Wild science family fun with budding discoverers

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	5. Find an animal. Find two things	6. Listen to the sounds around
good or bad. Why does it smell like that?	this animal needs to live. What are they?	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. What did it do	9. Find a pattern in nature.
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10. Find something that can fly.	11. Find a place that would be challenging to live. Where is it?	12. Investigate a plant. What did you discover?

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