

Sac County Conservation
KneeHigh Naturalist

DEER KIT



Deer Activities

Can you track down a deer?

Go for a hike and look for these clues to see if the deer have been around.



Deer eat branches in the winter. Look for branches ripped off. As a sign of a deer eating them.



Deer = Rip and tear, not clean cut

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Tracks show two toes and are about 2 inches wide and 3 inches long

Scat (Poop) is smooth and in pellets. Looks like chocolate covered raisins.



Deer grow thicker fur for the winter and thinner fur for the summer. Look for sheds of their fur from them changing in the seasons.



Male Deer grow and lose their antlers every year.



Deer Rub their Antlers on Trees Removing the Bark

Deer Craft

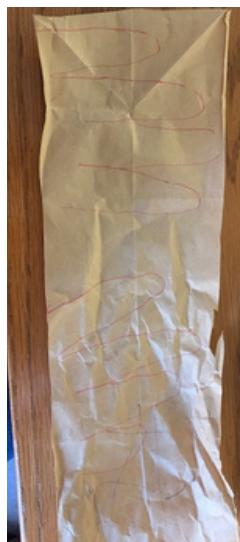
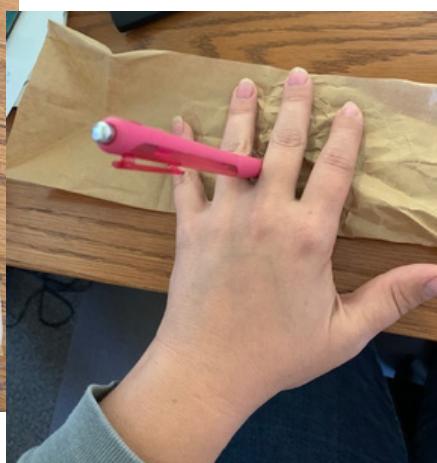
MAKE YOUR OWN DEER CARD

TURN THE PAPER BAG YOUR KIT CAME INTO A GREETING CARD! THE FIRST STEP IS TO CUT OFF THE FRONT AND BACKSIDE OF YOUR PAPER BAG. YOU WILL WANT TO CUT OFF THE LEFT AND RIGHT SIDES TOO AND THE BOTTOM.

THEN TAKE THE FRONT YOU CUT OFF AND FOLD IT IN HALF. (YOU CAN ALSO FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS WITH THE BACK TO MAKE A SECOND CARD)

USE ONE OF THE SIDES AND TRACE YOUR FINGERS ON BOTH HANDS. CUT THESE OUT TO USE AS ANTLERS. GLUE THEM TO THE TOP OF THE PIECE THAT IS FOLDED IN HALF. NEXT YOU WILL USE WHAT IS LEFT OF THE SIDE YOU TRACED THE ANTLERS ON AND TRACE YOUR THUMBS.

CUT THEM OUT AND USE AS EARS NEAR THE ANTLERS. FINALLY CUT OUT THE HEART AND DRAW ON THE FACE. GLUE ON THE FACE AND YOUR CARD IS COMPLETE!





Forest

TO THE TUNE OF "DID YOU EVER SEE A LASSIE?"

**IF YOU'RE EVER IN THE FOREST
THE FOREST, THE FOREST
IF YOU'RE EVER IN THE FOREST
YOU MIGHT SEE SOME DEER
WITH ANTLERS ON ONE;
ANOTHER ONE MIGHT RUN.
IF YOU'RE EVER IN THE FOREST
YOU MIGHT SEE SOME DEER.**

Suggested Reading

All About Deer

by Jim Arnosky

**A Stranger in the
Woods**

by Jean Stoick

White-Tailed Deer

by G.G. Lake