

LET'S EXPLORE

At-Home Challenges

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Become an Urban Farmer!

☐ Visit your local farmers

market and talk with any farmer. Ask questions about their farm, what they like about farming and why. Find markets here:

https://farmfreshatlas.org/search

<u>/?&et=market</u>

Grow your own food!

Plant a fruit or vegetable in your own garden or in a pot. Watch it grow, nurture it, and eat it!

☐ Visit Troy Community Gardens!

502 Troy Dr., Madison WI 53704

Find 3 vegetables or fruits that you recognize. Using inspiration from the Troy Garden plots, design your own garden! Include fruits and veggies you would grow, flowers, and habitat for animals.



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Become an Ecologist!

Identify plants! Explore your own nature-hood and find 2 plants that you have never seen before. Use an app like iNaturalist, a field guide, or the internet to learn what they are. Are either of them invasive?

Explore your own nature-hood

(backyard, patch of grass outside your door, park down the street) and record by drawing or making a list of all the living and non-living things you can. What sorts of animals do you think this habitat can support? How could this habitat be more diverse?

☐ Visit your local park!

Find Madison Parks here:

https://www.cityofmadison.com/parks/find-a-park/ Visit 2 different habitat types. What are they? Which one has the most diversity and why? Take photos, write, or draw your observations of each habitat.



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Become a Horticulturalist!

Plant your own seed, nurture it, and watch it grow! Track its growth by taking photos, measuring its growth with a ruler, and recording observations by drawing, journaling, etc.

☐ Observe a plant grow with

time. Notice a plant growing in your nature-hood (backyard, small patch of grass outside your door, park down the street) in early spring. Track its growth by taking photos, making observations, drawings, journaling, etc.

☐ Visit Olbrich Botanical Gardens!

3330 Atwood Ave., Madison WI 53704

Talk with a volunteer or staff member and find out what they do, what they like about Olbrich, and why they are there.