Naturalist Resources

Host a Naturalist home evening with friends. For information contact info@earthleaders.org.

Books for Adults: The Role of Naturalist in the Life of a Child
- *Last Child in the Woods* by Richard Louv
- *Sharing Nature with Children* by Joseph Cornell
- *Wild Play: Parenting Adventures in the Great Outdoors* by David Sobel
- *Closer to the Ground: An Outdoor Family’s Year on the Water, in the Woods, at the Table* by Dylan Tomine
- *Coyote’s Guide to Connecting with Nature* by Jon Young
- *Wild in the City* by Mike Houck

Field Guides for Adults and Older Children: Learning More about Nature
- *Birds of the Willamette Valley Region* by Harry Nehls, Tom Aversa, and Hall Opperman.
- *Trees to Know in Oregon* by Edward Jensen, Oregon State University
- By Pat Lichen:
  - *Passionate Slugs and Hollywood Frogs: An Uncommon Field Guide to Northwest Backyards*
  - *Brittlestars and Mudbugs: An Uncommon Field Guide to Northwest Shorelines & Wetlands*
  - *River-Walking Song Birds and Singing Coyotes: An Uncommon Field Guide to Northwest Mountains*

Local Nature Activities for Adult and Child

- **Our Big Backyard Magazine & Nature Updates**
  Published by Metro, this periodic magazine describes opportunities for the family to experience nature in a multitude of ways. To subscribe to the print magazine, or Nature Updates by e-mail instead, visit: [http://www.oregonmetro.gov/news/read-summer-issue-our-big-backyard-magazine-0](http://www.oregonmetro.gov/news/read-summer-issue-our-big-backyard-magazine-0)

- **Portland Parks: Ladybug Nature Walks**
  Fridays, February to November, with guided naturalist, ages 2-5, $4
  [https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/64625](https://www.portlandoregon.gov/parks/64625)

- **Forest Park Conservancy: Discovery Hikes**
  Regular Discovery hikes appropriate for kids 10+, Kids’ Hikes 4-10, mostly free with a few regular hikes that are $10.
  [http://www.forestparkconservancy.org/forest-park/events](http://www.forestparkconservancy.org/forest-park/events)

- **Friends of Tryon Creek**
  Guided Nature Walks (ages 3-6), Story and Stroll (ages 2-6)
  [http://www.tryonfriends.org/explore-tryon-creek](http://www.tryonfriends.org/explore-tryon-creek)

- **Leach Botanical Garden: Honeybee Hikes**
  Ages 2-6 with adult, $3

- **The Intertwine**
  Interactive online map of every park and natural area in the greater Portland area:
  [www.theintertwine.org/explore](http://www.theintertwine.org/explore) (be sure to click the “Explore” button after you check your boxes) or [www.theintertwine.org/adventures](http://www.theintertwine.org/adventures)