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activities

to do while you're out and about in the Beautiful Bay this May!

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Meet a tree

Spend some time with a tree! Use your senses to discover how it feels (bark and leaves), what sounds does it make, does it have a scent?



Find nature in unexpected places

Find things growing in the cracks in the footpath, walls, corners – anywhere!



Create a story in nature

Find a spot in nature and look carefully at what is around you and create an imaginative nature adventure story.

Stand at the base of a waterfall

Look at the power of the water falling. Listen to the music of the water splashing. If you can, feel the spray on your skin.

Go barefoot

Walk on different surfaces/things like gravel, mud, dirt, leaves, grass, bark and more. Which surface is your favourite?



Make a nature obstacle course

Have some fun making an obstacle course out of things in nature. Can you put things in that test your balance, your speed, how high you can jump?

Dance with nature

Move however nature makes you feel when you are out amongst it!

Listen to nature

Identify 5 different sounds you can hear.

Have a waste-free picnic

See if you can pull off a waste-free picnic. Choose a lovely spot outside to enjoy some kai with friends and whānau.

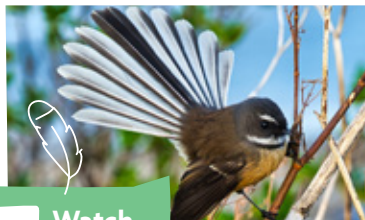


Relax in nature

Find a serene spot and take a moment.

Watch a bird

What is it doing?



Make a fairy house

Find a large tree and make a fairy house door with things you find outside.



Spot 5 things

What draws your attention in nature? Find a small nature space, like a rock pool, or tree trunk, and identify the different things there.

Create nature poetry

Create a nature poem while at your own nature spot, or out at one of Hawke's Bay's iconic environments.



Skim a stone over water

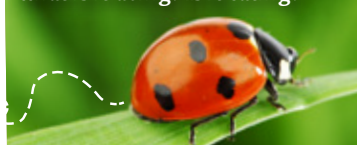
What is your top score? If you are with others, who got the most 'jumps'?

Go star gazing

What constellations, planets etc are in the sky in May? Matariki disappears from the sky, returning in June. Visit Atea-a-Rangi, the Star Compass, at Waitangi Regional Park near Awatoto, Napier.

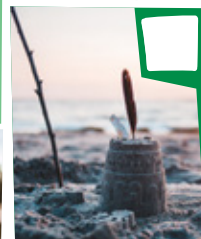
Follow an insect

Find somewhere like your backyard or a park to search for an insect. Follow it for a while; what is it doing? Is it eating?



Make music

Find something in nature you can make music with – grass whistle, hitting sticks together, seeds or cones for rattles. Can you play a tune?



Build a mini city

What did you use to build your mini city? What lives there? What could we learn from how you built your city when planning Aotearoa's cities of the future?



Texture hunt

Find different textures in nature: smooth, spiky, soft, hard, bumpy, slippery, spongy. Challenge a friend or whānau member to also find that texture!

Play hide and seek outside



Bug search!

Identify invertebrates in a green space near you!

Grow a plant from a seed

Find seeds, plant them, label them and watch them grow! Try squeezing seeds out of a tomato, chilli or capsicum.

Play the blindfold game

Find things outside with different smells or textures to feel – e.g. lavender, rosemary, manuka, dirt, lawn clippings, mud. Challenge someone to try and guess what they are while blindfolded.

Make a rainbow

Try to find something in nature for each colour of the rainbow. Look around in your garden or on a walk and see what you might be able to create.

Build a hut!

Build a hut in your backyard, at the beach or at a park with driftwood you collect, and decorate with seaweed, leaves, and feathers.



Read a night time story outside

Grab your torch, a blanket, maybe even a hot chocolate?



Make a leaf or bark rubbing

Use paper and a pencil and see what artwork you can create.



Explore a park



Scan here when you're all done!