



Nature Scavenger Hunt!

Start anywhere you like, around the Native Plant Garden, the Aspen Loop Trail, on the boardwalk. **Please remember to stay on trails and do not handle wildlife.** Take photos of what you find or simply check off the box & make a note.

Easy (1 point)	Medium (2 points)	Hard (3 points)
Who am I? (#1) <u>Hints:</u> I eat plant and animal matter You might find me under wood I have gills and live on land Your Answer: _____	Who am I? (#2) <u>Hints:</u> I am fuzzy I am native to Vancouver Island I help to pollinate local flowers Your Answer: _____	Who am I? (#3) <u>Hints:</u> I am the 2 nd largest slug in the world I have 27,000 teeth I am slimy and yellow I live in moist habitats Your Answer: _____
Native Species <input type="checkbox"/>	Plant growing out of the water <input type="checkbox"/>	Something having a meal <input type="checkbox"/>
Invasive Species <input type="checkbox"/>	Example of camouflage <input type="checkbox"/>	A feather <input type="checkbox"/>
Something spiky <input type="checkbox"/>	Something with an exoskeleton <input type="checkbox"/>	Mating behaviour <input type="checkbox"/>
Something slimy <input type="checkbox"/>	Something with antennae <input type="checkbox"/>	Something living in a shell <input type="checkbox"/>
Something taller than you (not a tree!) <input type="checkbox"/>	Animal track <input type="checkbox"/>	Animal with no legs <input type="checkbox"/>
Something fuzzy <input type="checkbox"/>	Fungi <input type="checkbox"/> Who am I? (#1)	Animal with no legs <input type="checkbox"/>

Bonus! Name your favourite native plant! (1 pts) _____

Bonus! Name your favourite native pollinator! (2pts) _____

Bonus! Name one endangered or rare species on site (3pts) _____



If you have access to a smartphone, you are encouraged to bring it and download the iNaturalist and Seek apps (QR Code to the left!). The latter is an educational tool designed to train students in species identification and nature journaling without needing to post to iNaturalist.

Total Score: _____

Definitions:

Camouflage: a way for species to visually disguise themselves. Often, the species will blend in with the colours in its surroundings.

Decomposition: The process of breaking down dead animals and plants

Habitat - a place where a plant or animal lives with the things it needs (e.g. food, shelter).

Insects - six-legged animals without a backbone, but a hard outer shell (exoskeleton)

Native species: Species that reached their location without assistance from people.

Invasive Species: any living thing (bacteria, plant, animal, fungus) that lives in a place because it was brought there by people and is causing problems in the new place.

Pollinators - animals that visit flowers to feed. When they feed, they also move around the flowers' pollen which then allows pods or fruits that make more plants.

Answers

- 1) Isopods
- 2) Bumblebees
- 3) Banana slugs

