



Easy & Fun Activities for the Nature Deficient Family

“For since the creation of the world God's invisible qualities--his eternal power and divine nature--have been clearly seen, being understood from what has been made, so that people are without excuse.” Romans 1:20

BACKPACK & SUPPLIES: Backpack with following materials

1. notebook, journal or art sketch book
2. colored pencils
3. lined or unlined notebooks
4. magnifying glass
5. field guides **
6. clipboard
7. camera (or iphone)
8. binoculars (if already have them)
9. bug observation box (and ziplock bags)
10. sun screen, hand sanitizer and bug spray

HIKES & FIELDTRIPS:

Each week (if possible), pick a place to “hike”.

- a. Backyard and Neighborhood
- b. Free Wilderness Parks: Encanto Park (Duarte), Eaton Canyon (Pasadena), Wilderness Park (Arcadia), Monrovia Canyon, San Dimas Canyon, Stough Canyon (Burbank), Bolsa Chica Wetlands (Huntington Beach), Tide Pools (San Pedro) and any park & beach
- c. Monthly Free days: Descanso Gardens (3rd Tuesday each month), Huntington Gardens (1st Thursday with reservation), Arboretum (3rd Tuesday each month). South Coast Botanic Gardens (3rd Tuesday of each month)
- d. Annual Family Membership to Zoo, Aquarium, Museum, etc.

DRAW & RESEARCH:

Draw on the spot, add more details at home, research more during the week, & visit library for related info and picture books

GAMES:

1. Into the Forest (or Onto the Desert)
2. Professor Noggin
3. Any -OPOLY game
4. Spot it
5. Animal Trivia (or any animal board game)
6. Quick Pix Animal Game
7. 20 Questions

** Most can be purchased at Excellence in Education (EIE)**

RESOURCES WEBSITES:

ACORN NATURALIST: <https://www.acornnaturalists.com>

Mac's Field Guide to California (Laminated) \$4.95

<https://www.acornnaturalists.com/catalogsearch/result/?q=california+laminated>

Pocket Naturalist Guide: California (Laminated fold out) \$7.95

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Fandex Family Field Guides: Trees (and tons of others) by Steven Aronson

<https://amazon.com>

INSECTLORE: <https://www.insectlore.com>

live insects, kits and books