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# 2 NIGHT CAMP PACKAGE SELECTION

Our **3-day/2-night camp** packages include full activity program and facilitation by trained staff for the afternoon on day of arrival, full second day (between 9am and 5pm), and morning on day of departure. We even provide an activity kit with a range of evening activities for all to enjoy!

Package Departure & Arrival Times:

Day 1 - arrive between noon and 1pm | Day 3 - depart approximately 1:30pm

We will endeavor to accommodate other times and are happy to adjust the program - please indicate your preferred times below. If you wish to add additional activities please have a chat with our team.

**SCHOOL NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ARRIVAL DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **DEPARTURE DATE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**PACKAGE SELECTION + ADD ONS:** \_\_\_\_\_

(for 'choose your own adventure', don't forget to make activity selections on the following page)

**ORGANISER NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_ **MOBILE NUMBER:** \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPECTED NUMBERS:** Students \_\_\_\_\_ Adults \_\_\_\_\_

**EXPECTED ARRIVAL & DEPARTURE TIMES:** Arrival \_\_\_\_\_ Departure \_\_\_\_\_

To make your camp preparation as easy as possible, we have developed a range of outcome-based 2-night/3-day activity packages so you can simply select a great experience for your group. Of course if you'd like to 'choose your own adventure' and tailor a package of a different duration or with different inclusions, we'd love to work with you on that!

Settle in, have a read through the package and activity options, complete your selection (above) and get this back as soon as possible via email ([info@roonka.org.au](mailto:info@roonka.org.au)) so we can prepare your itinerary.

## LIVING IN NATURE PACKAGE

(Recommended years R-10)

Students will explore the rich history and environment that Roonka has to offer. These activities will have your students getting hands-on in the world around them! Think: investigating bug life and water quality in our onsite billabong, learning to cook on an open fire, how to set up a campsite and navigate in the world around them.

With a balance of educationally focused and "just for fun" activities, our outdoor classroom is the perfect setting for students to learn how to live in nature. Activities include:

FISHING, YABBYING & SHRIMP CATCHING | CAMPCRAFT | BRIDGE BUILDING | CAMPFIRE COOKING (or lightweight cooking during fire danger season) | **PLUS...**

**YEARS 2-6:** BUG BUSTERS | WEB OF LIFE | BOOMERANG CRAFT | ECHIDNA TRAIL & NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT | ORIENTEERING (years 3-6) PHOTO HUNT (years R-2)

**YEARS 7+:** RIVER MURRAY ECOLOGY | FUR, FEATHERS AND FEED | MANDALA ART | GEOCACHING



**Roonka**  
River Adventure Park

## WET & WILD PACKAGE

(Recommended years 3-10 for terms 1 and 4)

Looking for a camp filled with water, challenge and adventure? Look no further! The Wet & Wild activity package will have students swinging, sliding, swimming and climbing while also having the opportunity to learn new skills and gain knowledge about the area.

It isn't all fun and games – at every turn these activities will stretch their limits, challenge their comfort zone, and test their teamwork.... but we guarantee they'll love every minute of it! Activities include:

WATER ADVENTURES | FISHING, YABBYING AND SHRIMP CATCHING | WET & WILD RELAY | RAFT BUILDING | TEAM CHALLENGES | **PLUS...**

**YEARS 3-6:** INTRODUCTION TO PADDELING | BUG BUSTERS | BOULDERING AND GAGA BALL

**YEARS 7+:** KAYAKING ADVENTURE | RIVER MURRAY ECOLOGY | LOW ROPES

## SURVIVAL PACKAGE

(Recommended years 5-10)

With everything from shelter building in the scrub and pioneering construction by the creek, to lighting fires with minimal equipment and cooking on lightweight stoves, this program has it all for an active, adventurous bunch of kids!

We'll take them right back to basics with a program that builds sequentially from fundamental to more advanced survival skills. All of the activities in this package are designed to facilitate team building, boost group morale, and of course, deliver a whole lot of fun with a healthy dose of challenge! Activities include:

SURVIVOR | CAMPCRAFT | LIGHTWEIGHT COOKING | ORIENTEERING & COMPASS NAVIGATION | TEAM CHALLENGES | LOW ROPES | WEB OF LIFE | RAFT BUILDING (terms 1 and 4) or BRIDGE BUILDING (terms 2 and 3)

## CHOOSE YOUR OWN ADVENTURE

(Recommended all ages)

Choose from a variety of activities led by our team of experienced Activity Facilitators. Each activity session duration is 1.5 hours unless indicated. You can expect to fit in **eight to ten activities** on a 2-night/3-day camp, depending on duration of selected sessions.

Please number all of the activities below (starting from 1 being most preferred) and we will develop an educational, hands-on and most importantly fun program tailored to your group and the time that you are spending with us.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> BOOMERANG CRAFT        | <input type="checkbox"/> FUR, FEATHERS & FEED   | <input type="checkbox"/> RAFT BUILDING        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BOULDERING & GAGA BALL | <input type="checkbox"/> GEOCACHING             | <input type="checkbox"/> RIVER MURRAY ECOLOGY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BRIDGE BUILDING        | <input type="checkbox"/> LIGHTWEIGHT COOKING    | <input type="checkbox"/> SURVIVOR             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUG BUSTERS            | <input type="checkbox"/> LOW ROPES              | <input type="checkbox"/> TEAM CHALLENGES      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CAMP CRAFT             | <input type="checkbox"/> MANDALA ART            | <input type="checkbox"/> WATER ADVENTURES     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CAMPFIRE COOKING       | <input type="checkbox"/> ORIENTEERING (45 MINS) | <input type="checkbox"/> WEB OF LIFE          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> ECHIDNA TRAIL (45MIN)  | <input type="checkbox"/> ORIEN & COMPASS NAV    | <input type="checkbox"/> WET & WILD RELAY     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FISH, YABBY & SHRIMP   | <input type="checkbox"/> PHOTO HUNT (45MIN)     |   |

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# DETAILED ACTIVITY DESCRIPTIONS

Each of our activities has a recommended age range however, we are able to tailor our programs to suit a variety of ages – you are welcome to have a chat with us to find out how we can adjust our programs to your needs. Each activity session duration is 1.5 hours unless indicated.

**Please note:** that activities marked with **(W)** are water-based activities and incur an **additional fee** per student from the standard activity package pricing. This includes the hire of a life jacket (PFD) which must be worn by all participants.

**BOOMERANG CRAFT** will teach students about the traditional custodians of the lands on which Roonka stands, focussing on the significance of art in culture and dreaming. Students will be guided in the art of dot-painting, and will produce works on a decorative boomerang to take home. **(Recommended yrs 3-6)**

**BOULDERING AND GAGA BALL** are located at the southern end of the property. Boulderling is great fun and safe introduction to rock climbing that will have students reaching new heights, taking on bouldering challenges, and playing our crowd-favourite “cliffhanger” game. Gaga ball is always a blast with a variety of games. Students, duck, dive and work together for their team to achieve victory in the arena. **(Recommended yrs 3-9)**

**BRIDGE BUILDING** will have groups designing and constructing their very own bridges to weave their way through the trees. Once construction is complete, groups will test their bridges for stability and strength and to ensure the bridge is safe enough for the group to use before completing a series of tasks taking them back and forth along their bridges. **(Recommended yrs 7-12)**

**BUG BUSTERS** is a ponding experience based around our billabong and the edge of the mighty Murray River. This hands-on program will have students collecting and investigating aquatic macro-invertebrates in their natural habitats while learning about the importance of good water quality, what makes a healthy ecosystem, and the role water testing plays. **(Recommended yrs R-6)**

**CAMP CRAFT** teaches the art of thriving in the great outdoors, from pitching tents in our natural bushland setting to lighting campfires (outside fire danger season) and selecting the perfect campsite. **(Recommended yrs 3-6)**

**CAMPFIRE COOKING** teaches students how to prepare and cook simple meals on a fire. Students will learn about and use several different methods to cook some basic dishes on the fire. Please note that this activity does not run during fire danger season (usually mid-November to mid-April). **(Recommended yrs 5-12)**

**ECHIDNA TRAIL AND NATURE SCAVENGER HUNT (45 min session)** is a great activity for younger groups as it allows them to explore the world around them searching for different items while learning a little bit more about the environment around Roonka. **(Recommended yrs R-6)**

**FISHING, YABBYING AND SHRIMP CATCHING** involves a great amount of skill. Groups will learn about the fish species found in the Murray River along with how to set up their nets and rods for an afternoon (or morning) of fishing on the banks of Roonka. **(Recommended yrs 4-10)**

**FUR, FEATHERS AND FEED** will engage students in the world of flora and fauna and Riverland biodiversity as we investigate a number of species found around Roonka. Students will have the opportunity to learn a little about animal behavior as well as how to identify different flora species. A great activity for those senior students who love animals and plants. **(Recommended yrs 7-12)**

**GEOCACHING** will have groups using GPS equipment and basic map reading skills to navigate their way around the property. Junior groups will be sent off in search of different locations to find the answers to questions about the property. Senior groups will search for caches hidden in all kinds of locations to help decode a final puzzle. This is a great challenge for groups and a chance to learn about how technology can assist us in navigation. **(Recommended yrs 3-10)**

**INTRODUCTION TO PADDLING (W)** will allow younger students to get familiar with how to paddle our sit-on-top kayaks under the watchful eye of our qualified staff. Students will be taught how to maneuver their boats in the safe and calm environment of our billabong and have the opportunity to enjoy some paddle games and relays to up the fun! **(Recommended yrs R-6)**

**KAYAKING ADVENTURE (W)** is for the big kids. We will jump in our touring kayaks (doubles and singles) and head for a paddle out on the Mighty Murray. A trip around Reedy Island is always on the cards and if the conditions are right we may head to the Roonka Conservation Park and Cumbunga Creek. Students will get to refine their paddling skills under our staff's guidance all while taking a different view of the world from their boat. **(Recommended yrs 7-12)**

**LIGHTWEIGHT COOKING** teaches the art of 'light weight' cooking using Trangia stoves. We'll lead your group through the whole process, from using the equipment safely to lighting stoves and cooking their own tasty hot meal! **(Recommended yrs 4-9)**

**LOW ROPES** allows students to explore the world of balance and teamwork while not venturing too far from the ground. It will teach students about supporting teammates and keeping each other safe while challenging them both individually and as a team. **(Recommended yrs 5-12)**

**MANDALA ART** takes students through the history and significance of Mandalas in cultures throughout the world. Students will be guided to create their own works on a small canvas to take home. **(Recommended yrs 5-9)**

**ORIENTEERING (45 min session)** teaches basic map reading and navigational skills. Students will work in small teams to navigate their way around our permanent orienteering course on the property in search of designated checkpoints. **(Recommended yrs 3-6)**

**ORIENTEERING & COMPASS NAVIGATION** not only teaches basic map reading and navigational skills. but we then take it a step further, introducing a compass to the mix. After completing one of our permanent courses in their small team students will be taught about bearings and have the opportunity to put their newfound skills to the test completing a compass bearing course. **(Recommended yrs 5-12)**

**PHOTO HUNT (45 min session)** encourages students to embrace their inner detective and use basic map reading and navigational skills to navigate their way around the property to match the photos with the correct checkpoints. Please note that this is a 45min session. **(Recommended yrs 2-6)**

**RAFT BUILDING (W)** will have groups split into small teams to design and build their very own raft to paddle across our billabong. Junior students will get a pre-built frame to help them along while Senior students will have to build their frame from scratch. This activity will test the group's design, construction and teamwork skills while getting out on the water and competing against other teams in a series of challenges. **(Recommended yrs 4-12)**



**RIVER MURRAY ECOLOGY** leads on from bug busters and is perfect for older groups. Not only do we explore the world of macro invertebrates but also take a more in depth look at the water quality here at Roonka. Allowing us to look at the correlations between the two as well as other biotic and abiotic factors that impact our waterways. **(Recommended yrs 7-12)**

**SURVIVOR** teaches students real-life survival skills, including fire-lighting, water purification, and shelter-building, all in our natural bush setting making use of the environment around you and every day items. **(Recommended yrs 5-10)**

**TEAM CHALLENGES** involves a series of mental and physical challenges designed to bring groups together, while honing communication and teamwork skills to work towards a common goal. It is a great activity for students of all ages and students with a diverse number of challenges on offer. **(Recommended yrs 3-12)**

**WATER ADVENTURERS (W)** is a perfect way to finish off the day. Students will fly over our billabong on the zipline, zoom down the waterslide and go for a swim in the billabong or river under the watchful eye of our qualified staff. This can be run as a 1.5 hr session or a 45min session. (Suitable for all ages, yrs R-4 restricted to the billabong only)

**WEB OF LIFE** lets groups explore Roonka and facilitates student learning about predator and prey relationships in a fun and engaging way through playing a variety of games around the site. **(Recommended yrs 3-8)**

**WET AND WILD RELAY (W)** will have groups soaked from head to toe as they battle it out to complete several relay style challenges in small teams. It is a great activity for the end of the day or just to cool off. **(Suitable for all ages)**

## Why not add on...

Want something a little different for your group? We have relationships with some local providers who offer some great experiences. If you are interested in one of the below experiences please reach out to us for pricing and options

**NGUAT NGAUT CONSERVATION PARK** is a culturally and historically significant place and was once home to the traditional landowners, the Nganguraku people. The Mannum Aboriginal Community Association offer a range of tours that allow you to learn about the Nganguraku people and their traditions, dreamings and oral histories as well as marvel at the rock art engraved into the limestone walls of the rock shelter amongst other things. **(Recommended yrs 4-12)**

**WILDWOOD PARK SANCTUARY** is an animal rescue and rehabilitation center that helps look after our local wildlife. They have a range of native animals that they take care of and they love sharing their passion and knowledge with groups along with the occasional furry friend cuddle or two. **(Recommended yrs 4-12)**