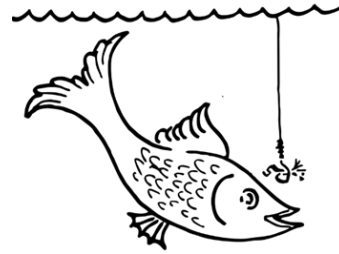


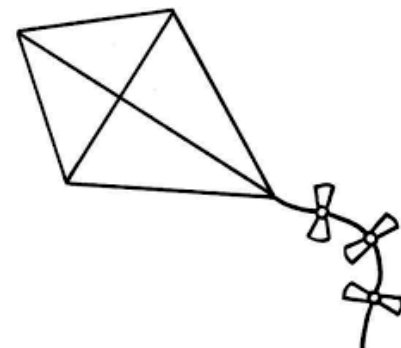
125 Ways to Celebrate CPW's 125th Anniversary



1. Visit a fish hatchery
2. Feed the fish at a fish hatchery
3. Take a kid fishing [Take Kids Fishing](#)
4. Have a great catch? Identify it and take a pic!
5. Climb a tree!
6. Catch a firefly! [Fireflies of Colorado](#)
7. Identify a bird species! <https://ebird.org/home>
8. Identify a species of plants! [Colorado State University Plant Identification](#) / [Plant identification App](#)
9. Try paddleboarding or kayaking- do not forget your life jacket!
10. Go camping
11. Attend a night sky program or stargaze on your own- how many constellations can you identify?
12. Participate in a history festival in your area or at a local park. Discover who lived on this land before you did.
13. Go for a hike! Afterwards, look up any plants or wildlife you saw that you could not identify.
14. Get an autograph from your favorite Colorado Parks and Wildlife employee and ask them about their job
15. Attend a [wildlife viewing festival](#) such as Bighorn Sheep Fest in Georgetown, Sandhill Crane Festival in Monte Vista, Moose Day on the Grand Mesa, or Elk Fest in Estes Park
16. Learn to identify a type of wildlife track
17. Try [geocaching](#) at a state park
18. Watch a Colorado Parks and Wildlife [Wild Classroom video](#) on YouTube
19. Paint a rock to brighten up your garden, or leave one around your neighborhood as a [kindness rock](#)
20. Learn the phases of the moon
21. Find a [hike or swim](#) for you and your furry friend
22. Check out our [species profiles](#) and learn about a new Colorado animal that you didn't know existed.
23. Enjoy an outdoor picnic
24. Instead of a snowman, make a snow deer, snow raccoon, or your other favorite snow animal.
25. Go on a walk and look for signs of wildlife such as tracks, nests, scat, fur, etc.
26. Skip a rock on a local pond or river
27. Find the colors of the rainbow in nature
28. Observe an animal from a safe distance and write down what they are doing
29. Sketch a plant
30. Attend a campfire talk
31. Check out the CPW Calendar at <https://cpw.state.co.us/aboutus/Pages/Calendar.aspx> to find a fun event to attend near you
32. Don't have a parks pass but want to visit a state park? [Check out a State Park backpack](#) at your local library.
33. Follow CPW on Facebook, Instagram, or Twitter
34. Sit quietly with a pair of binoculars to observe what is around you close up
35. Let nature inspire you to write a poem
36. Learn how to build a campfire (but check fire restrictions first!)



37. Try a new recipe to cook over a campfire or camping grill
38. Visit a designated Dark Sky Area
39. Learn something new by reading the signs on a self-guided park or hatchery tour
40. Participate in [Take a Friend Fishing](#) Contest
41. Participate in [Take a Friend Hunting](#) Contest
42. Visit a State Park you have never been to before
43. Find a trail to walk along a creek
44. Hike for 125 minutes
45. Post outdoor recreation photos on your social media tagged with CPW 125th Anniversary
46. Invite friends over the next year to join you on an outdoor adventure
47. Go on an augmented reality outdoor adventure with Agents of Discovery at our [13 participating state parks](#)
48. Go for a bike ride
49. Draw Colorado's state animal or state flower
50. Play a game outside
51. Make your own pet rock
52. Make a crayon leaf rubbing.
53. Camp at home - set up a tent or build a fort in your home
54. Fly a kite
55. Splash in a puddle
56. Go bug hunting and try to identify a bug
57. Find and identify a fun new plant in your neighborhood
58. Take a picture hugging your favorite tree
59. Listen to the sounds of nature in the morning and again at night. What differences do you hear?
60. Go on a shapes walk - how many different shapes in nature can you find?
61. Make s'mores (microwaves work great too!)
62. Create a nature scavenger hunt
63. Make a snow fort
64. Complete the state parks hatcheries [passport](#)
65. View, hike, or research the highest point in Colorado: 14,433 feet — Mount Elbert
66. View, visit, or research the lowest elevation in Colorado : 3,315 feet — the Arikaree River at the state line
67. Colorado has many different ecosystems - visit an ecosystem you don't already live in <https://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/TR-Biodiversity.aspx>
68. Experience Colorado's outdoors in each season - what makes them different?
69. Take a [Hunter Education](#) Class
70. Meditate outdoors
71. Take a look at the fall colors or go leaf peeping
72. Take a mindful walk and make sensory observations of nature (sight, smell, sound, feel)
73. Take a selfie with your favorite landscape
74. Imitate a Colorado animal and have your friends/family guess who you are
75. Learn about the local indigenous lands you are on and learn about a wildlife tradition or story such as the Bear Dance of the Ute People
76. Dip your toes in a stream or lake



77. Collect some water in a cup and look at what bugs you find with a magnifying glass
78. Curl up in a sleeping bag and tell ghost stories
79. Learn a new campfire song to sing with family or friends
80. Look at the clouds and see what animals you see
81. Look for opposites in nature (example for something rough and something smooth, etc)
82. Walk on a fallen tree trunk like a balance beam
83. Plant a seed that will benefit a pollinator
84. Visit a xeriscape or native garden
85. Explore somewhere new on a walk
86. Download the iNaturalist app and record what you see
87. Visit [CPW Connect](#) and sign up for a volunteer project in your area
88. Find a quiet and cozy place to take a nature nap
89. Learn the [7 Principles of Leave No Trace](#)
90. Teach someone else about the [7 Principles of Leave No Trace](#)
91. Watch a bird at a birdfeeder
92. Sit under a tree and imagine the other living things that have enjoyed its shade
93. Watch a river flow and try to spot fish swimming in its current
94. Pick up litter!
95. Complete the Adventures as a Young Naturalist coloring book or become a Junior Ranger at a state park
96. Follow a state park on Instagram
97. Learn to read a bird call (search online for bird spectrogram)
98. Get a stamp in a state park passport book
99. Learn about a type of pollinator
100. Learn to whistle using blades of grass
101. Attend an education program at your local state park
102. Go fishing!
103. Keep a nature journal
104. Skip during your next walk
105. Learn your cardinal directions using the sun
106. Smell a pine tree
107. Ask a park employee where their favorite spot is in the park
108. Try to make an echo with your voice
109. Find your favorite color flower
110. Make a walking stick and decorate it
111. Make kitchen utensil bubble wands
112. Stage an outdoor family photo shoot
113. Get a pair of solar-filtering eclipse glasses and put a note on your calendar to check out the annular eclipse on 10/14/2023 or the total solar eclipse on 4/8/2024
114. Make a [pinhole projector](#) to safely view the sun
115. Take a photo in nature using different filters on your phone. Which do you like best?
116. Play flashlight tag
117. Hula hoop outside
118. Make tree bark rubbings



119. Sit outside, close your eyes and notice the sounds of nature around
120. Go horseback riding at a state park (you don't even need a horse!):
<https://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/HorsebackRiding.aspx>
121. Go snowshoeing! Some parks offer rentals such as [Sylvan Lake](#) or [State Forest](#).
122. Try [ice fishing](#) <https://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/Fishing.aspx>
123. Learn archery by attending an archery clinic - check out our [events calendar](#)
124. Measure a plant throughout the spring and summer and see how much it grew
125. Download the LeafSnap app to learn all the trees in your neighborhood

