



Mingo National Wildlife Refuge

Swamp Saturdays at Mingo NWR

March 22, 2014 - Missouri's Bluebirds (10 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.)

Come out to Mingo to learn more about Missouri's State Bird, the bluebird. Following a brief presentation, participants will get the opportunity to build their own bluebird house. Pre-registration is required for the program. To sign up call 573-222-3589.

April 12, 2014 - Wildflower Walk (10 a.m. - 11 a.m.)

Spring is a time when new plant life abounds at Mingo National Wildlife Refuge. Join a refuge ranger for a guided hike looking at the wildflowers on the refuge. Participants will meet at the Mingo Maintenance Shop located off Hwy 51.

May 10, 2014 - Beginners Bird Walk (7 a.m. - 9 a.m.)



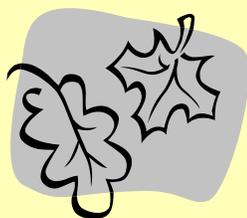
Join a refuge ranger to take part in a beginners bird walk. Participants will get to learn tips on identifying birds on the refuge. The bird walk is in recognition of International Migratory Bird Day. Participants will meet at the parking lot for Swampwalk Nature Trail.

June 7, 2014 - Family Fishing Day (9 a.m. - 12 p.m.)

Discover the wonders of fishing with Mingo staff members and volunteers. Come out with your family to enjoy a morning of fishing at the Binford Unit. The fishing event coincides with Missouri's Free Fishing Day. Poles will be available for loan throughout the event and worms will be provided for bait. The Mingo Swamp Friends Group will give out fishing related prizes at the end of the event.



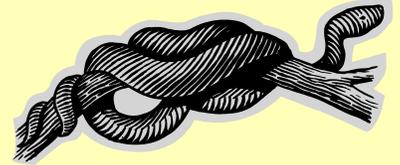
July 12, 2014 - Tree Identification (9 a.m. - 10 a.m.)



Mingo National Wildlife Refuge provides host to a tremendous diversity of tree species. The tree species vary based on the habitat of the refuge. The tree species in the upland hills are quite different to the tree species found in the bottomland forests. To learn more about the trees of Mingo and to get help with identification, join a refuge ranger for a tree identification hike. Participants will meet at the parking lot for the Swampwalk Nature Trail.

August 16, 2014 - Snakes Alive (10 a.m. - 11 a.m.)

Join a refuge ranger in learning about the tremendous diversity of snakes that can be found at Mingo National Wildlife Refuge. Participants will also get the opportunity to handle and touch live snakes if they desire. The program will take place at the Mingo Visitor Center.



September 27, 2014 - Pilot Knob NWR Hike

Get a rare chance to discover one of Mingo's Satellite Refuges by taking a hike at Pilot Knob National Wildlife Refuge. This 90 acre refuge located at the top of Pilot Knob Mountain is typically closed to the public to protect the endangered Indiana bat. Refuge staff will be leading guided hikes throughout the day in recognition of National Public Lands Day. The hikes also coincides with the Civil War Battle of Pilot Knob reenactment that takes place at the nearby Fort Davidson State Historic Site. Pilot Knob Refuge is located in Arcadia Valley. Pre-registration is required at 573-222-3589.

October 25, 2014 - Mingo River Paddle Ride (8 a.m. - 12 p.m.)



Enjoy a guided paddle ride down the Mingo River. A limited number of canoes and kayaks will be available for use for the paddle ride. Participants are welcome to bring their own canoe, kayak or life jacket if they desire to open room up for more participants. Pre-registration is required. To sign-up call 573-222-3589.

Nov. 17, 2012 - Wonderful Waterfowl (8 a.m.- 10 a.m.)

Discover the tremendous diversity of waterfowl at Mingo National Wildlife Refuge. Join a refuge ranger in learning about the waterfowl that can be seen at Mingo. Following the presentation, participants can join the refuge ranger in observing waterfowl out on the refuge. Spotting scopes and binoculars will be available for use.



All programs are free to the public. Programs may be subject to change based on weather and refuge conditions. Specific locations for programs will be determined closer to the actual date and will be announced on our refuge website and on Facebook.

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