

Scavenger Hunt

Head outside to see what you can find!

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Turkey Calls

Wild Turkeys beginning to pursue mates. Listen for the distinction between male and female calls.



Old Nests

Look for last year's nests in shrubs and trees. Can you tell what species used them?



Hepatica

This wildflower is one of the first to show its colors. The blooms may not be out yet; can you identify the plant by its leaves?



Eastern Phoebe

This is one of the first species to arrive from the southern states and Mexico. Identify one; look for the bobbing tail as it is perched.



Paired American Crows

This species mates for life. To strengthen their bond, crows will preen each other. Watch a pair of crows to see this behavior.



Life on a Log

Observe a log that has been on the forest floor for an extended period of time. See what is living on it, in it, or under it. If you move the log, be sure to place it back how you found it.



Mayapple Sprouts

Mayapple plants resemble an umbrella throughout most of their growing period. Right now, they may look like a white nub popping out of the soil or an unopened umbrella. See what stage the mayapples are in near you.



Teetering Turkey Vultures

Look to the sky to see if you can spot this species unsteadily soaring with its wings held in a V shape. Can you distinguish the difference between a Turkey Vulture and a Bald Eagle in the sky?



Trout Lilly

This flower is soon to bloom. In the early weeks of spring you can find their blotchy green and purple leaves springing from the forest floor. Can you spot them?



Snakes

With the sunnier days arriving, snakes are going to stretch themselves on trails. Can you identify what snakes you are seeing?