



Staffordshire Wildlife Trust



Get Wild

Challenge

Do 50 wild things to get your badge



Help us celebrate our 50th year by taking part in our Get Wild badge! Individuals, families, schools and groups can all get involved by doing 50 wild activities to earn their award.

On this printable activity sheet, you will find 100 wild activities to choose from. You need to complete 50 of these to earn your challenge badge. You can tick them off as you do them, or if you are at one of Staffordshire Wildlife Trust's qualifying events, we will stamp it for you.

The activities are organised into five categories - *Action for Wildlife*, *Discover and Learn*, *Explore*, *Be Active*, and *Be Creative*. You can choose whichever activities you would like to do, or you may want to set yourself or your group an extra challenge to complete 10 from each!

Look out for the  symbol for activities that have a handy fact sheet that you can find on our Wildlife Watch website: www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/activity-sheets

Once you have completed your 50 wild activities you will need to send your activity sheet back to us with the completed form and enclose £1.50 for your chosen badge. You can choose from either a pin badge or sew on badge.

Most of the activities can be done almost anywhere outdoors; school playgrounds or fields, parks, woods, nature reserves or in your own garden. Why not see how many different places you can do the activities in? Or see how many of Staffordshire Wildlife Trust nature reserves you can visit? To find out more about our reserves, visit: www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk/explore/our-nature-reserves

You can also tick off many of the activities when attending the family events and activities that we run throughout the year. Look out for the challenge badge logo next to events for qualifying activities. See our what's on page to find out more: www.staffs-wildlife.org.uk/events













Photo: Matthew Roberts





Action for wildlife





-  Make a bird feeder
-  Make a butterfly feeder
-  Make a hedgehog home
-  Leave an area of your garden wild
-  Make seed bombs
-  Litter pick
-  Build a mini pond
-  Build a bug hotel
-  Build a nest box
-  Reduce your plastic use
- Raise money for your Wildlife Trust
- Put out water for the birds
- Leave out sugar water for the bees
- Plant wildflowers in your garden
- Feed the ducks (duck food, not bread!)
- Make a log pile for minibeasts
-  Plant vegetables for wildlife
- Make a bat box
-  Make a mini nature reserve
- Leave food and water out for hedgehogs



Discover and learn







-  Get to know a tree
- Learn how to identify a new bird
- Learn how to identify a new minibeast
- Learn to cook on a campfire
- Count spots on 5 ladybirds
- Look at leaf veins up close
- Put your hands into a fresh molehill
- Learn how to use binoculars
- Listen to birds singing
- Use a map and compass
- Spot constellations at night
- Find a bee and follow its journey
- Collect 5 leaves and identify them
- Watch birds feed their young
- Watch birds at a bird feeder
- Read a Wildlife Watch magazine
-  Watch moths using a light trap
- Photograph the same place each season
- Discover 5 different textures in nature
- Listen to a tree heartbeat with a stethoscope



Explore



-  Go pond dipping
-  Discover animal tracks and signs
- Lie on the grass and explore a mini world
- Visit and explore a Trust reserve
- Spot a bird of prey
- Draw a map of a reserve as you walk
- Go on a bug hunt
- Go on a bird walk
- Search for different coloured leaves
- Find a birds' nest
- Slowly wander in wild spaces
-  Go on a scavenger hunt
- Find 5 butterflies
- Find a fairy door
- Lie in long grass
- Eat fruit straight from a tree
- Find a worm, let it wriggle on your hand
- Find the perfect spot for a picnic
-  Go rockpooling
- Go for a walk in the woods





Be active




- Play a game of conkers
- Climb a tree
- Build a den
- Spend a night outside
- Have an adventure in the rain
- Roll down a hill
- Run down a hill
-  Build a tree house
- Jump in puddles
- Build a rope swing
- Pick wild fruits
- Skim a stone
- Play pooh sticks
- Go sledding (snow or grass!)
- Walk barefoot outside
- Make a snow angel
- Put up a hammock to sleep in
- Make an obstacle course in the woods
- Jump over waves
- Fly a kite



Be creative



-  Make a wild cocktail
- Make a wild music instrument
- Find a special spot and listen to wildlife
- Whittle a marshmallow stick
- Make a clay creature
- Make your own stick man
- Draw your favourite wildlife
- Look for familiar shapes in the clouds
- Count raindrops falling on your head
- Taste the snow as it falls
- Smell the earth after it's just rained
- Photograph frost on a chilly morning
- Listen to rain on the leaves
- Make us a mud birthday cake
- Find ten different colours in nature
- Play nature I spy
- Write a nature journal
- Make leaf bunting using wool and fallen leaves
- Find a special stick and make a magic nature wand
- Make a big picture using natural materials



Claim your badge



Please fill in and return this form to receive your Get Wild badge.

Name:

Address to post badge to:

Please tick whether you would like a sew on badge or pin badge:

Sew on badge Pin badge

Please tick this box if you are you happy to receive emails about Staffordshire Wildlife Trust's work for wildlife including events, volunteering, fundraising and other activities.

Please return your completed activity form, contact details and £1.50 for the badge to:

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