TWIN FALLS RESORT STATE PARK SPECIAL INTERPRETATIVE ACTIVITIES MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND 2025

Friday May 9th

Nature Center Hours: 8:00am. – 6:00pm.
 Be sure to visit the Nature Center during business hours to pick up your Scavenger Hunt with Mom item list.

• 7:00am. "Bird Songs with Mom" Twin Oaks Trail

Celebrate the start of a special weekend in the most peaceful way surrounded by the beauty of nature and the sweet sounds of morning birdsongs. Join the Naturalist for a gentle birding walk as we explore the trails together, listening for woodpeckers, chickadees, robins, and tufted titmouse, and other early risers. Whether you are a seasoned birder or just love being outdoors with mom, this morning promises quiet moments, shared wonder, and feathered friends. Bring binoculars if you have them and don't forget your favorite mom! (Led by Tammy Cooper, Park Naturalist)

• 10:00am. "Mother Nature Walk" Horsepen Knob Trail

Take a step into serenity this Mother's Day Weekend with our "Mother" Nature Walk/Hike, a gentle morning stroll through blooming trails and peaceful woods. Together with the moms we love, we'll soak in the beauty of spring, listen to birdsongs, and enjoy the quiet magic only nature can offer. It's a perfect way to connect, reflect, and celebrate the nurturing spirit of both our moms and the great outdoors. All ages are welcome, bring your walking shoes and your sense of wonder! (Led by Caleb West, Summer Naturalist)

• 12:00pm. "Mother's Day Craft" Nature Center

Stop by the Nature Center to make a one of a kind craft, choose from a flower or a special card. There is no cost for this craft, one card or flower per person. Also be sure to glance at our whiteboard located outside the nature center for scheduled educational programs, these programs will also be listed at our front desk.

• 3:00pm. "Misty Moments with Mom" Falls Trail

Celebrate the upcoming Mother's Day with a refreshing adventure on our Misty Moments with Mom hike. We'll follow a winding trail through lush rhododendron and spring growth, leading to soothing sights and sounds of waterfalls and feeling the kiss of mist as they cascade from above. Along the way we will share quiet moments, conversation, and connection surrounded by the beauty of nature's gentle rhythm. This waterfall walk is the perfect blend of peaceful and picturesque, just like Mom. (Led by David "Bugs" Stover, Summer Naturalist, Historian, and Story Teller)

Saturday May 10th

- Nature Center Hours: 8:00am. 6:00pm.
 Be sure to visit the Nature Center during business hours to pick up your Scavenger Hunt with Mom item list.
- 10:00am. <u>"Ropes and Roots with Mom" Patio of Nature Center</u> Keeping on with our Mother's Day weekend, dig into tradition and connection with "Rope & Root with Mom", a hands-on experience in natural cordage making. Using the strong fibrous leaves of the yucca plant, we'll learn how to make rope just like Indigenous peoples and early settlers once did. As we twist, weave, and work with our hands, we will share stories and laughs in the shade of nature. It's a grounding way to bond, create something lasting, and honor both our moms, and the natural world. (Instructed by Tammy Cooper, Park Naturalist)
- 11:00am. <u>"Wading into Wonder with Mom" Poke Hollow Trail</u> Surrounded by the soft symphony of frogs, birds and breeze at our Wading into Wonder with Mom wetland walk. We'll explore a vibrant wetland habitat teeming with life, from darting dragonflies to

croaking frogs. As we visit the site we'll take in the sights, sounds, and stillness of this rich ecosystem. It's a beautiful way to slow down, reconnect, and share the wonder of nature together. (Led by Caleb West, Summer Naturalist)

• 2:00pm. "Legacy & Logs with Mom" Pioneer Farm

Step back in time this Mother's Day weekend with Legacy & Logs with Mom, a guided walk to our historic Pioneer Farm Homestead nestled in nature. We'll explore the handcrafted architecture, rich local stories, and cultural roots that shaped this treasured retreat. Whether Mom loves history, design, or just a good old story, this walk offers a warm blend of nostalgia, nature, and discovery. (Led by David "Bugs" Stover, Summer Naturalist, Historian, and Story Teller)

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9:00pm. <u>"Ghost Stories & S'mores with Mom" Campfire Circle</u> at Campground

As the sun dips low, gather 'round the fire for Ghost Stories & S'mores with mom, an evening of chills, chuckles, and marshmallow magic. We'll roast s'mores under the stars and share spooky (but family friendly) tales from local lore and beyond. Bring a blanket, your bravery, and your sweet tooth as we make memories with old stories in the flicker of firelight. (Hosting is David "Bugs" Stover, Summer Naturalist, Historian and Story Teller)

Sunday May 11th HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY

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