

Junior Ranger Night Explorers



The National Park Service has developed a Junior Ranger Night Explorer program, encouraging young park visitors to explore the dark side of their national parks.

Children can learn how to find the North Star, write their own creative mythology about the constellations, track the phases of the moon, learn about stars and galaxies, and use all their senses to explore the night environment at a national park.

[Junior Ranger Night Explorer Book](#) [4MB PDF]

This book is free and available in a number of national parks, or you can download and print your own copy. After completing the activities, there are three ways to receive your Junior Ranger Night Explorer patch:

- Return completed booklets to a ranger at a participating park.
- Send completed booklets to:
National Park Service
Natural Sounds Night Skies Division
1201 Oakridge Drive
Fort Collins, CO 80525
- Mail or drop off completed book to the Maria Mitchell Association. We will give out badges to the first 15 children that complete the book.