



Critter Crates
&
More!

The Outdoor Campus-Sioux Falls
4500 S. Oxbow Ave
Sioux Falls, SD 57106
362-2777
Email: toc@state.sd.us.

Bat Crate

Books; activities; an echo-locator; a bat skeleton and 2 bat skulls.

Binoculars Box

Contains 12 pairs of binoculars with instructions for adjusting and maintenance; an activity using binoculars; information on bird shapes and several Stokes guides to bird identification.

Camera Crate

10 Canon PowerShot SX 160 IS cameras; 2 tripods available; interface cables and a card reader; activity on photo composition; a nature photography example, and a Power Point instruction for beginner, intermediate and advanced nature photographers.

Mammal Crate 1, 2 and 3

Pelts, skulls and track replicas of 10 common native species; photos of the animals in the bags; Bag B works well with the Track Sack below. We recommend a Discovery Bag for younger learners.

Fishing Crate

Contains 15 rods and reels, 3 tackle boxes and plastic Backyard Bass practice fish.

GPS Crates 1 and 2

Each crate contains: 8 Garmin eTrex GPS units; an interface cable; a Quick Start Guide; laminated copies of simplified instructions; a Cash, Stash and Swap game to give learners early success; print materials on activities and the history of the GPS

Ice Fishing Kit

20 ice fishing rods and reels; 1 ice auger; ice dippers; Polar Ice safety picks; a First Aid kit and a tackle box.

Prairie Grass Bag

Several posters that show cross sections of soil, its colors and the root systems of prairie plants; photos of native prairie flowers; a roll-up of a leafy spurge root system; 24 laminated samples of prairie grasses; print material on noxious weeds.

Snowshoe Crates

2 Group Crates containing 15 to 20 pairs of snowshoes in youth, medium and adult sizes; 3 Family Crates of 4 youth pairs and 4 adult pairs. Crates may be used when the snow cover is at least 3 inches deep. Group crates are very large and will not fit in compact cars.

Track Sack

Contains track molds for the 11 animals in Discovery Bag B to be used with Model Magic or Plaster of Paris; 11 large track stamps of the native species in the bag; 18 small track stamps of 5 native and 13 exotic animals; 16 rubbing plates of animal tracks; activity suggestions.

Tree Trunk

Activities from Project Learning Tree; Mystery Tree Challenge with 14 dichotomous keys to learn to identify trees; books, field guides and tree cookies; What Leaf Is This? activity and a video from Eyewitness Explorers.

THE OUTDOOR CAMPUS CRITTER CRATE USE POLICY

For photos of crates, go to www.outdoorcampus.org

Click on "Education Programs," "Critter Crates"

CRITTER CRATES AND ACTIVITY CRATES

- | | |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bat Crate | <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Fishing Crate* |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Binoculars Box* | <input type="checkbox"/> Land Navigation (GPS) Crates I & II |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Camera Crate* | <input type="checkbox"/> Snow Shoe Crates |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Mammal Crate 1, 2, and 3 | <input type="checkbox"/> Track Sack |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fishing Crate* | <input type="checkbox"/> Tree Trunk |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Prairie Grass Bag | |

(*Must be picked up at and returned to The Outdoor Campus Sioux Falls building, not shipped.)

- ❖ Requires a \$75 check or money order reservation deposit to The Outdoor Campus before sending.
- ❖ Deposit check will be shredded, or returned upon request, when crate is returned with all contents in good condition.
- ❖ Reserve early. Spring and fall months are heavily booked.
- ❖ Any GFP employee can use a crate without paying the deposit.

SNOWSHOE CRATES*

(Must have 3 inches of snow on the ground before release)

2 Group Crates of 17 pairs each 3 Family Crates of 8 pairs each

- ❖ Must be picked up, not mailed
- ❖ Can be reserved by any adult for a period of one week
- ❖ TOC needs a \$75 deposit before the crate will be released

If you would like to see the inventory sheet for any of the crates listed above, call 362-2777 or email toc@state.sd.us. They will be glad to send what you need or to answer any questions about Critter Crate contents or use.