



12 Days Wild is a winter nature challenge created by The Wildlife Trusts, where everyone is encouraged to do one wild thing every day from 25th December to 5th January (inclusive). It is a great way to engage with nature over the holidays. Here are some activities you could do together over the 12 days:

- Go for a walk in the park and identify 3 different birds.
 - Make your own bird feeder.
 - Enjoy the puddles on a rainy day.
- Make a winter wreath and hang it on your door.
- Look under a log or in some leaves; find out about any minibeasts you see.
 - Decorate a tree with natural resources.
- Listen to the birds and learn to identify one bird song.
 - Make some ice decorations for outside.
 - Put some water outside for wildlife to drink.
- Watch a squirrel and find out what it is doing and where it is going.
 - Go star gazing on a clear night.
- Choose one way that you and your family will help nature this the new year.

Some of the idea sheets are attached. For more ideas, please visit:

<https://www.wildlifewatch.org.uk/activities>

It would be great to see what you do, so please send photos to the office or your child's key person. If you want to find out more about the challenge and would like to sign up, please click on the QR code below:



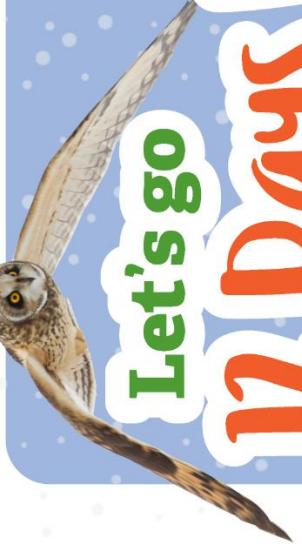
There are also ideas about how to have an eco-friendly festive season. Let us do all we can to reuse, reduce and recycle, and to look for sustainable alternatives both at this time and throughout the coming year.



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Use this wallchart to log
your daily activities as you
complete them or plan your
12 days in advance.

Let's go 12 Days Wild



25th December

26th December

27th December

29th December

30th December

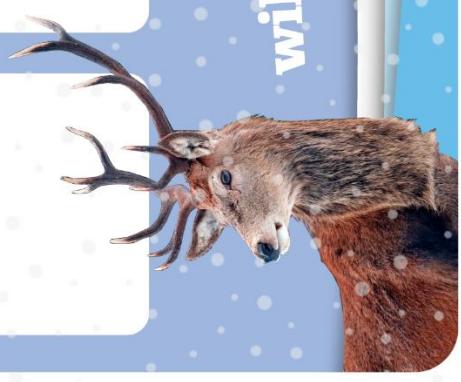
31st December

1st January

2nd January

4th January

5th January



You can even get creative with
your entries – draw, paint and
stick on your wild findings
throughout the festive break.

Make sure to share your
photos on social media using

#12DaysWild

For more wild ideas head to
wildlifetrusts.org/12dayswild

Make a winter wreath

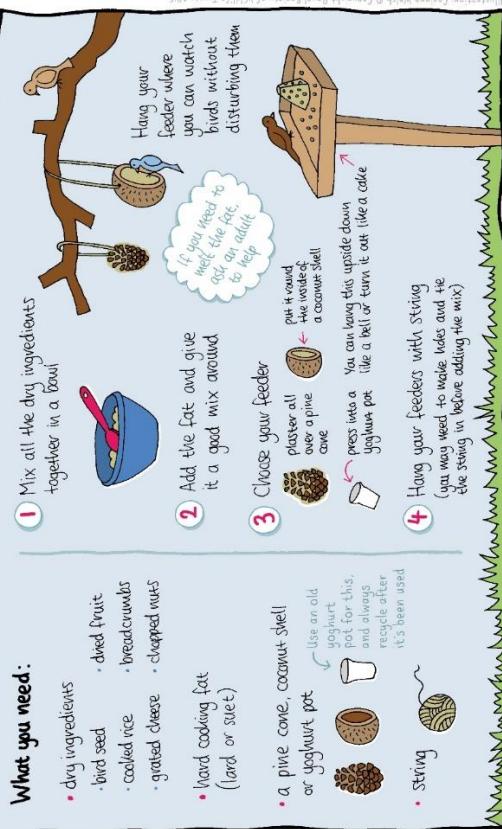


How to make your own bird feeder



* Collect fallen twigs from a variety of different areas to avoid removing too much from one habitat.

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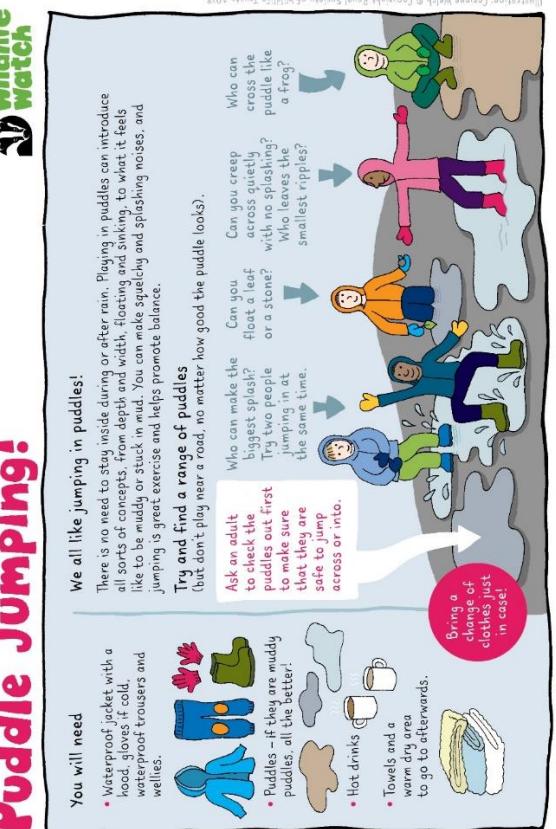


What you need:

- dry ingredients
- bird seed
- coated rice
- grated cheese
- chopped nuts
- lard cooking fat (lard or suet)
- hard cooking fat (lard or suet)
- a pine cone, coconut shell or yogurt pot
- use an old yogurt pot for this, and always recycle after it's been used
- string

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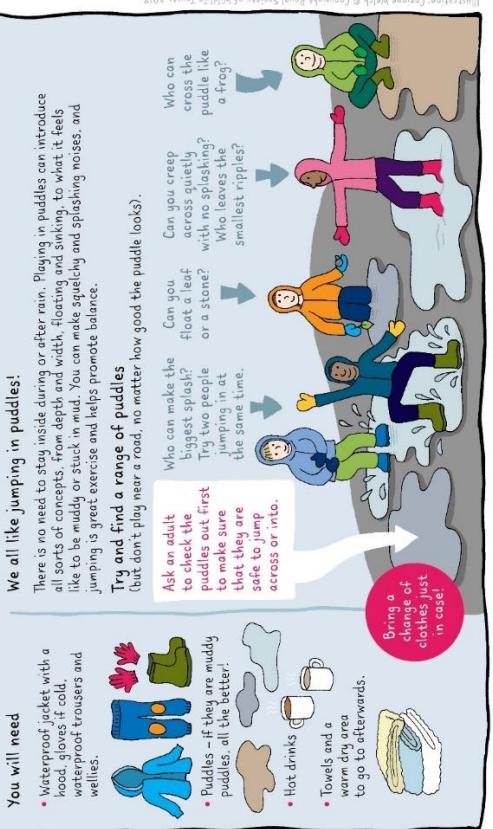
Decorate a tree



- Natural objects such as twigs, leaves, dried fruit, feathers
- Coloured wool and beads
- Ribbon or string
- Scissors

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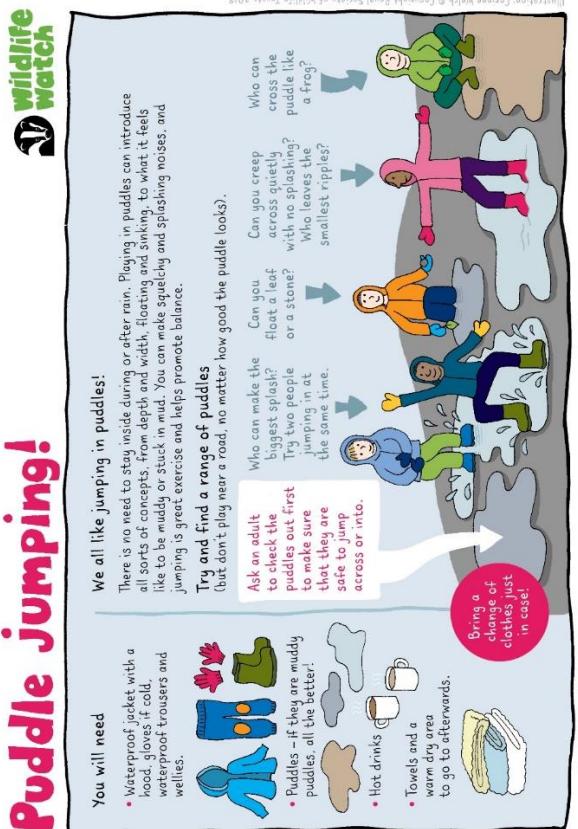
Puddle jumping!



You will need

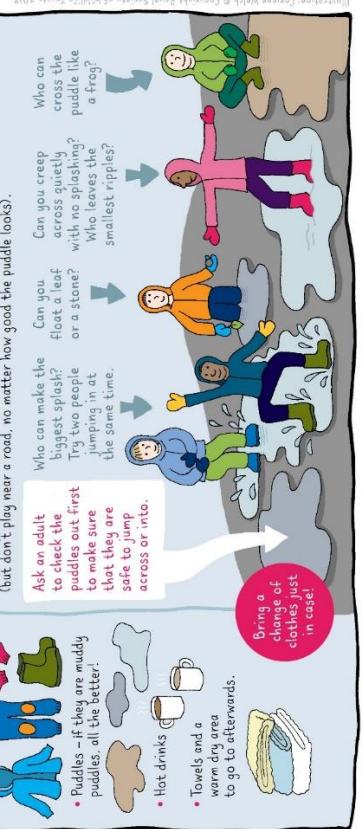
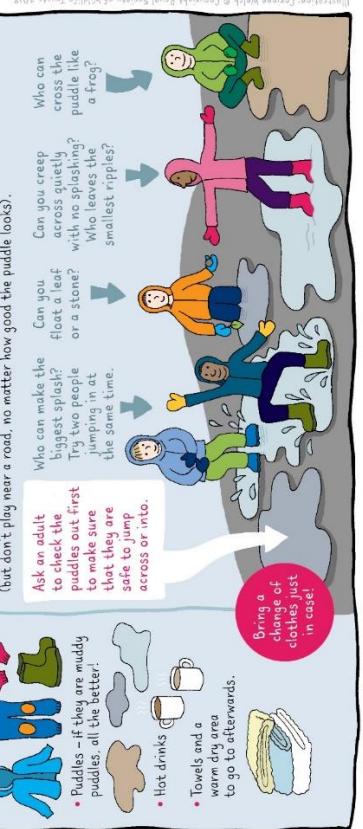
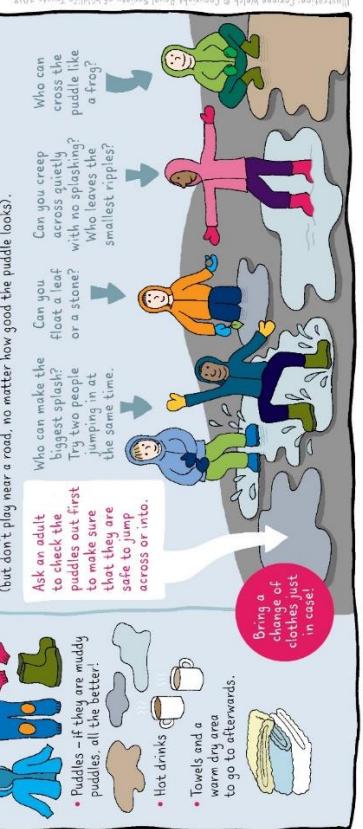
- Waterproof jacket with a hood, gives if cold, waterproof trousers and wellies.
- Ribbles - if they are muddy puddles, all the better!
- Hot drinks
- Towels and a warm dry area to go afterwards.

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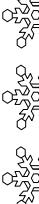
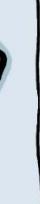
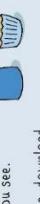
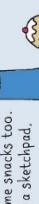
How to go stargazing

How to make ice decorations

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Read up on all the super interesting myth and folklore surrounding the stars in our sky!

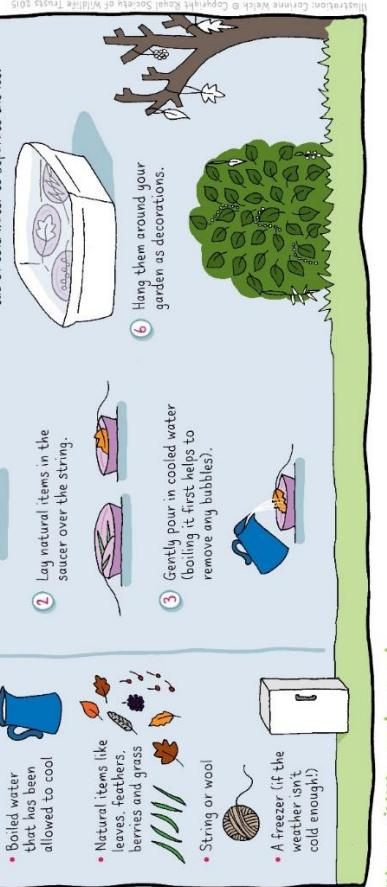
How to prepare



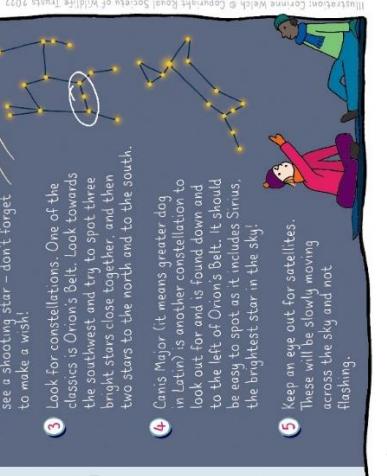
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How to make eco-crackers

Have an eco-Christmas

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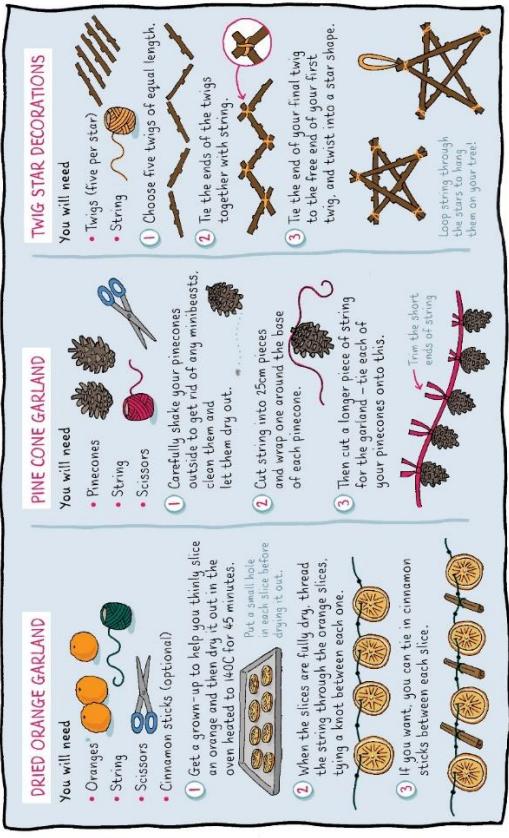
Make a glitter-free snow globe

How to make eco-decorations

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