

Day Twenty-Seven: May 27, 2020

NATURE BINGO

Celebrate the great outdoors with Nature Bingo! Spring and summer are a great time to be outdoors more than usual. You might be taking long walks or hikes, or simply enjoying some backyard time. However you choose to take in the great outdoors, why not give your kids a challenge along the way?

[These](#) free, printable Nature Bingo cards will encourage the kiddos to be on the lookout for the things around them. They also will give you the opportunity to talk with them about what is safe (and not-so-safe) to touch while they are out exploring!



To get started, print as many cards as you want. You can use colored paper or card stock, or use white so that your little ones can color in the designs.

Attach the cards onto clip boards (or a book or other hard, mobile surface) to make it easier to fill in the game card as you go.

This is also a good time to establish family rules for your game. You might play that only the person who spots something from the card gets to mark it off. Or you could make a rule that something can apply to more than one game space (for example, finding a long skinny purple leaf would cover two places).

Laminate the cards, slide them into dry-erase pockets or into a large Ziploc bag to make your cards reusable and more earth-friendly. Then you can mark off items with a wipe-off

marker. Since nature is always changing, it's handy to have these to play with again and again.

Explain that if your child finds some berries, they should never taste them without your permission. Remind them that disrupting or even touching a bird's nest is harmful for the birds. And of course, point out how thorns can hurt fingers!

Keep your nature bingo cards with you in your summer adventures and enjoy finding the beautiful things around you!

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