INDOOR TREK Scavenger Hunt

HOW ANIMALS USE TREES

Northwest Trek Wildlife Park is located in a forest, which is home to many of the animals found at Trek. The forest and all of its different types of trees are very important to humans and animals alike! Explore the rooms in your house to learn more about how many of the Northwest Trek animals use trees...

**American porcupines** Tolmie and Thistle will eat bark off of trees as a tasty snack. We use bark in our food too! See if you can find Cinnamon, which is made from bark.

**Woodpeckers** will find insects living in the tree and use their beaks as tools to get to their meal. Can you find some tools that you use to eat with?

**Deer**, elk and moose make their home in the Free Roaming Area at Northwest Trek. Out in the wild, these types of animals will easily pick fruit from trees. See if you can find fruit at your house.

Did you know wolverines can climb trees? Ahma and Rainier are sibling wolverines that live at Northwest Trek. They like to hide things from each other in trees! Can you find a good place to hide things?

**Douglas squirrels** are all over at Northwest Trek and they will tear apart a Douglas fir cone to get at the seeds inside. Can you find something that you have to open to get to the food inside?

**Bald eagles** make their nest at the top a tree and usually choose the tallest tree in a forest where they can see everything around them. Find a place where you could nest and see everything around you.

Nature at Home
Maggie, a turkey vulture at Northwest Trek, can often be found sunbathing in a tree. She will find a sunny spot on the tree and spread her wings out to absorb all the sunlight. **Can you find a sunny spot in your house where you can spread your arms and get all the sun’s warmth on you?**

Grizzly bears like Huckleberry and Hawthorne can use trees to communicate. Adult male grizzlies will rub on trees leaving their scent, which scientists believe marks their territory. **Smell around your house, can you find where someone in your family has been by their scent?**

Cougars are secretive animals. They hid in trees and camouflage themselves so they can stay hidden while they hunt. **Find a place to camouflage into and see if anyone can find you.**

Roosevelt elk bulls (boys) will tangle plants and branches in their antlers to look more powerful to other elk. **Can you find something that will make you look more powerful?**

See what these animals look like: nwtrek.org/animals/