



Naturalist Scavenger Hunt

Libby Hill Forest has many things to discover as you walk the trails. Observing nature requires you tune your powers of observation. You don't have to find all these items! You just need to concentrate on how to identify even a single item so you'll easily spot it the next time you go into the woods. We hope that you'll discover that each walk in the woods is a chance to discover something you've never seen before. Lots more information on our trails and nature are available at www.Libbyhill.org !

Item	Description	Category	Photo
Chickadee	Small black and white bird	Bird	
Robin	Medium Sized bird with red breast	Bird	
Birch, Gray	White tree with many black stipes and narrow strips of peeling bark	Tree	
Bluettes	Small bunches of white flower with yellow center and streaks of light blue	Flower	
Pine, White	Evergreen tree with groups of five needles and very rough bark on larger trees. It has long cones.	Tree	
Pine, Pitch	Evergreen tree with groups of 3 needles, snake like bard and small cones.		

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Snag	Old dead tree that is still standing.	Tree	
Turtle, Painted	Medium sized turtle with yellow lined shell and often suns on dead trees in water.	Animal	
Japanese Barberry	Invasive plant with red berries and thorns.	Shrub	
Duck, Mallard	Males have green heads and yellow bills, females are brown	Bird	
Beaver House	Large dome of sticks in water where beaver live.	Other	
Deer Tracks	3 inch tracks in soft soil or mud	Animal	
Deer Scat	Deer excrement that looks like piles of pellets.	Animal	
Red Winged Black Bird	Large black bird with orange patches on its shoulders.	Bird	

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Beaver Stumps	Trees chewed down by beaver.	Other	
Aspen	Tree with smooth gray bark and small leaves with serrations.	Tree	
Woodpecker, Hairy	Medium woodpecker with red head.	Tree	
Blueberry, low bush	Small shrub with white bell flowers.	Shrub	
Ground hog	Large rodent that lives on banks and open areas.	Animal	
Killdeer	Medium sized gray backed bird with white breast. Will mimic that is injured when you approach its nest.	Bird	
Chipmunk	Small rodent with striped back.	Animal	

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Blue jays	Large blue bird that travels in groups.	Bird	
Red Squirrel	Small squirrel with white or light colored belly, prefers evergreen trees.	Animal	
Gray Squirrel	Large Gray squirrel with white belly and prefers oak forest.	Animal	
Old Man's Beard	Lichen that hangs from trees.	Plant	
Moss	Many varieties of this plant that prefers shade and damp conditions.	Plant	
Lichen	One of oldest living plants that are part algae and part fungi.	Plant	
Tent Caterpillars	Webs that contain small caterpillars in the braches of small hardwood trees.	Insect	

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Bumble bees	Fuzzy bees with yellow stipes.	Insect	
Red Oak	Large hardwood tree with red color in bark furrows. Has acorns and large leaves.	Tree	
White Oak	Large hardwood with large leaves with rounded points.	Tree	
Beech	Hardwood tree with oval leaves and a very smooth gray bark.	Tree	

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