

Friday, July 30, 2021 FernGully

Thank you for participating in our Summer Movies in the Park AT HOME series. We've designed a special set of activities for you – themed to match this week's movie selection.

Step 1: Register for the Free Movie

You can view movies on your TV, tablet or phone. This particular movie is available to stream via Swank Motion Pictures with this watchlink: https://bit.ly/3fNcBUe. Sign up for the movie passcode here: Summer Movies at Home movie series. Check your inbox on Friday, July 30 for the email from County Parks and Recreation (add sdcounty@service.govdelivery.com to your address book to avoid the email being sent to spam).

Step 2: Plan Your Activities

Scroll through our activity, craft and recipe ideas to decide how you'd like to play along. Shop for any missing items on the "ingredients" list, and block time in your calendar to watch the movie with your family and friends.

Step 3: Set Up Your Space

Bring the outdoors inside. Set up your living room like you would at the park. Pull together your blankets and lawn chairs, or even a picnic!

Step 4: Tune In

The timing is up to you, but we'd love to hear from you on the Facebook event page we set up for this movie showing. Enjoy the movie through Sunday, Aug. 1 at 11:59 p.m.

Step 5: Enter for a Chance to Win a Disney Giveaway

To be entered for the giveaway of a family 4-pack of Disney tickets, compliments of our title sponsor Rose SD Realty, text DISNEY to 474747 before Oct. 30, 2021.

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Craft - Fairy Jar Night Lights

Materials:

- Mason Jars
- White tissue paper
- White craft glue
- Fairy foam stickers
- Decorations for the top of the jar like fake flowers and ribbon (optional)
- Battery operated tea lights (the flickering lights are the best



Directions:

- 1. Take the lid off the Mason Jar and lightly cover the jar with the craft glue.
- 2. Place the tissue paper over the glue and cover (including the bottom).
- 3. Peel off the back of the sticker on the Fairy and apply to the inside wall of the Mason Jar.
- 4. Place in your candle.
- 5. Decorate the top of the jar using flowers and ribbons.
- 6. Turn off the lights and watch your brand new Fairy Jar Night Lights light up your kids' rooms!





Cool Crafts - Fairy Garden

Materials:

- Sticks, pebbles, flowers from your backyard
- Planter
- Fairy house



Directions:

- 1. Hunt for supplies where you live. Walk around your backyard or local park and collect small sticks, round smooth pebbles, or anything interesting. Remember not to pick anyone's flowers if they are not your own!
- 2. Prepare the planter. You can use a terra cotta pot, metal tub, or anything you think your fairies would like to live in. Fill the container with soil but not all the way to the top.
- 3. Build your own fairy house or purchase one from the dollar store. If you want to build your fairy house, use those stones and sticks you collected! With adult supervision, hot glue the house together however you like.
- 4. Choose your flowers and succulents. The trick to making the fairy garden really pop and seem exciting is choosing a variety of plants & flowers. If you are new to gardening, the main tip is a little does a lot.
- 5. Assemble the garden. Arrange your plants and plant them in the planter. Create pathways or seating areas in any blank spaces. Some ideas include:
 - a. Flat pebbles, marbles, or rocks for a riverbed
 - **b.** Sticks for a pathway
 - **c.** Miniature accessories purchased from the dollar store or Amazon like fences, chairs, mushrooms, etc.
- 6. The fun is definitely not over now that our fairy garden is put together. You get to water the fairy garden each day and care for the flowers and plants. You can read stories about fairies this summer and make up stories. You can throw in a few surprises in the fairy house: a treat or two, a letter from the fairies, a small book to read together...it will bring the excitement and have them checking for occasional fairy fun!

More information: https://bit.ly/3xKNkBA



Cool Crafts - Mini Upcycled Plant Pots

Plant Pot Materials:

- Empty Play-Doh containers in various sizes.
- Washi tape in different colors and patterns.
- Scissors

Plant Pot Directions:

- 1. Choose your Play-Doh containers. Make sure your containers are washed and dry before you begin.
- 2. Choose your washi tape.
- 3. Give each kid a pair of scissors so they can easily cut the tape. This will be easier for some depending on their age.
- 4. Let the kids have fun mixing and matching colors and patterns and wrapping the containers in washi tape. You can wrap the tape around or try putting vertical strips in to mix it up a bit. There is no wrong way. Just have fun and create!
- 5. You might choose to use Mod Podge or a thin layer of white glue to paint over the washi tape to protect the mini planters from water and the sun if they are going to be in a sunny windowsill. You want them to be completely dry before moving on to the planting stage.

Planting Materials:

- Your finished plant pots and the lids
- Dirt
- Spoons
- Succulents or whatever plants you choose
- Screwdriver to punch drainage holes in the bottom of the containers

Planting Directions:

- 1. Punch drainage holes in the bottom of the containers. This should be done by an adult. I put about 4 holes in each container to make sure that the water has lots of space to drain out. Succulents don't like to sit in water!
- 2. Fill your containers about halfway with dirt. Don't fill it up more or there won't be enough room for the plant and its roots.
- 3. Place your plant in the planter and then fill up the rest of the way with more dirt.
- 4. Water your plants right away.
- 5. Place the lids underneath and admire their cuteness!

More information: https://bit.ly/3wKY1Ug









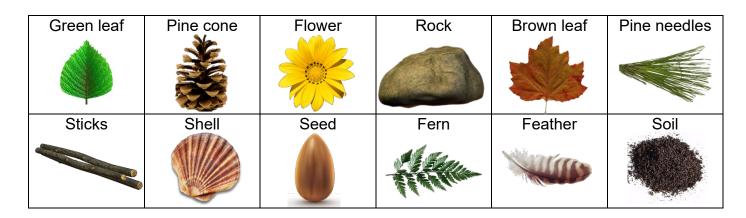
Awesome Activities - Exploring the Outdoors Scavenger Hunt

Materials:

- Egg carton
- Printed items list from below or paper and coloring materials
- Tape



- Choose 6-12 different items to place in the carton (such as a pine cone, rocks, mulch, leaves, sticks and grass). You can print and tape the template below or write your own on the lid of the egg carton.
- Rules of the activity are simple: kids will find those same items you have chosen and place in the spot right in front of the example.







RAD RECIPES - MOSSY BRANCHES

Ingredients:

- Pretzel "Rods"
- Chocolate chips
- Shredded coconut
- Green food coloring (and maybe a little yellow)

Directions:

- 1. First, you need to make the "moss". To do this, you need to chop your shredded coconut into tiny pieces. A food processor works best, but a knife will do the job just fine.
- 2. Once the coconut is all chopped up, add a few drops of food coloring until you've achieved the right shade of green. Feel free to a few drops of yellow to get the shade you want. Variations in color will help make the coconut look more like moss. A food processor is really useful for this step because you can add the food coloring while everything is spinning and chopping.
- 3. Finally, spread your coconut on a baking tray and toast in a 350 degree oven for 10-20 minutes—WATCHING THE WHOLE TIME! You want them to get a tiny bit brown and toasty, but be careful! These will go from toasted to burnt in seconds!
- 4. Take the coconut out of the oven and let cool to room temperature. They will crisp up as they cool.
- 5. Next, melt your chocolate chips. You can do this in a double boiler over the stove, or in the microwave. Whichever you prefer!
- 6. Once the chocolate is melted and smooth, it's time to assemble!
- 7. Dip a pretzel into the chocolate and cover about half of it. Shake off the excess chocolate—THIS IS VERY IMPORTANT! If you don't shake off the excess chocolate, then it will drip off and take all of the coconut with it!
- 8. After you have a thin, uniform coating of chocolate on the pretzel, roll the chocolate in the green coconut flakes. Then set aside to cool/harden. Enjoy!



More information: https://bit.ly/3gTxLQZ



Rad Recipes - Quick FernGully Smoothie

Ingredients:

- 1 Handful of Greens (kale or spinach)
- 1 Cup Unsweetened Coconut Milk
- 1/2 Cup Frozen Pineapple
- 1/2 Fresh Banana
- 1 Tbsp Peanut Butter



Directions:

- 1. Fill blender with all of the ingredients.
- 2. Pop on the lid and blend until smooth (30-60 sec).
- 3. Serve and enjoy!

Rad Recipes - Funfetti Popsicles

Ingredients:

- 2 cups vanilla greek yogurt
- 1/4 cup honey or maple syrup
- 3 tbsp milk
- 1/4 tsp vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup sprinkles divided

Directions:

- 4. In a medium bowl, mix together the yogurt, honey, milk and vanilla extract until completely smooth.
- 5. Add in 1/4 cup of sprinkles and mix until combined.
- 6. Spoon the mixture into your popsicle molds.
- 7. Add the extra sprinkles on top of the yogurt. Slide in a popsicle stick.
- 8. Freeze for at least 4 hours or until frozen.

Notes:

 Popsicle Amount: this recipe makes 6 – 3.1 ounce popsicles, depending on the size of your molds, you may need to make more or less of this recipe.

