

Backyard Nature Hunt

Stay close to home

- A leaf bigger than your hand
- A stick shaped like a Y
- Three different colored flowers
- An ant carrying something
- A bird flying overhead
- A spider web (don't touch!)
- Something soft and fuzzy
- Something rough and bumpy
- A rock bigger than a quarter
- A puddle reflection
- Two different bird sounds
- A cloud shaped like an animal

Park or Woods Nature Hunt

Bigger area, longer list

- A tree with peeling bark
- A pinecone (or seed pod)
- An acorn or nut
- A feather on the ground
- Moss or lichen on a rock
- A flower with five petals
- A flower with more than five petals
- Something green that isn't a leaf
- An animal track
- A spot of sunshine through the trees
- A hollow tree or stump
- A bug under a log (put the log back!)

Beach + Water Nature Hunt

Lakes, rivers, ocean

- A smooth round rock
- A piece of driftwood
- A shell with a spiral
- A shell that's broken
- Sea glass or a piece of polished glass
- A footprint in the sand or mud
- A wave pattern in the sand
- Something living in shallow water
- Three rocks of different colors
- A bird that lives near water

Four Seasons Hunt

One small list for each season

- Spring — first flower bloom
- Spring — a baby animal
- Spring — rain on a window
- Summer — bare feet on grass
- Summer — fireflies after dark
- Summer — a sunburned tomato or fruit
- Fall — a red leaf
- Fall — a cold morning breath
- Fall — pumpkins on a porch
- Winter — a frosted window
- Winter — a track in the snow
- Winter — your warmest hat

Build Your Own Nature Hunt

Blank list — make it match your backyard
