



2 DAY 1 NIGHT DISCOVER MARINELAB

DAY	TIME	ACTIVITY
1	1:00 PM	Arrive, orientation This is a facility orientation so that you will know how to get around the MarineLab campus, and includes a review of the safety and behavioral guidelines for MarineLab, such as always wearing shoes in the labs.
	2:00 PM	Swim test This short swim is mostly a demonstration of your comfort level in the water. Students dog paddle or sidestroke, in buddy pairs, for a short distance. If the student is uncomfortable or unable to swim, a ski vest will be provided. It allows our staff to determine who might need extra help and give that child extra attention.
	3:00 PM	FIELD TRIP: Seagrass & Mangrove ecology In this snorkeling field trip, students will explore the seagrass beds and amazing life that lives under and on the mangroves! Instructors will collect algae, seagrass, and small invertebrates for the students to look at back on the boat. The boat returns to the dock at 5:00 PM.
	6:30 PM	Supper - after your warm soapy shower!
	7:30 PM	FIELD TRIP: Plankton tow A nighttime boat ride out into Largo Sound to tow for plankton! Bioluminescence is discussed and demonstrated by the presence of Noctiluca.
	8:45 PM	DISCUSSION: Coral reef ecology This is an instructor-led discussion on coral reef biology and the requirements for a health coral reef.
2	8:00 AM	Breakfast
	9:00 AM	FIELD TRIP: Coral reef ecology A snorkeling trip to two different destinations on the coral reef tract. Students will get to observe corals, sea fans, sea rods, and a myriad of fish and invertebrates that all call the reef home. It's like being INSIDE the aquarium!
	12:00 PM	Depart after your field trip - no lunch

Cost: **\$145 per person.** Includes supper and breakfast, all instruction, field trips, a log book to record your experiences and snorkel gear. Lunch on either day is not included. **Must be 9 and up.**