

IDLE WILD

BUTTERFLY FARM

OFF-SITE EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS

A large part of our mission at **IDLEWILD BUTTERFLY FARM & INSECTARIUM** is to educate the general public in the role that not only butterflies, but **all arthropods** play in the natural world. We strive to promote respect and appreciation for these incredibly diverse organisms, and there's no better way of doing that than by letting folks get up close and personal with the very creatures that they have sometimes learned to fear.

Our educational programs are **live insect/arthropod based** and promote respect and appreciation through **close viewing and interaction**. Our insect ambassadors can be viewed up-close with the assistance of our handlers and many are able to be touched and petted. Our knowledgeable handlers identify all specimens and elaborate on their unique adaptations, diets, and country of origin. Specimens originate in our insect lab where we keep and rear exotic insects and arthropods from around the world. This may include exotic beetles, stick insects, praying mantids, cockroaches, tarantulas, scorpions, and more. Our handlers are extremely knowledgeable and welcome any insect-related questions from a curious community.

Our educational programs are led by **degreed entomologists** with years of education and experience in this specialized field of study. Our philosophy is to provide an approach to butterflies and insects that is both accessible and scientifically supported. Our educational programs are accessible and entertaining for children and adults alike!



LIVE INSECT EXPERIENCE – \$200 PER HOUR

- Minimum one (1) hour per location
- Additional mileage charge outside of Jefferson County, KY
- Best suited for small to medium groups in a cozy setting OR booths/stations at event venues



TO SCHEDULE YOUR LIVE INSECT EXPERIENCE – Call, email, or visit **IDLEWILD BUTTERFLY FARM** for scheduling. Be prepared with:

- A **contact person** for scheduling and communication.
- A method of **payment** (required in advance).
- The **size** and **age range** of your group.
- The prospective **date** for your booking. Be prepared with alternate dates in case of a scheduling conflict.

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BOOKING & INFO

SCHEDULING – Off-site programs must be scheduled and confirmed by a staff member of IDLEWILD BUTTERFLY FARM prior to the date of your visit. Please call or email to speak with a staff member about scheduling. You will receive an electronic copy of your invoice to confirm your booking.

PAYMENT – We kindly request a cash or check payment for services \$200 and above. **Payment in full must be tendered before one week of the date of your visit.** IDLEWILD BUTTERFLY FARM reserves the right to refuse service to parties who have not settled their balance.

To render payment, please mail your check to:

**IDLEWILD BUTTERFLY FARM
1100 LOGAN STREET
LOUISVILLE, KY 40204**

CANCELLATION – We require at least one week’s notice for cancellation of scheduled presentations. Your payment is non-refundable within one week of your scheduled date.

SERVICE AREA – We take our bugs on the road within appx. 75 miles (or a 2-hour drive) from Jefferson County, Kentucky. Not sure if you’re within our service area? Just ask!

GROUP SIZE – The live insect experience is best suited for small to moderate groups in a cozy setting, or in a booth/station at event venues. **If you are interested in booking for a gymnasium or auditorium presentation, please ask us about alternative presentations for those venues.**

CHAPERONES – Since our presentations feature interaction with live insects that may be excitable for young audiences, we request at least one adult chaperone per group of children. Chaperones must be 18 years or older.