

Nature play is here to stay



We believe every space is a play space, so whether home is in an apartment, house, farm or tent, there are always ways to play in nature! Here are a few things for you to try on your own, or as a family.

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Wednesday

- Go on a bug hunt and perhaps draw what you found!
- Gather some fallen leaves and make a leaf collage.
- Become an ant-hunter, find a trail of ants and see how far you can follow them. Where have they come from? Where are they going?
- Make something unique in the kitchen, using fruit or veggies you've found.

Monday

- Collect and paint pine cones, what else can you make with these? Can you make a garland with flax?
- Make a natural collage using things of the same colour.
- Climb a tree or go for a short walk to find your closest climbing tree.
- Build a flower press and make beautiful pressed things for later.



Thursday

- Collect leaf litter into a jar, water it daily and watch what grows from it!
- Go on a photo safari (even indoors!) How many natural things can you find inside?
- Read a book in the great outdoors.
- Build a bird feeder and pop it in a tree. Watch over a few days to see if the birds come.



Tuesday

- Collect sticks and build something. How creative can you be?
- Find some worms and watch them work. How long are they? Watch how they move about.
- Start a nature journal, add in all sorts of things, sketch trees, write a poem!
- Paint leaves and rocks; how about make a set of knucklebones! Or can you make a chess set?



Friday

- Can you identify which weeds you have in your backyard? Take photos of weeds and research how to get rid of them.
- Make a magic wand. How creative can you be?
- Make a nature mystery bag or box for others in your house, guess what's inside.
- Make a toy car trail in the dirt or garden.



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