

NATURALIST BADGE



How to earn your badge...

1. Learn how to identify **six** different living things from **two** of these categories, that means you should have 12 examples in total:
 - trees
 - garden birds
 - water birds
 - minibeasts and insects
 - wild flowers
 - pond dwellers
 - fungi
 - butterflies and moths
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
3. Learn the countryside code and how to follow it
4. Choose **one** of these activities to do:
 - a) Make a hedgehog, ladybird or bee house
 - b) Create a piece of art using natural material. You could do a bark or leaf rubbing, dried flower picture or maybe a collage
 - c) With an adult pick wild edible berries, leaves or fruit. Use them in a recipe
 - d) Use a dye that uses natural ingredients to colour a piece of material.
 - e) Make a feeding station for birds. Get permission to hang it in a good position