

Twig rafts



Create and test your own twig rafts!



Get outdoors and collect materials to build a twig raft. You can then test your raft in a puddle, paddling pool or nearby stream or brook with the help of an adult.

What you'll need

- Twigs that are the same length
- String
- Scissors
- Leaves to create a sail

What to do/instructions:

1. Collect your twigs from a park, woodland, or garden. Make sure you collect your twigs from the ground
2. Make sure your twigs are roughly the same length and then join them together with string
3. You can use an extra twig to create a mast by sticking it into the base of your raft
4. Add a leaf or feather onto your mast as a sail by threading it down the mast twig

Test your raft by having a race with your friends or family down a stream or if you want to keep hold of your raft for a bit longer you can test it on a puddle or in a paddling pool.

To challenge your raft-building skills even more, you can try adding weight onto your raft by loading small stones or other items onto it. Does it still float?

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