



HUYCK PRESERVE AND BIOLOGICAL RESEARCH STATION

Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station Packing List

Climate

The Preserve's northern location (northwest of the Catskills) makes for pleasant summers with average temperatures in the low to mid 70s. Night time temperatures range from the 40's to 70's. The occasional rainy day should be expected. Come prepared for beautiful hot and breezy summer days, torrential downpours, and cool nights. Reliable rain gear, waterproof boots, and layers will be your best strategy.

Laundry

A washers and dryer is available. You will need to provide your own laundry soap.

Recreation

Recreational activities for Station Residents include hiking, swimming on Lake Myosotis, occasional campfires, and movies. It is standard practice for swimmers under the age of 18 to pass a three-lap endurance test to swim on Lake Myosotis. Canoeing/kayaking on the lake is also allowed however the Preserve does not provide boats.

Checklist of Things to Bring to the Huyck Preserve:

The Essentials	Other Useful Stuff
<input type="checkbox"/> Pillow	<input type="checkbox"/> Laptop Computer
<input type="checkbox"/> Sleeping Bag or Several Warm Blankets	<input type="checkbox"/> Sun Glasses
<input type="checkbox"/> Sheet (top and bottom, twin size)	<input type="checkbox"/> Sun Hat
<input type="checkbox"/> Towels and Wash Cloths	<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking or Regular Sandals
<input type="checkbox"/> Pajamas	<input type="checkbox"/> 2 nd pair of closed toed shoes
<input type="checkbox"/> Personal Toiletries	<input type="checkbox"/> Laundry Bag
<input type="checkbox"/> Prescription Medication	<input type="checkbox"/> Bath Robe
<input type="checkbox"/> Rugged "Field Clothes"	<input type="checkbox"/> Ear plugs
<input type="checkbox"/> Long & short sleeved T-shirts	<input type="checkbox"/> Alarm Clock
<input type="checkbox"/> Long-pants	<input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars
<input type="checkbox"/> Sweatshirts or Sweaters	<input type="checkbox"/> Field Guides
<input type="checkbox"/> Jacket	<input type="checkbox"/> Deck of Cards
<input type="checkbox"/> Closed-Toed Hiking Boots or Not New Tennis Shoes	<input type="checkbox"/> CDs or DVDs
<input type="checkbox"/> Hiking Socks	<input type="checkbox"/> Needle Point/Knitting/Board Games/Etc.
<input type="checkbox"/> Flashlight/Head lamp	<input type="checkbox"/> Money for Huyck Preserve t-shirts, lunch/dinner in town
<input type="checkbox"/> Swim Suit	
<input type="checkbox"/> Rain Gear (Rain coat and pants)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Water Bottle	
<input type="checkbox"/> Phone Card	
<input type="checkbox"/> Sunscreen	
<input type="checkbox"/> Insect Repellent	
<input type="checkbox"/> Backpack/Day Pack	
<input type="checkbox"/> Flip Flops (for the bathroom)	

Communications at the Huyck Preserve and Biological Research Station

- **Telephone:** There are "phone card only" public phones at the Eldridge Research Station. Phone messages can be left at the Main Office (518-797-3440) and the Eldridge Research Station (518-797-5172).
- **Cell Phones:** There is limited cell phone coverage (Verizon ONLY) at the Preserve and in the town of Rensselaerville. It is HIGHLY recommended that you bring a phone card.
- **Internet:** There is limited internet service at the Eldridge Research Station provided by Verizon MiFi Hotspots with 10GB limits/month and the capacity to provide internet for 5 people at any single time. Hotspots are to remain in the Research Lab at ALL TIMES.
 - The following are NEVER to be done while using the internet:
 - Downloading videos, music, or other large files (if you are uncertain about a file size please check with Huyck Preserve Staff)
 - Streaming music, videos, or television (no Hulu, YouTube, or Pandora)
 - Skype
 - Installing software
 - Need more bandwidth? Hike to the Visitor's Center! Or arrange to bring your own Verizon hotspot.
- **Fax Service:** Station residents can send and receive faxes at the Preserve's Main Office, 518-797-3440.
- **U.S. Mail and Shipping Services:** U.S. Mail, UPS and FedEx all deliver to the Huyck Preserve.

Postal and USPS:
Your Name
c/o the Huyck Preserve and
Biological Research Station
P.O. Box 189
Rensselaerville, NY 12147

UPS and FedEx:
Your Name
c/o the Huyck Preserve and
Biological Research Station
5052 Delaware Turnpike
Rensselaerville, NY 12147

About the town of Rensselaerville

The Biological Research Station is located 1.4 miles from Main Street Rensselaerville where you will find the Huyck Preserve Visitors Center, the Rensselaerville Library, the Hilltown Cafe, and the Palmer House. The Hilltown Cafe is a diner (approx. \$10/meal) open daily for breakfast and M-F for breakfast and lunch. The Palmer House (\$15-40/meal; www.palmerhousecafe.com) is open for dinner Thursday-Sunday.