



Night Marine Ecology Field Trip

Where to meet

We meet at the Maria Mitchell Aquarium (28 Washington St.). The program starts at 9pm and runs until 10:00.

What to bring

Please wear a sweatshirt and shoes that you do not mind getting sandy or wet. If you have a flashlight or headlamp, feel free to bring it! We have a limited number of lights to lend out and there are also some lanterns that light the area for the program. We encourage everyone to wade in the water on this program but ask that appropriate footwear is used. Wear your bare feet at your own risk.

What to expect

Creatures close to Nantucket's beaches change between the day and night. At night, larger fish come closer to shore, crabs and other animals are more active, and at certain times of year, you can see bioluminescent animals. This is a completely different experience than our day time Marine Ecology Field Trip. The program starts at the Aquarium observing how the animals behave differently at night and then we move to the beach out back to capture animals with a large seine net for identification.

If you love ocean life, consider obtaining a copy of *A Field Guide to the Marine Life of Nantucket* from the Aquarium or Museum gift shop. It gives you the power to identify all the common creatures on Nantucket beaches and in the harbor.

We look forward to meeting you soon!

Sincerely,

The Maria Mitchell Association

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