

# Slough Etiquette



## Respect ALL Slough Life

Every creature living in this Preserve is protected. Please visit in a respectful manner.

- Do not harass wildlife with loud noises or objects like laser pointers and selfie sticks.
- Do not pick leaves or flowers off plants.
- No fishing or pets allowed.



## Be as Quiet as Possible

We are more likely to see wildlife when we walk and talk quietly. Try standing or sitting still for several minutes to notice natural sights and sounds.

- Jogging, powerwalking, biking, and skating are NOT allowed on the boardwalk.



## Picnic in Designated Areas

Reduce litter in the Slough by enjoying your snack at a picnic table. Choose from tables under the Great Blue Heron Pavilion or near the Rock & Stroll Garden.

- No alcohol or grilling. Smoking and consuming food and drink (other than water) are NOT allowed on the boardwalk or in the Interpretive Center.

## Respect Fellow Visitors



- Visitors come to the Slough for a relaxing nature experience. Be aware of the presence of fellow visitors.
- Limit cell phone conversations to emergencies only. Do not play music others can hear.

## Refrain from Feeding Wildlife



- Animals living in the Slough can feed themselves. Observe squirrels gathering acorns or wading birds probing for food.
- Do not share your food with wildlife. This can make them sick or make them a danger to future visitors.

## Leave No Trace

- Take time to secure your belongings before entering the boardwalk. Make sure items such as cell phones, cameras, and water bottles are secure so they will not fall into the Slough.
- Do not climb down from the boardwalk for any reason at any time.

