

Orange County Wild Summer Camp Providers

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The following is a list of Orange County wilderness land managers and stewards, including non-profit organizations, state, county and city park systems, and public conservancy groups who offer nature based summer camp programs. Nature camps engage campers through “real-world” learning experiences, with the goal of helping them achieve higher levels of academic success as well as an understanding of and appreciation for the environment.



About Orange County Wild

Orange County Wild’s mission is to educate the public about the importance of preserving, protecting, and enhancing our wildland forest, park and reserve resources from the mountains to the Pacific. OC Wild is a coalition of Orange County wilderness land managers and stewards dedicated to increasing interest in Orange County parks and reserves. Through its support of public programs, Orange County Wild hopes to prepare California’s children for their role as stewards of our public lands.

OC Wild Facility

OC Wild Facility	Grade levels	City	Contact	Phone
Orange County Wild's "Camp Wild"	2 - 4	various locations	Winter Bonnin	949-497-7647
Audubon Starr Ranch Sanctuary	3 - 8	Trabuco Canyon	Sandy DeSimone	949-858-0309
Environmental Nature Center	K - 6	Newport Beach	Lori Whalen	949-645-8489
Irvine Open Space Preserve	K - 6	Irvine	Alicia Legas	949-724-6738
Oak Canyon Nature Center	K - 5	Anaheim Hills	Staff	714-998-8380
Orange County Natural History Museum	K - 8	Laguna Niguel	Staff	949-831-3287
Ronald W. Caspers Wilderness Park	8 - 12	San Juan Capistrano	John Gannaway	949-923-2210
Sea and Sage Audubon Society	2 - 12	Irvine	Grace McElhiney	714-969-9617
Upper Newport Bay Nature Preserve (County of Orange)	3 - 6	Newport Beach	Sue McIntire	949-923-2293
"Bat Camp" at Starr Ranch	4 - 10	Trabuco Canyon	Stephanie Remington	949-233-0765

About the Passport Program

The passport program invites participants to attend interpretive programs at five different OC Wild facilities. Once they have completed all five programs and received signatures from each location, the Passport is redeemable for a free visit to the Orange County Natural History Museum, and an Orange County Wildlands Lover patch. All completed passports will also be entered into a drawing for prizes on Earth Day each year. The passport is available on the organization’s website, www.orangecountywild.org, and at participating parks and wilderness reserves.

For more information visit www.OrangeCountyWild.org