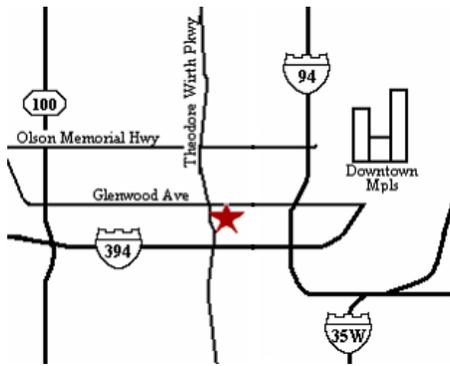


The Garden

The Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden and Bird Sanctuary is a spectacular 15-acre garden in Minneapolis with trails meandering through woodlands, wetlands and oak savannas. This natural setting showcases over 500 plant species and 140 migratory birds.

Getting to the Garden

The Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden is located in northwest Minneapolis. It can be reached by several major highways. Free and convenient parking is available for school buses.



To Schedule a Program or Workshop

Contact the Program Coordinator

Phone: 612-499-9244

Email: ebwg@minneapolisparks.org

Eloise Butler Wildflower
& Bird Sanctuary
3800 Bryant Ave South
Minneapolis, MN 55409

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Cub Scout & Boy Scout Programs

Scheduling a Program

Program Availability

The Garden is open from April 1st to October 15th. Programs are available 7 days a week. We can accommodate groups up to 20, groups of 20 or more are scheduled based on current staffing availability .

Group Size

The Garden requires a minimum of 8 participants to schedule a program. To ensure the best experience, 1 naturalist is scheduled for every 10 participants.

Cost

The cost is \$5.00 per participant per hour and a half. Chaperones 2 for every 10 nature explores are free of charge. There is a minimum fee of \$40 per program.

The Naturalists

Our naturalists have a combination of 20 years experience teaching. It is no exaggeration to say these experts bring their passion and excitement into the Garden every day.

Scheduling Your Group

Programs are 1.5 hours long. All programs can be adapted to fit the needs of your troop. **Please schedule your visit at least two weeks in advance.**

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Cub Scout Programs

Quaking Bog Tromp—1.5 hour

Discover a true quaking bog right here in the city! Learn the characteristics of a wetland and how bogs are formed. Feel sphagnum moss, watch water striders, walk across the floating bridge, and see carnivorous plants all within our Quaking Bog!

Birding 101— 1.5 hours

Come to the Garden to learn a new hobby – bird watching! Learn how to use binoculars, how to spot birds and how to identify them through sight and sound. Our naturalist will teach you the tricks of the trade and start you off on your birding adventures!

Sensory Hike— 1.5 hours

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Boy Scout Workshops

These badge workshops can be scheduled as half day events or over a series of scheduled programs. The fee for these workshops is **\$10/scout** for a **2 to 2.5 hour** long program with a minimum payment of \$50 per program.

Nature of the Eloise Butler Wildflower Garden— 2 to 2.5 hours

During your visit to the Garden learn about the connections plants and animals have and our own connections to nature. Learn to identify native plants and even a few rare ones! Use binoculars to locate some of the over 100 bird species that live in and visit our Garden.

Bring: snack , field guides, binoculars (optional), clipboards (optional)

Meets the requirements of the Nature Badge: 1, 2, 3, 4a, 4g and Gardening Badge: 4

Birding at the Garden— 2 to 2.5 hours

Want to learn how to use binoculars? Curious about that bird call you hear every day? Come out to the Garden and learn our native birds as well as the migrating visitors!

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Meets the requirements of the Bird Study Badge: 3, 4, 5, 7a

