

Sea & Sage Audubon Society is a non-profit environmental organization dedicated to conservation, education and research of native birds and their habitat. Thanks to initial funding from the Beckman Foundation, we are pleased to loan Nature Discovery Kits to Orange County educators at no-cost. These kits are designed to supplement science presentations and allow access to materials not often available to educators. We hope that you and your students gain a greater appreciation of Orange County's wildlife.



Directions to pick up Nature Kits at Audubon House in Irvine. Kits must be picked up and returned on assigned dates between **8 a.m. and 3:45 p.m.** at Audubon House unless other arrangements have been made with the Nature Kit Coordinator Joan Olafson.

From the 405 freeway, go south on Jamboree to Michelson and turn left. At the third signal, Riparian View, turn right and continue until you see the parking lot for Audubon House on right.



Procedures

1. Bring this contract plus a \$50 deposit check (payable to *Sea & Sage Audubon*) on the specified date. Present deposit to our Audubon House staff.
2. You will be asked to print your name, phone, and address in our Check-out Book. You will also sign to accept financial responsibility for the loan of our Audubon Nature Kit. **You are agreeing to return our Nature Kit on-time with all contents present & undamaged.**
3. You may now borrow the Kit. Verify that all contents are present (use Kit Contents sheet in the Kit), and notify us within 48 hours if there is anything missing so that you will not be charged.
4. By the due date, please return:
 - * entire Nature Kit & contents
 - * a completed Evaluation Form

Answers to Your Questions

What is in a Nature Kit? Each kit contains a Teacher Resource Notebook, reference books for teachers, a research project for students, and a variety of mounted specimens, videos, audio-cassettes, posters, read-aloud books, puppets and other items.

What grade levels can use the Nature Kits? Kits are appropriate for upper elementary students, but may be adapted for younger & older students.

How soon can I borrow a Nature Kit, and for how long? We ask for one month's notice for scheduling (no short notice requests, please). Kits may be borrowed up to two weeks.

What is the fee? The loan is free (we appreciate donations!) We require a **\$50 deposit check** (payable to *Sea & Sage Audubon*) when you pick up your kit. This deposit will be returned or voided & torn up when all items are returned on-time and undamaged. You will be charged for loss or damage beyond normal wear and tear.

What is the late fee? We charge \$5 per day to ensure prompt return so kits are available for the next scheduled educator.

Confirmation Contract

To: _____

Date: _____

From: Nature Kit Coordinator
Joan Olafson
Phone (949) 673-5480

Thank you for reserving an Audubon Nature Discovery Kit with us! We are confirming your reservation for the following topic and dates:

Nature Kit topic:

- Bats
- Owls
- Songbirds & Nests
- Butterflies & Moths
- Reptiles & Amphibians

Pick-up Date:

Return (Due) Date:

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