

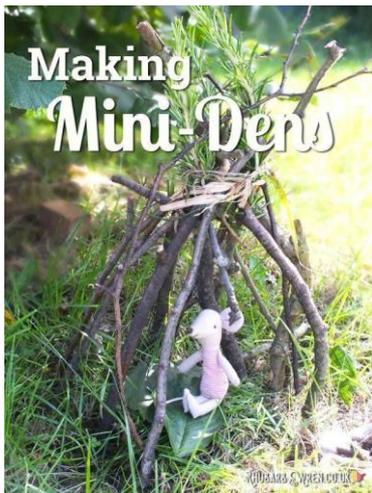
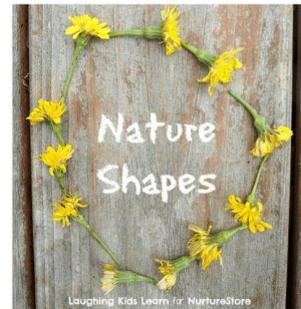
Nature Activities

Whilst we know not all families will have a garden to explore we have tried to include some activities using objects that you could find while out on a walk with your children. By collecting a few sticks, leaves or stones children can have hours of fun. We hope you find some of these useful....

With just about anything you can find; leaves, flowers, sticks or stones you can have fun making shapes. See how many different shapes you can make then count the sides and corners on each one.

Which shape has the most sides?

Can you make a giant shape?



Create a dolls house or knights castle with a difference by collecting some sticks and creating a mini den. Children can use long pieces of grass or string to tie the sticks together or just balance them against a tree trunk.

This activity can also be done indoors on a rainy day to make a teddy's bear tea party with a twist.

We know that some of our children will be missing their Jolly Phonic songs and we wouldn't want their interest in letters to waver.

Why not try some simple name writing with items you have collected on a walk. They could do their name, their sibling's name, pet's names and much more!

Use anything you can find and talk to children about the shapes that are made by letters. For example an F has a tall line with two lines coming off it. Talking about the details of each letter will help children remember them.



NAME WRITING
Nature Hunt





"Exploring the Outdoors"
SCAVENGER HUNT FOR
TODDLERS



When out walking or even in the garden use a box or bag to collect your items in. Children love boxes, containers and bags. Something as simple as finding different shaped leaves and putting them in an old butter tub or nappy bag can keep children engaged for ages and develops their concentration.

Set them targets to see how many different leaf shapes, coloured petals, lengths of sticks they can find.

If lucky enough to find shells, cones or pebbles talk about the different colours and shapes on them and make different collections of objects.

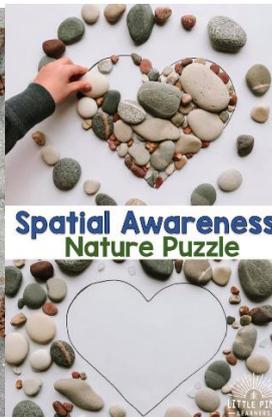


Fun ways to
Measure Nature



Nature
Patterns

Coffee Cups and Crayons



Spatial Awareness
Nature Puzzle



DIY Spider
Stone Puzzle

LITTLE PINE

Maths activities for toddlers are more than just numbers. Can you use your nature treasures to make repeating patterns, a homemade puzzle to fill up or perhaps organise them in to groups of shortest, longest, different colours, biggest/smallest.

Use your child's treasures to make a picture of a flower, a butterfly, a car or your family. Use nature's many colours and shapes to make your pictures as detailed as you can. Encourage your child to be creative and have fun!



Nature Tree

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