

# WILD FAMILIES



## Nature activities for families with older children

Each box in the table below contains a suggestion for something to do in nature with your older children. These activities are about encouraging the scientific skills of close observation, questioning and interpreting of nature. They can record their success with a drawing, a tick, a photo or whatever works for your group. The important things are to explore, discuss and remember.

1. Find a place where an animal made a home.

2. Build a tiny home with things from nature and return your home to the way it was.

3. Find a seed.

4. Find something that smells good or bad. Why does it smell like that?

5. Find or name two things that are necessary for life.

6. Listen to the sounds around you. Which sounds will still be here when the people have gone?

7. Find a place where a plant-eater would be happy.

8. Spy on a small critter.

9. Find a pattern in nature.

10. Find something that can live in water.

11. Find a place that would be challenging to live.

12. Investigate a plant. What did you discover?



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