

What Can You Find: On a Summer Hike

Go out to enjoy the hot summer weather and see what you can find!

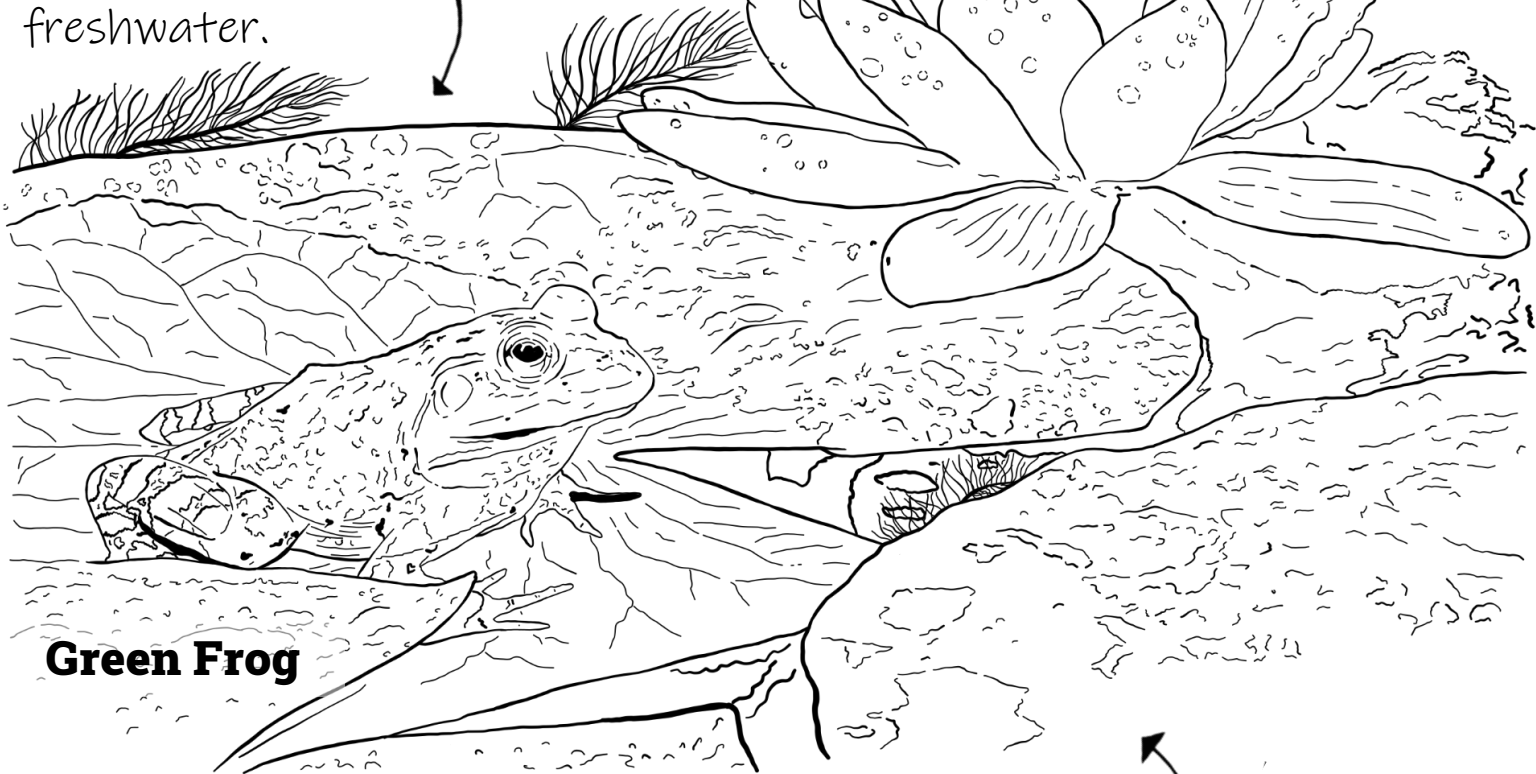
Make sure you bring plenty of water and are properly dressed.

Sometimes, it can be hard to enjoy being in nature if you are not prepared for heat, humidity and insects!

White flower with yellow center.

Sweet-scented Water Lily

Green frogs are common throughout Ohio, typically found wherever there is a clean supply of freshwater.



Green Frog

Typical call of the Green Frog sounds like a quick pluck of a string.

Look for frogs hidden among the lily pads!

For more visit: FairfieldCountyParks.org

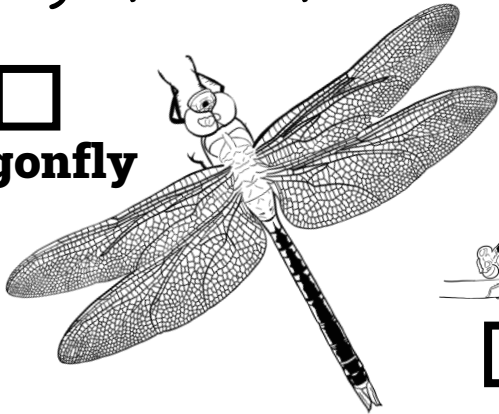


A Summer Hike: Around a Wetland

Here are just a few of the most common things you may find in and around a wetland!

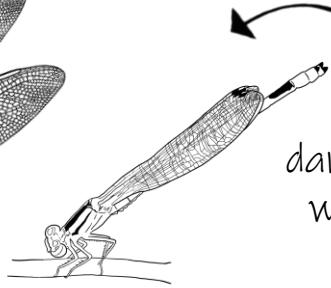


Dragonfly



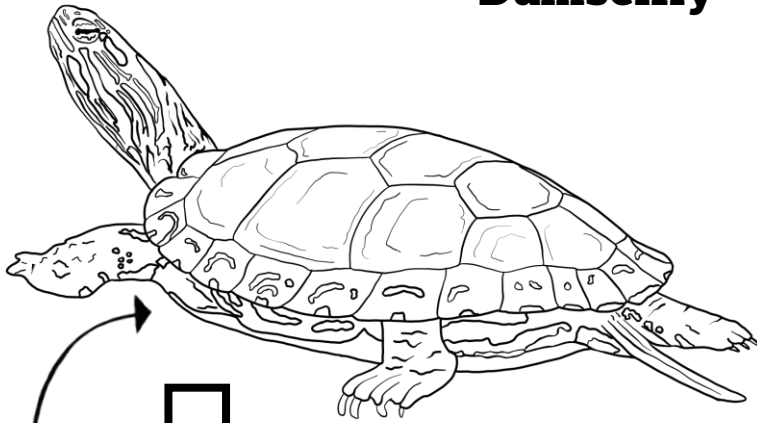
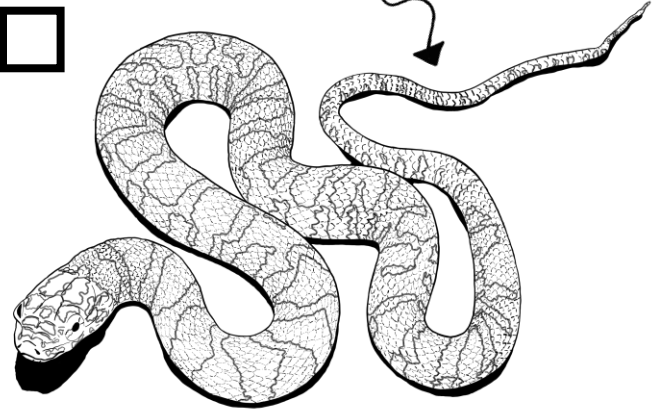
Dragonflies are typically larger than damselflies, and usually hold their wings to the side while at rest.

Damselfly



Northern Common Watersnake

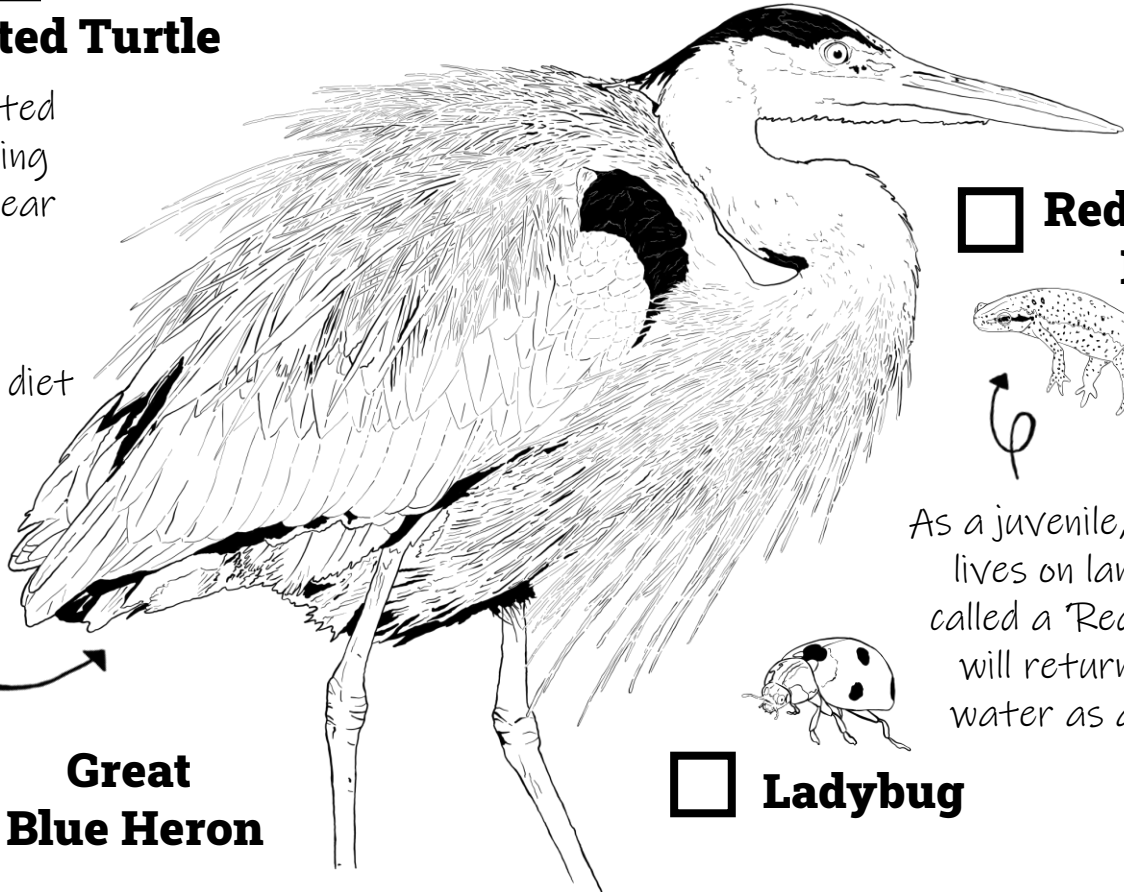
Very common non-venomous snake found throughout Ohio.



Painted Turtle

Look for Painted Turtles sunning themselves near water.

This heron's diet includes fish, frogs, small mammals, reptiles and even other birds!



Great Blue Heron

Red-spotted Newt



As a juvenile, this newt lives on land and is called a 'Red Eft.' It will return to the water as an adult.

Ladybug



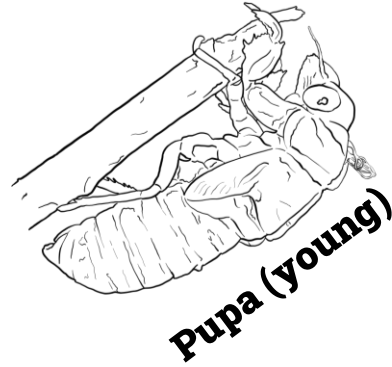
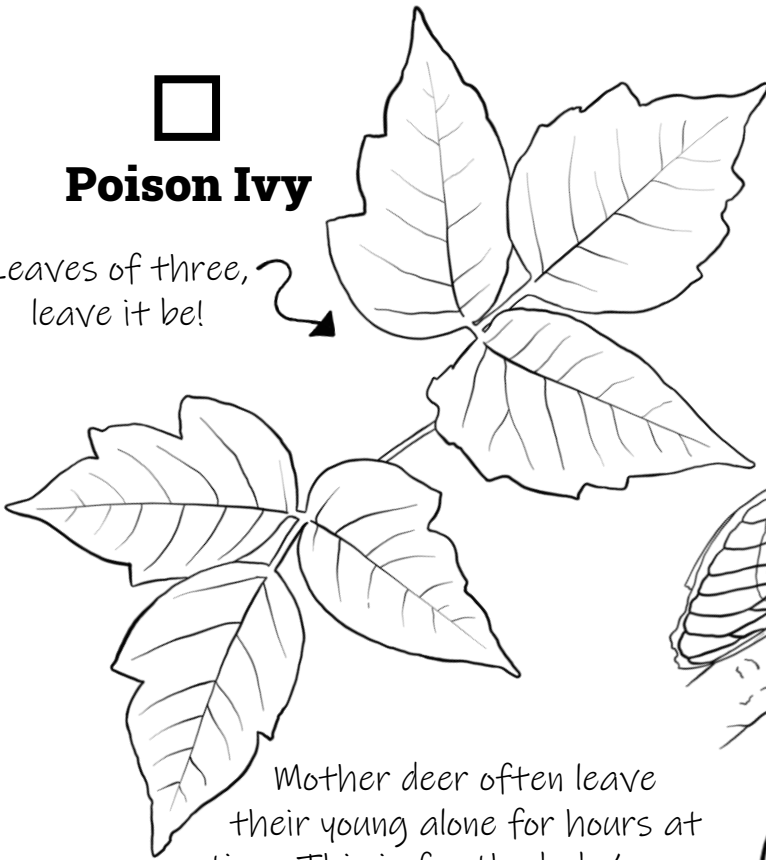
A Summer Hike: In the Forest

Here are just a few of the most common things you may find in and around the forest!



Poison Ivy

Leaves of three,
leave it be!

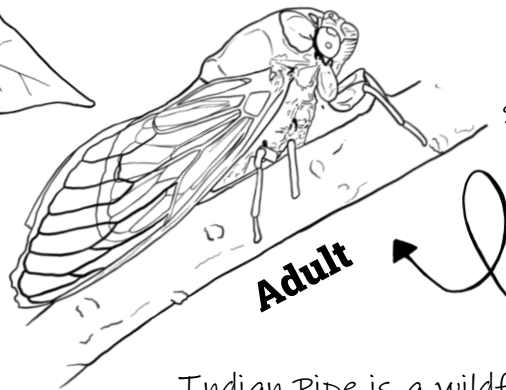


Pupa (young)



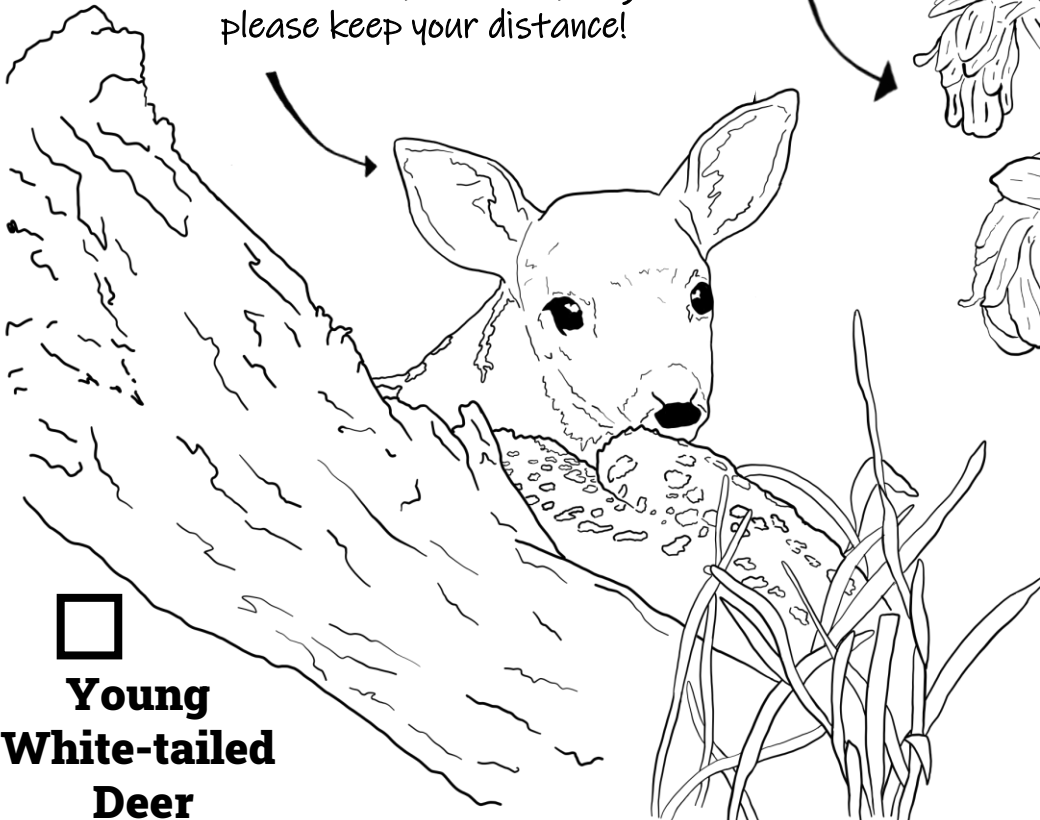
Annual Cicada

Annual cicadas show up every year in Ohio. Males are quite loud, while females remain silent.



Adult

Mother deer often leave their young alone for hours at a time. This is for the baby's safety. If you see a young deer, please keep your distance!



Young White-tailed Deer

Indian Pipe is a wildflower that cannot make its own food. Instead, it gets its nutrients from a fungi that lives nearby.



Also called 'Ghost Plant.'



Indian Pipe

Your Wild Life



Go outside and draw something in nature that you find interesting. Then tell us something you learned about what you found. Next, take a photo of this worksheet and visit www.fairfieldcountyparks.org/nature-connection for submission instructions.

You and your finding may be featured in a future activity guide!

Your name: _____

Today I found...

Name of what you found

And learned...

Tell us something interesting about what you found
