



nature PLAY

The★ICM
OUTDOOR CODE

Take nothing
BUT pictures.

Leave nothing
BUT footprints.

RESPECT
WILDLIFE

and others.

Be safe.

have FUN!

F.W. KENT
COUNTY
PARK

NATURE PLAY

**Plan
YOUR TRIP!**
TO DO BEFORE YOU LEAVE



CUT!



Arrange!



FOLD!



Bind!

**CUT OUT AND ASSEMBLE
YOUR NATURE JOURNAL!**

BACKYARD NATURALIST

**TO TAKE ON
YOUR ADVENTURE!**

- NATURE JOURNAL and cloud identification viewer
- SUNSCREEN and a hat
- TOOLS FOR WRITING :pencil, pen or colored pencils
- Scissors
- YOUR map
- A WATERBOTTLE
- Bugspray

**FOLLOW UP
ADVENTURE!**

- ONCE YOUR ADVENTURE HAS BEEN COMPLETED, MAKE YOUR BACKYARD NATURALIST BUTTON!
- TRY THE NATURE JOURNAL ACTIVITIES SOMEWHERE ELSE. WHAT IS THE SAME? WHAT IS DIFFERENT?
- SHARE YOUR ADVENTURE ON SOCIAL MEDIA #iCM2go

THE IOWA
CHILDREN'S
MUSEUM

Follow these steps to complete your Nature Journal

- 1- Cut along the outer dotted lines and leave the solid middle lines intact
- 2- Fold along the middle solid line
- 3- Stack your pages in the order you would like. There will be some blank pages (the backs of the printed pages) in your book to use for extra sketches or notetaking.
- 4- Once pages are stacked, cut a half inch notch at the top and bottom of the folded page crease
- 5- Wrap a string, ribbon or pipe cleaner around the middle of the journal, tightening it down into the cut notches to hold the pages in place
- 6- Tie or twist the ends together and start exploring!

Can you find something in nature that is every color in the rainbow?

Red

Orange

Yellow

Green

Blue

Purple

*Backyard Naturalist
Nature Journal*



*This book
belongs to:*

What is the biggest thing in nature you can find?

What is the smallest thing in nature you can find?

Close your eyes- what do you hear?

Close your eyes- what do you smell?

Can you find something in nature that is shaped like a letter or number?

Can you find something soft?

Can you find something hard?

Find something small with an interesting texture. Place it under this page and do a texture rubbing.

What is your favorite plant you have seen? Draw it!

What is your favorite animal you have seen? Draw it!



Cirrocumulus



Cirrus



Cumulonimbus



Altostratus



Altostratus

Cut out the center rectangle, along the dotted line. Hold the opening up to the sky and match the clouds you see to their scientific name



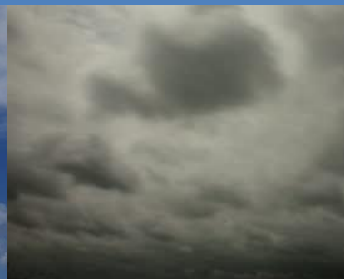
Stratus



Stratocumulus



Cumulus



Nimbostratus



Cirrostratus

Make YOUR BUTTON!

- CUT OUT and COLOR your BUTTON
- Tape the safety pin TO the BACK
- COVER the FRONT OF the BUTTON with CLEAR Tape TO REINFORCE (OPTIONAL)
- CONTINUE exploring NATURE!

