy the lakeside views and staggering mountain scenes up and down the lake.

Two different hikes depart from Sun Point. One is an easy 1.5-mile stroll to Baring Falls and the other is a 5-mile hike past Baring and St. Mary Falls to spectacular Virginia Falls. Please check the St. Mary section of this paper for ranger-led program times and dates.

#### Appgar Nature Center

Families visiting Glacier National Park often seek unique experiences and activities. The Apgar Nature Center, located in Apgar Village, provides exciting learning opportunities designed specifically for families, including hands-on exhibits, youth-based activities, and ranger-led programs. Whether you want to touch a grizzly bear’s claw, feel a wolf’s pelt, hold a fossil, or discover other park treasures, the Apgar Nature Center offers something special for all ages and interests.

10 am to 4 pm
Open daily from June 17 through August 27

#### Glacier Park Boat Company Guided Tours and Hikes

Glacier Park Boat Company offers scenic boat tours, some with optional guided hikes. Tour lengths and prices vary by location. Boat tours are available at Lake McDonald, Two Medicine, Mary Glacier, and on St. Mary Lake at Rising Sun. Reservations are highly recommended. Reservations must be made at least 24 hours in advance. Limited same day tickets are available on a walk-up basis. Reservations can be made online at www.glacierparkboats.com or by calling (406) 257-2426.

- **Grinnell Valley Cruise & Hike**
  - Take a relaxing cruise on Swiftcurrent Lake and Lake Josephine (0.25-mile walk over a moderate hill) followed by an optional walk to spectacular Grinnell Lake. 
  - Fee: Adults $27.50; Children ages 4-12 $13.75; Children ages 3 and under are free. 
  - Hike dependent on trail conditions. 
  - Daily 9 am and 2 pm 
  - 3½ to 4 hours, easy 2-mile (3.2 km) hike 
  - Many Glacier Hotel Boat Dock (Arrive 20 minutes prior to departure)

- **Two Medicine Lake Cruise & Hike**
  - Cruise on scenic Two Medicine Lake followed by an optional walk to beautiful Twin Falls.
  - Fee: Adults $13.75; Children ages 4-12 $6.75; Children ages 3 and under are free. 
  - Hike dependent on trail conditions. 
  - Daily 1 pm and 3 pm 
  - 2½ to 3 hours, easy 1.8-mile (2.9 km) hike 
  - Two Medicine Boat Dock (Arrive 20 minutes prior to departure)

#### Glacier Institute Education Programs

The Glacier Institute is a private nonprofit partner, providing hands-on, field-based educational adventures to people from all over the world. Classrooms are the mountain trails and vast river basins that are home to more than 1,100 species of native plants, over 270 species of birds, and nearly 70 species of mammals.

Instructors are recognized experts in their fields, published authors, wildlife biologists, college professors, naturalists, and teachers.

Register at www.glacierinstitute.org.

- **A Sampling of Courses Offered in June and July**
  - Orchids - Glacier’s Precious Beauties: June 4 - $65
  - Spring Wildflowers: June 8 - $65
  - Montana Master Naturalist: June 16-23  - $875
  - Nature Photography: June 20-23 - $425
  - Glacier’s Birds of Prey: June 23-24 - $160
  - High Country Exploration: June 29 - $65
  - Birding by Ear: June 30 - July 1 - $65
  - Wildflower Wanderings: July 9 - $65
  - Fly Fishing for Beginners: July 13 - $65
Lake McDonald Valley

**Drop-in Programs**
Park rangers will be available during the times listed. "Drop-in" and see what we are up to. Stay for a minute or stay for an hour.

**Appar Nature Center Exploration**
Touch a grizzly bear’s claw, feel a wolf’s coat, or hold an elk’s antler. Rangers and volunteers will teach the whole family about what makes Glacier special. Family friendly. Anytime between 10 am and 4 pm

**Appar Nature Center**
(Pathway east of the campfire in Apgar Village)

**Sanctuary of Cedars**
Relish in the splendor and diversity of the park’s iconic old growth forest. Anytime between 3:30 pm and 5 pm

**20-30 miles**
Appar Nature Center
(Pathway east of the campfire in Apgar Village)

**Lake McDonald Boat Tour**
Cruse on Lake McDonald and enjoy a sampling of Glacier’s stories aboard the historic Désirée. Arrive 20 minutes prior to departure. Free: $18.25 adults; $9.25 children ages 4-12; free for ages 3 and younger. Reservations are highly recommended. For reservations, call (406) 257-2426 or visit www.glacierparkboats.com.

1 hour
Lake McDonald Lodge Boat Dock

**20 minutes**
Apgar Visitor Center Plaza

**45 minutes**
Appar Campground Amphitheater

Fish Creek Campground Amphitheater

Lake McDonald Lodge Evening Program

**Evening Programs**
Explore Glacier’s natural and cultural history along the shore of Lake McDonald. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.

45 minutes
Appar Campground Amphitheater

Fish Creek Campground Amphitheater

Lake McDonald Lodge Evening Program

Spend an evening discovering the many wonders of Glacier National Park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. All park visitors welcome.

45 minutes
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**Native America Speaks**
Gain a new perspective as members of the Salish, Kootenai, Pend d’Oreille, and Blackfeet tribes share their histories and traditions. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.

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**Triple Divide: Heritage and Legacy featuring Jack Gladstone**
Explore Native American heritage with the artistic stylings of storysmith Jack Gladstone. Listen to tribal stories, animal legends, and character portraits woven together through song and story. Non-campers welcome. Limited parking space available.

45 minutes
Lake McDonald Lodge Auditorium

**Walls and Hikes**

**Avalanche Lake Hike**
Journey through a majestic old growth forest to scenic Avalanche Lake and uncover the intricacies of this unique environment.

3½ hours, moderate 5-mile (8 km) hike
Avalanche Creek roadside parking area

**Birding for Beginners Walk**
Join an introductory bird walk and learn how to use field guides and binoculars to identify Glacier's birds and uncover their natural history.

2 hours, easy 1.5-mile (2.4 km) walk
Lake McDonald Lodge Visitor Center Flagpole

**From Seeds to Cedars Walk**
Discover wildflowers, trees, and other plant life living in Glacier’s dynamic landscape.

2 hours, moderate 3.2-mile (5 km) walk
McDonald Creek Bridge on Camas Road (0.25 miles west of the Apgar Village turnoff)

**Johns Lake Loop Hike**
Explore stunning cedar-hemlock forests, quiet lakes, and roaring cascades on this leisurely hike.

2 hours, easy 3-mile (4.8 km) hike
Johns Lake trailhead (1.5 miles north of the Lake McDonald lodge on the Going-to-the-Sun Road)

**Nurturing Native Plants**
Take an intimate look at how plants are grown in the park’s Native Plant Nursery and used in revegetation projects throughout the park.

1½ hours, easy walking tour
Park Headquarters Flagpole

**Rocky Point Ramble**
Enjoy scenic vistas and a diverse landscape as you hike along an ever-changing trail to the shores of Lake McDonald.

2 hours, moderate 2.25-mile (3.6 km) hike
Rocky Point trailhead (0.25 mile north of Fish Creek Campground kiosk on the Inside North Fork Road)

**Scultping the Landscape Walk**
Unearth the dynamic forces that build and shape the dramatic scenery in the park.

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Under the Conifers Walk
Explore the dramatic forest bordering the stunning cascades of upper McDonald Creek.

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Experience the fascinating connections between the plants, animals, and non-living material on this special. Family friendly.

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(Pathway east of the campfire in Apgar Village)

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** Talks**

**Amazing Animals Talk**
Explore the natural history and adaptations of some of Glacier’s famous inhabitants.

30 minutes
Appar Nature Center talk area
(Pathway east of the campfire in Apgar Village)

**Ranger’s Choice Talk**
Discover unique aspects of the park as a park ranger explores a topic of his/her choice.

30 minutes
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**Wildlife Encounters Talk**
Bear: Mountain Iran? Learn how to enjoy the park safely. Include a bear spray demonstration.

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Appar Visitor Center Plaza

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(Pathway east of the campfire in Apgar Village)
**Talks & Evening Programs**

**Native America Speaks**

- **Two Medicine Campground Evening Talk**
  - Experience a national park tradition by joining a ranger for an engaging look at the natural and cultural history of the park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. 45 minutes
  - Rising Sun Campground Amphitheater

**Walks & Hikes**

- **Mountains, Meadows, and the Magic Forest Hike**
  - 5 hours, moderate 7-mile (11.2 km) hike
  - Reservations can be made online at www.glacierparkboats.com or by calling (406) 257-2426. Arrive 20 minutes prior to departure at the Two Medicine Boat Dock.
  - Waterfalls Wonder Hike
  - Discover the splendor of three waterfalls on this moderate hike along the shore of St. Mary Lake. Enjoy the captivating views of waterfalls that sit on Sun Point and follow in the footsteps of the park’s early visitors on this easy walk.
  - Limited parking available at the trailhead. 1.5 hours, easy 2-mile (3.2 km) hike

**Children’s Programs**

- **Two Medicine Campstore**
  - Children’s programs are designed specifically for families and children. Children must be accompanied by an adult while in attendance.
  - Family Program
  - Learn about Glacier’s wonderful wildlife, geology, history and much more. This is a great opportunity to complete the ranger-led activity required to earn your Junior Ranger badge! These interactive family programs are geared towards kids age 5–12. Inquire at the St. Mary Visitor Center or look on local bulletin boards for presentation topics.
  - 20-30 minutes
  - St. Mary and Rising Sun Campground Amphitheaters

**Boat Tours & Hikes**

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  - Cruise with a ranger on St. Mary Lake. Take in spectacular views and learn about Glacier’s ever-changing landscape. Take the optional 3-mile round-trip hike and experience the rejuvenating effect of Baring, St. Mary, and Virginia Falls. You'll also discover nature's renewal while hiking through areas burned during the 2015 Reynolds Creek Fire.
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**St. Mary Valley**

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**Aster Park Hike**

Take delight in a moderate hike past moose and beaver ponds to the simple beauty of Aster Falls. Then continue sharply upward 670 feet to Aster Park Overlook where you can enjoy your lunch and the splendid, panoramic views of the Two Medicine Valley.

- **4 hours, moderate 4-mile (6.4 km) hike**

**Rockwell Falls Hike**

Follow a ranger along a meandering path through old forests, flower-filled meadows, and avalanche chutes to your destination. The soothing sights and sounds of gorgeous Rockwell Falls will surely wash your cares away. Linger in the refreshing mist of the falls before returning to the trailhead.

- **5 hours, moderate 7-mile (11.2 km) hike**

**Sh’I’ll Be Coming Around the Mountain**

Join a ranger on a moderate hike around the base of Rising Wolf Mountain to the peaceful, open Dry Fork Valley. Experience the striking diversity of the landscape as you explore the historic, elegant chalet that sat on Sun Point and follow in the footsteps of the park’s early visitors on this easy walk.

- **4 hours, moderate 5-mile (8 km) hike**

**Scenic Point Hike**

Join a ranger for a steadily climbing hike to the eye-popping views of Scenic Point, over 2,000 feet above the trailhead. On the way, you’ll pass by brumeloot trees, a skeleton forest, and maybe even signs or sightings of alpine caddis.

- **5 hours, strenuous 6-mile (9.7 km) hike**
Many Glacier Is that a rock or a mountain goat? Use our spotting scopes to scan the slopes for wildlife as a park ranger answers questions about Glacier’s animals. Drop by between 6:00 pm and 7:30 pm Swiftcurrent Motor Inn parking lot.

Many Glacier Campground Evening Talk Learn about the cultural history of the park. Check bulletin boards for specific topics. Non-campers welcome. 45 minutes Many Glacier Campground Amphitheater

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Grinnell Valley Trailhead in the Many Glacier picnic area

Wildflower Walk Join a ranger for a fast-paced guided hike to Kootenai Lakes, which lie beneath looming Citadel Peak. There is little elevation gain as we hike through mature forest and meadows. A Watchable Wildlife Activity

Kootenai Lakes Hike Join a ranger for a fast-paced guided hike to beautiful Kootenai Lakes, which lie beneath looming Citadel Peak. There is little elevation gain as we hike through mature forest and meadows. Take the 10:00 am cruise from Waterton, and make arrangements with the boat company to return on the 2:30 pm boat. 3 hours, moderate 6-mile (9.7 km) hike Many Glacier Hotel Evening Ranger Chat

Goat Haunt Rainbow Falls Hike Discover the wonder of water along the powerful Waterton River as you join a ranger for an easy walk to Rainbow Falls. Take the 10:00 am cruise from Waterton, and make arrangements with the boat company to return on the 2:30 pm boat. 2 hours, easy 2-mile (3.2 km) hike

Goat Haunt Ranger Station

Goat Haunt Walks & Hikes International Peace Park Hike Hike with both U.S. and Canadian guides on this walk through Waterton Lakes National Park in Canada. See beautiful Kootenai Lakes and Cassiar and view the Continental Divide in the distance. Reserve in advance. 4½ hours, moderate 10-mile (16 km) hike

Kootenai Lakes Hike Join a ranger for a 2½-hour guided hike to the beautiful Kootenai Lakes. The hike begins at the Kootenai Creek picnic area and ends at the meeting point. 2½ hours, moderate 2½-mile hike

Kootenai Lake Trailhead in the Kootenai lakeside picnic area

Goat Haunt Walks & Hikes St. Mary Visitor Center in Glacier (406-722-7750) or the Waterton Lakes Visitors Information Centre in Waterton (403-859-5133). Reservations are only accepted for the next scheduled hike (open on Tuesdays for Friday hikes; open on Fridays for Tuesday hikes). 8 hours, moderate 10½-mile (17 km) hike

Hidden Lake Trailhead in Waterton Lakes National Park

Logan Pass Walks & Hikes Drop in Programs Goodbye to the Glaciers Learn about our disappearing glaciers and the impact their loss will have on the park and beyond. In case of inclement weather, the program will move inside the visitor center.

Anytime between 2:00 pm and 3:00 pm Back doors of the Logan Pass Visitor Center

Scope It Out A Watchable Wildlife Activity Is that a rock or a mountain goat? Use our spotting scopes to scan the slopes for wildlife as a park ranger answers questions about Glacier’s animals. Anytime between 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm Paved paths around the visitor center

Glider Park Conservancy The Glacier National Park Conservancy helps support Glacier’s interpretive programs with funding for Native America Speaks, many of our park interns, our summer astronomy interpreters, and the park’s free publication program. They also support the parks trails maintenance activities, scientific research, and our K-12 in-park education programs. This year the Conservancy will fund 46 projects throughout the park.