Squam Lakes Natural Science Center Fast Facts:

Founded: 1966

Size: 210 acres of fields, forests, and wetlands

Mission: The mission of Squam Lakes Natural Science Center is to advance understanding of ecology by exploring New Hampshire’s natural world.

Staff: 24 full time year-round; 10 part-time, 26 seasonal

Volunteers: 260 volunteers giving over 2,711 hours in 2021

Program Attendance: Over 15,000 guests served through school field trips, special events, and other programs at the Science Center

Trail Attendance: More than 64,000 in 2021

Cruise Passengers: More than 7,200 in 2021

Programs: Home of Blue Heron School – New Hampshire’s first nature-based Montessori school; field trips (to the Science Center or bringing live animals to a school); live animal outreach programs; summer Guided Discoveries; Nature Tours; Homeschool Programs; Group Tours; Birthdays

Website: www.nhnature.org

Trail Hours: May 1 - November 1, 9:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. (last trail admission at 3:30 p.m.)


Exhibit Animals: White-footed mouse, mink, painted turtle, spotted turtle, musk turtle, various fish and amphibians, coyote, red fox, gray fox, fisher, bobcat, mountain lion, white-tailed deer, river otter, and black bear, Broad-winged Hawk, Bittern, Black-crowned Night Heron, American Kestrel, Bald Eagle, Great Horned Owl, Northern Goshawk, Red-shouldered Hawk, Red-tailed Hawk, Turkey Vulture.

Lake Cruises: May through October

Discover Squam; Cruise with a Naturalist; Bald Eagle Adventure; Loon Cruise; private charters