

PRE-TRIP DETAILS



OGEECHEE RIVER PADDLE & OSSABAW ISLAND TOUR

MAY 5-7, 2017

We hope you are excited about your upcoming adventure! Be on the lookout for a pre-trip email detailing everything you will need to know about your trip 2-3 weeks before the scheduled trip. In the meantime, please use the general information below to prepare for your Stewardship Trip with us! We suggest leaving a copy of this document with a personal contact at home.

Prior to departure, please review the gear list in our pre-trip email and fill out the GC online waiver at: <https://www.smartwaiver.com/v/gctripswaiver/>

CONTACTS

If you have any questions before the trip, please email us or call our office phone. If you reach our voicemail, leave a message with your name, a phone number where you can be reached, and a brief explanation of the situation.

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*For Cancellations or Questions:

Email bfowler@georgiaconservancy.org

Call: (404) 876-2900 (ext. 111)

Office hours 9:00a.m.-5:30p.m. Monday-Friday

Meeting time: Friday @ 4:00 pm at Staff Cabin (TBA)

Meeting Location: Fort McAllister State Park 3894 Fort McAllister Road Richmond Hill, GA 31324

GPS Coordinates N 31.888583 | W -081.200883

Google Maps: [Link](#)

Staff Leadership: Ben Fowler, Laura Buckmaster

Duration: 3 Days, 2 Nights - Friday through Sunday

Expected Attendance: 80 participants

Look for: Georgia Conservancy signs and staff

ACCOMODATIONS:

Pioneer Camping- This is a primitive site for our group only. Sites have water but no electricity. Sites have Adirondack shelter, fire ring and shared pit toilets. All campers will have access to Staff Cabin facilities at any time.

Cottages (#1-7)- Ft. McAllister cabins include two bedrooms, a group area, back porch and a kitchen with cooking and dining supplies. You are responsible for checking out of your cabin according to the instructions located in the guest folder in the cabin!

*If you are coming in an RV or Camper please call Fort McAllister and make your own overnight arrangements.

Check out more info here: <http://www.gastateparks.org/FortMcAllister>

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ARRIVAL:

Check-In will be at 4:00 pm on Friday (look for “welcome paddlers” banner). Everyone please stop at the visitor center upon arrival and purchase the \$5 Parking Pass as well as receive the after-hours gate code from the park staff. From there please pick up a map and make your way to the Staff Cabin (TBD) to check-in, receive cabin keys or camping gear, and say hello.

WEATHER:

Temperatures on average are a high of 83° F and a low of 59° F.

Check here for current conditions and forecasts: <https://weather.com/weather/today/l/USGA0476:1:US>

RECOMMENDED GEAR:

<u>Gear List</u>	<u>Clothing</u>	<u>Optional Gear</u>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Headlamp<input type="checkbox"/> Daypack<input type="checkbox"/> Water bottle (2)<input type="checkbox"/> Toiletries<input type="checkbox"/> Towels<input type="checkbox"/> Cooler with ice<input type="checkbox"/> Shoes that you can get wet<input type="checkbox"/> Sunglasses & sunscreen<input type="checkbox"/> Extra snacks<input type="checkbox"/> All eating utensils: Plate, bowl, coffee cups/mugs, forks, spoons, knives<input type="checkbox"/> Tent<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping bag<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping pad	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Non-cotton clothing layers: as many pants, shorts, shirts, undergarments as you might need for a weekend<input type="checkbox"/> dry underwear and socks<input type="checkbox"/> Sun hat/warm beanie<input type="checkbox"/> Shoes and sandals<input type="checkbox"/> A fleece or hoodie<input type="checkbox"/> Raincoat<input type="checkbox"/> Clothes for the river	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> Camera<input type="checkbox"/> Extra clothing<input type="checkbox"/> Extra dry bags for personal equipment<input type="checkbox"/> dry bag (if you have one), Ziplocs, or trash bags<input type="checkbox"/> campfire chair<input type="checkbox"/> Ear plugs<input type="checkbox"/> Pillow<input type="checkbox"/> Campfire beverages (over 21)<input type="checkbox"/> Allergy medicine <p><u>Provided Gear</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><input type="checkbox"/> First Aid<input type="checkbox"/> Dishwashing station

MEALS INCLUDED: (See FAQ’s for more info on GC meals)

Friday - Dinner

Saturday - Dinner

Sunday – Bag Lunch (if participating in Ossabaw Tour)

Participants will need to provide their own breakfast and lunch meals. Fridge and kitchen facilities will be available via Staff and Group cabins

*All GC meals are based on a vegetarian diet. Some meals may include seafood options.

RECOMMENDED EXPERIENCE LEVEL: See FAQ’s for more information

Ogeechee River Paddle = **Novice** to **Intermediate** (due to length of paddle, swift tidal currents, and quick turns)