

# Clifty Falls State Park September 2024

## Sunday, September 22

**10am Knock, Knock, Who's There?** - Did you know there are seven species of woodpeckers that call Clifty Falls home? Come to the **Nature Center** for this 30-minute program to discover the different types of woodpeckers you might see in the park.

**2pm Insect Investigation** - Meet the naturalist at the **Nature Center** to go on a 45-minute moderate walk to discover the lives of various insects that call Clifty Falls home. We'll explore outdoors and see what 6-legged creatures we can find, and we'll also show you how to use various apps and field guides that can help you identify them.

## Saturday, September 28

**8am Run the Falls 5K** - Norton King's Daughters' Health invites you to support Norton KDH Girls on the Run by running or walking in their 26th annual 5K. Contact Heather Foy at: **812-801-0175** for more information, or visit <a href="https://nortonkdh.com/Run-the-Falls-5k/">https://nortonkdh.com/Run-the-Falls-5k/</a>

**10am Birdwatching 101** - Meet at the **Nature Center** for a 1-hour moderate hike to look and listen for our feathered friends. Bring your binoculars! We'll show you everything you need to know, from how to use your binoculars and field guides, and how to start a bird journal.

**2pm Fact or Fiction?** - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for this 45-minute, easy, ADA accessible walk to look at some of our native plants. Test your knowledge to see if you can determine if the statements made about them are fact or fiction.

**5-6pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**6:30pm Campfire Sing-along** - Come to the **Campground Amphitheater** to join us around the campfire with guests Jay and Kim Crawford. As Jay plays his guitar, join in with your voices and sing along as we sing songs around the campfire during this 45-minute program.

## Sunday, September 29

**10am Waterfall Hike** - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There is a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!

**2pm National Public Lands Day Invasive Plant Wrangle** - Meet a naturalist at **Cragmont Shelter** to discover how to identify a few of our invasive plants, and why and how we remove them. You will also have a chance to remove some of them yourself during this 1-hour program. Please bring work gloves.



#### Interested in Earning a Pin or Patch?

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Discover

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## Sunday, September 1

**10am Hike Through History** - Meet at the **Nature Center** for this hour-long moderate hike to explore the history of Clifty Falls State Park.

**2pm Waterfall Hike** - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There is a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!

#### Monday, September 2

**10am Life of a Dragonfly** - Come to the **Nature Center** to explore the lives of our dragonflies and make a fun craft to take home with you during this 30-minute program.

#### Saturday, September 7

**10am Vulture Venture** - It's Vulture Awareness Day! Come to the **Nature Center** for a short easy hike to discover the differences in black vultures and turkey vultures. Learn about their unique habits during this 30-minute program. Bring your binoculars!

**2pm Arachnid Anatomy** - Many of us have a fear of spiders, with 8 legs and 8 eyes they can be intimidating! Come to the **Nature Center** to discover more about these creepy critters and make a fun spider to take home with you during this 30-minute program.

**6 -7pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**8:30pm Constellation Cruise** - Come to **Poplar Grove Shelter** to look up at the night sky and see some of our constellations and discover their stories through history during this hour-long program. Bring a blanket to lay on or a chair if you would like.

#### Sunday, September 8

**10am Turtle Time** - Discover the turtles that call Clifty Falls home and meet our live terrestrial and aquatic turtles during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center.** 

**2pm Fur Familiarization** - Discover some of Indiana's native mammals and get a chance to see their fur up close during this 30-minute program at the **Nature Center.** 

## Saturday, September 14

**10am The Great Migration Game** - It's that time of year where many birds are heading south. Come to the **Nature Center** to play a fun game and discover if you can survive the migration route of our feathered friends during this 30-minute program.

**1pm Women's Hiking Group Meet-Up** - Ladies! Join us for our monthly group hike where you can get outdoors and meet like-minded women. This 1 ½ hour hike is rugged. Meet at the **Nature Center.** 

**5:30-6:30pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**7pm History of Campfire Stories** - Come to the **Campground Amphitheater** to discover how campfire stories first came to be and then hear a fun story during this 30-minute activity.

#### Sunday, September 15

**10am Signs of Fall Walk** - Meet at the **Nature Center** for this 45-minute moderate hike to search for signs that the fall season is quickly approaching. We will be looking at wildflowers, trees, insects, and more!

**2pm The Secrets of Seeds** - Meet at the **Nature Center** to discover more about some common seeds that you can find here in our park and play a fun game during this 30-minute activity.

#### Saturday, September 21

**10am Waterfall Hike** - Meet at **Clifty Shelter** for a 1 hour moderately rugged hike through one of the most scenic sections of Clifty Canyon. There is a chance to see 5 waterfalls along the way!

**2pm Natures Predictions for Winter** - Discover various items in nature that are said to predict what the future winter will bring and make a fun craft to take home with you during this 45-minute activity at the **Nature Center**.

**6 -7pm Roving Naturalist** - The naturalist will be roving through the **Campground** with an interesting item. Can you guess what it is?

**8:30pm Magnificent Moths** - Come to the outdoor **pool** to discover some of the unique moths and other nighttime insects that inhabit Clifty Falls during this hourlong program.