CEER 2014 FIELD TRIP: Lafitte Swamp Tour

Want to experience Louisiana’s unique swamp environment without getting your feet wet? Then this is the field trip for you. You’ll be up close and personal with the flora and fauna of the Barataria Preserve of the Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve directly south of New Orleans—and yes, this is where the famed buccaneer Jean Lafitte headquartered some of his most nefarious enterprises. You’ll get a guided tour over boardwalk and dirt trails that wind through the preserve and get a taste of Louisiana’s wild wetlands with 20,000 acres of bayous, swamps, marshes, forests, alligators, and more than 300 species of birds.

LOCATION: Jean Lafitte National Historical Park and Preserve

ROUTE: Cross Crescent City Connection, West Bank Expressway to Hwy 45 to Park

ROUTE LENGTH: 16 miles (hotel to Park)

DEPART/RETURN: Depart hotel at 9 a.m. – Arrive back at hotel at Noon

TRAVEL TIME TO SITE: 1 hour (30 minutes each way)

TIME ON SITE: 2 hours

TOTAL TRIP TIME: 3 hours

FIELD TRIP CAPTAIN: TBD

SITE GUIDE: Park Service to provide an on-site guide

OTHER: Field Trip Captain supplies water and ice, handouts

MAXIMUM ATTENDANCE: 50 PEOPLE

DEADLINE TO REGISTER: June 15 or until Trip is Full

COST TO PARTICIPATE: $50.00