



Membership

Membership and contributions help the Nature Foundation preserve and maintain over 6,000 acres of Blue Ridge open space for research, educational programs, and habitat for native plants and animals. They also support the highest quality educational programs on the region's natural history for both adults and children.

Additionally, these funds allow the Foundation to enrich regional school programs, host undergraduate and graduate school internships, and bring hands-on learning to a teacher's fingertips. Thus, the messages of conservation and appreciation of nature are brought to the classroom, the office, and into the home.

Individual Blazer \$50

An Individual Blazer membership entitles the member to FREE *Living with Nature at Wintergreen* hikes which are offered year-round by Foundation naturalists; a year's subscription to *The Blue Ridge Mountain Messenger*, a quarterly newsletter dedicated to the membership; 10% discount on Nature Center Shoppe purchases; and 10% discount at Blue Ridge Mountain Sports Wintergreen, located in the Mountain Inn.

Family Blazer \$100

This category of membership includes the benefits of an individual membership for up to six family members (parents and up to four dependent children).

Silver Explorer \$250

The Silver Explorer includes the benefits of a Family Blazer, plus FREE *Living with Nature at Wintergreen* hikes and discounted admission to the Spring Wildflower Symposium weekend.

Gold Explorer \$500

The Gold Explorer category includes benefits of a Silver Explorer with the addition of a special gift and discounts on field trips.

Steward's Circle \$1000

Steward's Circle members receive the benefits of a Gold Explorer, plus free registration for two to the Spring Wildflower Symposium weekend.

Conservator's Circle \$5000

The highest membership category includes all of the benefits of a Steward's Circle membership, plus admission to an exclusive annual Conservator's event.

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