

Cubs Naturalist Activity Badge



Learn how to identify different trees, birds and flowers. Sit back and watch the seasons change.

This badge is all about engaging with the natural world, and showing others why it's so special.

How to earn your badge:

1. Learn how to identify six different living things from two of these categories:

- ☐ trees
- ☐ garden birds
- ☐ water birds
- ☐ minibeasts and insects
- ☐ wild flowers
- ☐ pond dwellers
- ☐ fungi
- ☐ butterflies and moths

That means you should have 12 examples in total.

DERNFORD NOOK Use the Resources downloads to learn the flora and fauna onsite

2. Over three months, visit the same natural area at least four times.

Take a note of the changes in the plants and wildlife that you see. You might visit a garden, hedgerow, canal, river lake or park. Make sure that you have an adult's permission for the visits.

DERNFORD NOOK Repeat trips can be arranged to Dernford Nook

3. Learn the countryside code and how to follow it.

DERNFORD NOOK The Countryside Code is available from the Resource page

4. Choose one of these activities to do:

- ☐ Make a hedgehog, ladybird or bee house.
- ☐ Create a piece of art using natural material. You could do a bark or leaf rubbing, dried flower picture or maybe a collage.

- With an adult pick wild edible berries, leaves or fruit. Use them in a recipe.
- Use a dye that uses natural ingredients to colour a piece of material.
- Make a feeding station for birds. Get permission to hang it in a good position.

DERNFORD NOOK Make a bird or bat box or a feeding station for the site, or create art with found materials from the site