

GREAT FOX ISLAND

Built in 1929 as a hunting and fishing lodge, the center is surrounded by the waters of Tangier and Pocomoke Sounds in Virginia. Fox Island's location, history, and simplicity make it truly magical.



THE LODGE

- The center has Clivus Multrum composting toilets that use no water or chemicals.
- Solar panels provide electricity for a handful of lights, a refrigerator, and the “gray water” system. Visitors should bring a flashlight.
- The lodge has a natural heating and cooling system. It uses a wood stove for warmth in common areas in the cooler months, and lots of windows for cool breezes in warmer weather.
- A 70-ft. well provides water for washing hands and dishes, but **students will NOT be showering while at Fox.**
- Maximum capacity is 20 people (includes students and chaperones). There are seven rooms: two quads, four triples, and a double.
- Boats include 9 canoes, a 24-ft. Carolina skiff, and the *Jenny S*, a 40-ft. jet-drive field investigation boat.

FIELD EXPERIENCE CONCEPTS

BEFORE THE TRIP: Prepare students for the remote conditions of the island, the conservation techniques they will practice, and expected behavior. Remind them there are no showers. *Inform students that they are **not to bring** cell phones, iPods, CD players, DVD players, or other electronics of any kind.*

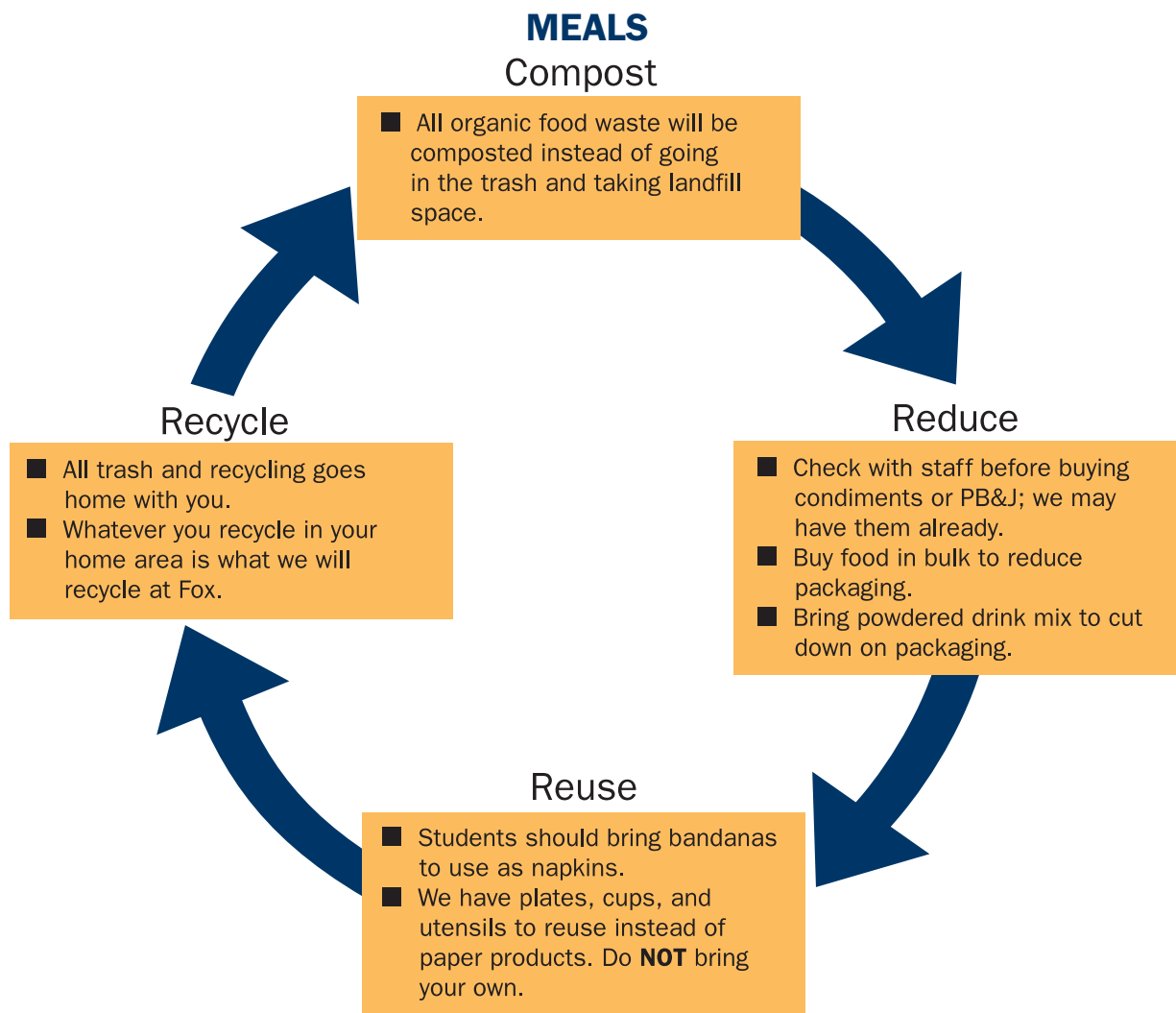
FIELD EXPERIENCE: CBF field staff will work with you during the pre-trip call to tailor your experience so that it complements your classroom content. The following are examples of sample topics:

- History and folklore
- Underwater grasses
- Crabbing, fishing, and oystering
- Salt marsh exploration
- Field journals and naturalist news
- Weather watch

ACTION PROJECT: Your trip to Fox is intended to inspire students to take action when you return home. Please help facilitate restoration and/or leadership projects to help Save the Bay!



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Meal preparation is a group effort. Teacher and chaperone leadership is required for the cooking and clean up of each meal in addition to behavior management of the remainder of the group.

SAMPLE FIELD TRIP ITINERARY

DAY 1

1:30 Arrive at Fox Island, intro and safety review
 Fisheries Investigation
Set Crab Pots
Dredge for Oysters
 Sunset Dinner, evening journal, night hike, stories

DAY 2

Sunrise Breakfast
 Morning Field investigations
SAV's—scraping
Marsh/Tidal Wetland
 Mid-day Lunch
 Field investigations
Canoe/Water Chemistry/Marsh
 Sunset Dinner, evening journal, oral history

DAY 3

Sunrise Breakfast
 Proggin' (Island history exploration)
 Pack up and clean-up
 11:30-12 Wrap-up meeting and depart

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