Are you curious about the plants, animals, and habitats around you? Explore the coast with the Winyah Master Naturalist Course being offered this fall as a part of the South Carolina Master Naturalist Program. During this 12-week course, we will practice identification skills, learn ecological concepts, discuss the natural history of the habitats we visit, examine human impacts on the environment, and develop the skills necessary to be active volunteer stewards in the community. Field trip sites include the North Inlet–Winyah Bay National Estuarine Research Reserve, Hobcaw Barony, Huntington Beach State Park, Brookgreen Gardens, the Waccamaw Wildlife Refuge, and other local areas of interest. Participants completing the course and 30 hours of approved volunteer work will receive a Master Naturalist certification and will be eligible to join a local chapter and participate in advanced volunteer training courses.

**Classes** will be held on **Mondays**, typically from **9 AM to 4 PM**, although times may vary depending on field trip activities.

**The Course Fee** ($600) includes the Master Naturalist Training Manual, the Winyah Naturalist Course Book, 5 field guides, a write in the rain notebook, hand lens, entrance fees to field trip sites*, and a resource CD.

**To Register** for the course, go to [www.clemson.edu/masternaturalist](http://www.clemson.edu/masternaturalist).

**For More Information**
- On the SC Master Naturalist Program, please visit [www.clemson.edu/masternaturalist](http://www.clemson.edu/masternaturalist).
- On the Winyah Master Naturalist Course, please visit [www.northinlet.sc.edu/winyahnaturalist](http://www.northinlet.sc.edu/winyahnaturalist).
- Contact Jennifer Plunket, [jen@belle.baruch.sc.edu](mailto:jen@belle.baruch.sc.edu), 843-546-6219 ext.251

*Please note that field trips will involve being outside for extended time periods, hiking, and exposure to insects, sun, heat, interesting people, beautiful places and lots of fun.*