

2023 CALENDAR

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OPENERS

Summer Camp Registration

Feb. 15 • DuPage Residents

March 1 • General Registration
dupageforest.org/camps

Make plans for summertime fun for kids and teens entering first through eighth grades.

Golf Courses

April 1 • dupagegolf.com

Green Meadows, Maple Meadows, & The Preserve at Oak Meadows

Enjoy a round of golf at one of our distinctive forest preserve courses.

Spring Trout Season

April 1 • 6 a.m.

Blackwell, Pratt's Wayne Woods, & Wood Dale Grove

Grab your fishing gear, license, and trout stamp, and head out to this highly anticipated event.

Boat Rentals

Blackwell Weekends May 6 – Sept. 30

Weekdays May 29 – Sept. 4
11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Herrick Lake Weekends May 27 – Sept. 4

11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Explore two DuPage forest preserve lakes by kayak, canoe, or rowboat. Have fun on Silver Lake by paddleboat, too!

Family Camping

May 5 – Oct. 9

Friday & Saturday Nights • Blackwell

Spend a night in this popular forest preserve by a campfire under the stars.

Scenic Overlook

May 6 – Oct. 29 • 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.

Weekends • Greene Valley

Get a bird's-eye view of the landscape from one of the tallest points in the county.

Fall Trout Season

Oct. 21 • 6 a.m.

Blackwell, Pratt's Wayne Woods, & Wood Dale Grove

Grab your fishing gear, license, and trout stamp, and head out to this popular opener.

Annual Permit Sales

Dec. 1 • dupageforest.org

Get your 2024 permits for off-leash dog areas, private watercraft, model crafts, and the archery range.

Snow Tubing

Dec. 3 – Feb. 26 • 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Weekends & School Holidays

Blackwell

When there's plenty of snow on the hill, take a fun 800-foot ride down Mount Hoy.

Snowshoe Rental

Dec. 3 – Feb. 26 • Hours Vary

Blackwell & Fullersburg Woods

Explore the wintry forest preserve trails by snowshoe.

SIGNATURE EVENTS

Hard Water Classic

Jan. 7 • Noon – 3:30 p.m.

Blackwell (Backup date Feb. 11)

Take part in the only competitive ice-fishing tournament in DuPage County.

Trout Fishing for Kids

March 25 • 8 a.m. – Noon

Wood Dale Grove

Introduce young anglers to trout fishing at this preseason event for ages 15 and under.

Native Plant Sale

May 19 • 10 a.m. – 7 p.m.

May 20 • 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Mayslake Peabody Estate

Fill your garden with flowers, grasses, and shrubs adapted to DuPage soils and weather.

Just for Kids Fishing Derby

June 11 • 8 – 11 a.m.

Blackwell

Join this annual friendly fishing competition that's just for anglers 15 and under.

Fall Native Tree & Shrub Sale

Order Online Starting Aug. 1

Pick Up at St. James Farm Sept. 22 & 23

Fulfill your fall planting plans with native trees and shrubs adapted to DuPage conditions.

Archery Open House

Aug. 5 • 9 a.m. – Noon

Blackwell

Learn about this classic sport, and try the basics with a certified instructor.

Fall Festival at Danada

Oct. 7 & 8 • 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

Danada Equestrian Center

Enjoy equestrian performances, hayrides, kids activities, displays, food, and more.

