

Adventure December!

Grab your mask and get outside! Thirty-one days of local, family-friendly outdoor adventure for all ages in and around Tompkins County.

1

Make a journey stick or bracelet to collect a journey.

2

Collect rocks for sorting, painting & skipping.

3

Make ephemeral art with natural materials.

4

Go bird sighting or make a pine cone bird feeder.

5

Make a color wheel collection with hues of brown, orange, yellow.

6

Build a fairy house.

7

Build a fort or shelter.

8

Build a bonfire and roast food. No fire pit? Make one in a can!

9

Make a nature mandala.

10

Go animal tracking.

11

Do a nature scavenger hunt.

12

Go dung hunting. Look for signs of animals by looking for their scat.

13

Count nests in trees.

14

Make wreaths using dried plants.

15

Do a neighborhood clean-up.

16

Take a pre-dawn walk around your block.

17

Make bark rubbings.

18

Make a nature loom for nature weaving.

19

Pretend cook with mud or snow.

20

Do a five senses hunt.

21

Arrange plants in a tray and add water. Freeze for beautiful ice art.

22

Go on a night lantern walk.

23

Make tracks in the dirt or snow for toy trucks and cars.

24

Help a neighbor. Shovel snow on a path or driveway.

25

Go sledding. You can use a piece of cardboard, laundry bin, or plastic lid.

26

Blow bubbles outside. See if they freeze.

27

Build a snow person.

28

Explore a local wetland.

29

Count the stars.

30

Play tic-tac-toe with sticks, rocks, and pine cones.

31

Make a snow shelter.

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31
days
of local
field trips

- 1 Sagan Planet Walk
- 2 Cornell Lab of Ornithology
- 3 TreeTops at Cayuga Nature Center
- 4 Sapsucker Woods
- 5 Taughannock State Park
- 6 Upper Treman State Park
- 7 Cornell Botanic Gardens
- 8 Ithaca Farmers Market
- 9 Bird Sanctuary at Stewart Park
- 10 Six Mile Creek Natural Area
- 11 Ithaca Falls
- 12 Cascadilla Creek
- 13 Cass Park
- 14 Indian Creek Farm playground
- 15 Cayuga Waterfront Trail
- 16 Tutelo Park and trail
- 17 Black Diamond Trail
- 18 Ithaca Children's Garden
- 19 Lime Hollow
- 20 Fillmore Glen State Park
- 21 Dryden Lake
- 22 East Shore Park
- 23 Myers Park
- 24 Mulholland Wildflower Preserve
- 25 Chimney Bluffs State Park
- 26 Ludlowville Park
- 27 Buttermilk Falls State Park
- 28 Lick Brook
- 29 Watkins Glen State Park
- 30 East Hill Recreation Way
- 31 Cass Park Ice Rink

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