

Forest Art



This is a great activity to do at the end of a walk - collect natural materials along the way and create your very own piece of forest art!



Create a picture using natural materials that you find on your walk. What shapes and textures can you find in the forest? Do any of them remind you of creatures that live there?

What you'll need

- A small bag for collecting natural materials

What to do/instructions:

1. Along your walk keep an eye out for interesting materials to collect. Try to only collect a small bit from tree or plant area as not to upset the natural balance.
2. Think about the different; textures (smooth, prickly, shiny, hard, waxy); colours and shapes (round, heart-shaped, straight, curved).
3. What might you see in the forest? For example different animals, trees or flowers. Choose one of these things for the inspiration for your artwork.
4. Pick a spot to make your picture and gently clear of any leaf litter. Make sure you don't hurt any minibeasts resting there!
5. Collect four sticks and arrange as your frame.
6. Create your work of art! Try and think about what materials would work well for what. For example, what looks like fluffy fur or spiky hedgehog spines.

We would love to see your creations! Share your photos with us on Instagram or twitter /cityoftreesmcr



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