

# Nature activities for neighborhoods, yards and other outdoor spaces

## *Nature creations.*

### **Gnome/Fairy houses**

**Materials: Anything that can be found in nature.**

Did you know there are unseen forest-y creatures that are always looking for home?

1. Using any items that you can find in nature, build a home for a gnome or a fairy.
2. Use these items to build that house! What does the house look like? Is it a simple cottage or a mansion with a pool!? Use your imagination and remember to practice respect towards nature, and the fairies and gnomes!

### **Nature niche**

This is the perfect way to create a neat nature feature in your yard or close to home.

1. On a walk around your neighborhood, expedition on the lawn, or even a walk to the mailbox, collect fallen and found items like striking rocks, interesting leaves, or empty shells that catch your eye.
2. Arrange these in a corner of your yard, patio, or porch to bring a bit of your favorite nature closer to home.



### **Tips:**

- Only take pieces of nature that may no longer be living (dead branches, loose pinecones on the ground, etc).
- Consider this a rotating art gallery and periodically return found items back to the natural world to make space for more temporary treasures!
- Don't forget to practice good hygiene and wash your hands with soap after putting your creation together.

### **Nature's rainbow**

1. Gather natural objects like leaves, flowers, moss, pinecones, and rocks from the ground of the park (no need to pick anything).
2. Find as many colors as you can, and arrange them into a beautiful rainbow.