



Oxbow Meadows Discovery Boxes

**Enhance your classroom curriculum with Oxbow Meadows's
Discovery Box!**

The following Discovery Boxes are Available:

- **Butterflies (Grades K-4th)** – Students will have access to view and learn from a variety of mounted butterflies (26 butterflies are provided). Teachers will be provided with the curriculum guide "Butterflies Abound! A Whole Language Resource Guide for K-4" by Seddon Keaty and Irene Fountas, and "Discover Butterflies!" by Callaway Gardens. In addition, the Discovery Box will include the following children's books: "Young Naturalist's Pop-up Handbook: Butterflies" by Robert Sabuda and Matthew Reinhart, "Butterfly" by Susan Canizares, "My, Oh My – a Butterfly" by Tish Rabe, and "Butterfly Birthday" by Harriet Ziefert. Also included are 10 hand-lens for student use.
- **Butterflies (Grades 3rd and up)** – In this Discovery Box, teachers are provided with the curriculum units, "Monarchs in the Classroom for Grades 3-6" by Monarchs in the Classroom, "Monarchs in the Classroom for Middle School" by Monarchs in the Classroom, and "The Family Butterfly Book and Field Guide" by Rick Mikula. The following field guides are also provided: "Peterson First Guides: Butterflies and Moths" (2 copies) and "Peterson First Guides: Caterpillars" (1 copy). In addition this Discovery Box contains 26 mounted butterflies and 10 hand-lens.
- **Fun with Nature (Grades K and up)** – Curriculum found in this discovery box is "Buzzing a Hive" by University of California and "Hands on Nature: Information and Activities for Exploring the Environment with Children" by Jenepher Lingelbach. Children's books included are: "What Bit Me?" by D. M. Souza, "Creepy Crawlies" by Cathy Kilpatrick, "On Beyond Bugs!" by Tish Rabe, "Young Naturalist's Pop-up Handbook: Beetles" by Robert Sabuda and Matthew Reinhart, and "Fun with Nature" by Northword Press. Also included are 7 insect mounts, 10 hand-lens, 20 collection boxes, and a class set of Bug-go activity.
- **Trees (Grades K and up)** – Curriculum books included are "Learn About Forests" by Eagle Eye Institute, "Trees are Terrific!" by National Wildlife Federation, "Ecology for All Ages" by Jorie Hunken, "Peterson's Field Guide Coloring Books: Forests" by John Kricher and Sara Bennett, "Trees, Leaves, and Bark" by Diane Burns, and "The Life Cycle of a Tree" by Bobbie Kalman. Complete hands-on activity sets include the "What Leaf Is It?", "Nature Watch: Arbor Day Activity Set". Included field guides are "Native Trees of Georgia" (10 copies), "Peterson First Guides: Trees" (1 copy), and "Tree Fandex" (4 copies). Other materials include 20 hand-lens, 14 tree ring samples, templates (3 of each) for 8 different leaf rubbings, and Tree-mendous Tree card game.

Discovery Box Reservation Request

To schedule a rental of a Discovery Box, please fill out the following information and return to the Education Program Manager at:
johnson_lauren1@columbusstate.edu

Contact Information:

Name: _____ School Name: _____
Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Please indicate the Discovery Box you would like to rent:

Butterflies (Grades K-4th) Butterflies (Grades 3th and up)
 Fun with Nature (Grade K and up) Trees (Grades K and up)

Rental Details:

Discovery Boxes rent for a two week period beginning on a Saturday. You may pick up the box on a day other than Saturday, but your return date remains two weeks after the original Saturday pick up date. If you are picking up the box earlier than Saturday, it may be for no more than 5 days in advance and you must receive permission from the Education Program Manager.

Please choose a Saturday as your date of choice:

___/___/___
1st choice

___/___/___
2nd choice

___/___/___
3rd choice

Payment Information:

Cost: Special Introductory cost of \$25 for 2 weeks (late fee: \$10 per day)

**If you are CSU alumni, you are provided this rental free of charge; late fees still apply.

Are you CSU alumni? Yes No

Deposit Information:

The Discovery Box Kit will be inventoried at pick up and drop off. The price of any missing or damaged items will be charged. Failure to return the box will result in a \$200 fee. Payment may be made in cash, check, or credit card; however a credit card is required as a deposit. Once we have received your paperwork, you will receive an email with confirmation of Discovery Box Rental and information on how to put a deposit on the Discovery Box with a credit card.

Additional Information: _____

Discovery Box Rental Guidelines

Pick-up and Return: Discovery Boxes can be picked up on the scheduled Saturday from 10:00am to 6:00pm. If you would like to pick on Monday-Friday prior to this date, you must contact the Education Program Manager. You and an Oxbow staff member will inspect the Discovery Box prior to departing with the Discovery Box and sign the Rental Agreement. Upon returning the Discovery Box, you and an Oxbow staff member will inspect and inventory items in the Discovery Box.

Payment: Deposit is required to secure your rental. Payment is due by the pick-up date. Payment can be made by credit card, cash, or check either in person or over the phone. If you would like to mail your payment to Oxbow Meadows, please mail to:

Oxbow Meadows
3535 South Lumpkin Road
Columbus, GA 31903

Late Returns: If you find that you will be unable to return the materials on time, please contact Oxbow Meadows as soon as possible. Late fees will be applied at \$10 a day. If the box is not returned after a time span of three months, you will be charged a \$200 fee.

Damage: While normal wear and tear are expected, excessive damage and/or missing items are not. Materials are inventoried and inspected after each use. A \$50 damage fee will be issued for damaged or missing items.

Thank you for your interest in Oxbow Meadows's Discovery Boxes!

If you would like to learn more about other educational opportunities at
Oxbow Meadows please visit:
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