

Wild About Wildlife! Traveling Trunks

Snowdon Wildlife Sanctuary

Wild About Wildlife! Trunk Topics and Example Resources & Activities

Bears — Best for Pre-K thru Middle

- Includes books, IDF&G Wildlife Express, videos, skulls, claws, hide samples, puppets, etc. to compare bear species; explore their cultural significance; learn about bears and new scientific research; and understand how to minimize conflicts with bears in our communities.

Owls — All ages

- Includes books, videos, skull, feathers, owl sounds, puppets, etc., as well as owl pellet dissection kits, if requested, to identify and explore the importance of Idaho's 14 owl species; Students learn about the role owls play in the maintenance of environmental balance through the dissection of owl pellets. Note: ideas are provided on how even very young students can complete and learn from owl-pellet dissection. *Please allow at least one week's notice if more than 25 pellets are needed.*

Mustelids (Weasel family) — Best for Upper Elem. thru HS

- Includes books, IDF&G Wildlife Express, videos, skulls, a wolverine hide, weasel mount, etc. to learn about and compare species in this family. Students will learn about the often misunderstood wolverine, and the significance of this rare mammal in our local environment. Includes video and brochure information about the current wolverine study going on in the McCall vicinity.

Corvids (Ravens, Crows, Jays, & Magpies) — Best for Pre-K thru Elementary

Includes books, IDF&G Wildlife Express, videos, puppets, bird sounds, various replicas, etc. to explore species in the Corvid family and learn about bird intelligence; Students make a simple monocular to promote bird observation and appreciation.

Canids (Wolves, Coyotes and Foxes) — Best for Elementary thru HS

- Includes books, IDF&G Wildlife Express, videos; canid family skulls, tracks and hides, etc. to compare these species. A focus is placed on exploring the conflicts presented when these species interact with humans.

Diurnal Birds of Prey — Best for Upper Elem. thru HS

- Includes a life-size stuffed replica of a bald eagle, as well as videos, books, IDF&G Wildlife Express, skulls, talon and egg replicas, feathers, etc. Students explore the significance of preserving these magnificent birds.

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Reserve a trunk: Call Carolyn Walpole at **208-315-2014**