



Northwest Trek
Wildlife Park

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ATTENTION POKÉMON TRAINERS

NORTHWEST TREK WILDLIFE PARK HAS A “CATCHY” DEAL FOR YOU

Visit on PokéTrek Days - Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons in August - for half-off general admission and the chance to catch freshly lured Pokémon around some 20 PokéStops

POKÉTREK DAYS AT NORTHWEST TREK WILDLIFE PARK

What: Half-off general admission at Northwest Trek Wildlife Park on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons in August for Pokémon GO Trainers who want to play their favorite online game in a unique, forested setting.

When: 4 to 6 p.m. Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays in August. (Last admission is at 6, but players can remain in the wildlife park until 7:30 p.m.)

What's included: Admission to the central area of Northwest Trek, where staff members will drop lures in an attempt to attract more Pokémon for players to catch. Visitors also can walk forested pathways to see bears, bobcats, Canada lynx, wolves, foxes, beavers and other animals.

Not included: This special admission does not include the narrated tram tour of the wildlife park's Free-Roaming Area.

Required: Pokémon GO players must show their phone or tablet with the correct app to qualify for the discounted admission price.

Every person who receives the discount must have a phone or tablet with the correct app to qualify for the discount.

All players 12 and younger must be accompanied by an adult.

More information:
www.nwtrek.org/poketrek

Eatonville, Wash. – Visitors to Northwest Trek Wildlife Park are accustomed to seeing wolves, bears, bobcats, beavers and other animals.

But on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons in August, the big lures at Northwest Trek are the opportunity to play Pokémon GO in a unique setting at a bargain price – half off general admission – AND fill up a Pokédex with a passel of Pokémon.

The wildlife park is alive with virtual creatures; there are more than 20 Pokéstops and two game Gyms on the grounds.

And during Pokétrek Days, Northwest Trek staff members will walk around the park's central area, dropping lures to help Pokémon GO Trainers catch even more of the elusive electronic “animals” like Nidoran, which looks like a cartoonish stegosaurus and has barbs that secrete a powerful poison (the female is blue; the male is purple); Bellsprout, a flowery Pokémon with a lily-shaped head; Seaking, a fish with a unicorn-like horn that is found near water; Jigglypuff, a pinkish, balloon-like virtual figure; and Clefairy, a light-pinkish imp with brown-tinged ears.

Each of these is a Pokémon, or pocket monster, recently sighted at Northwest Trek.

And who knows which of the other 151 Pokémon will be lured to the plethora of Pokéstops at Northwest Trek.

Pokétrek hours are 4 to 6 p.m., with the last entry into the wildlife park at 6. However, visitors have until 7:30 p.m. to enjoy Northwest Trek's animals in natural exhibits and walk the paved nature trails.

The special promotion does not include the narrated tram tour of the Free-Roaming Area. It may not be combined with any coupons or other discounts.

Not all Northwest Trek staff members are gaming experts, but they do have a big piece of advice for those playing the

latest mobile app craze that has captivated members of Generations X, Y and Z as well as their Baby Boomer parents and grandparents: Make tracks to Northwest Trek on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons for a good dose of nature and the adventure of capturing Pokémon.

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Northwest Trek, accredited by the Association of Zoos & Aquariums, is a 725-acre zoological park dedicated to conservation, education and recreation by displaying, interpreting and researching native Northwest wildlife and their natural habitats. The wildlife park, a facility of Metro Parks Tacoma, is located 35 miles southeast of Tacoma off State Highway 161.

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