



Green² Troops: Cadette Outdoor Art Apprentice Badge

Purpose: Learn to see nature through the eyes of an artist and create meaningful art outdoors while keeping your work sustainable and waste-free.

Overall Green² Strategies

- Materials: Use only found, natural, or upcycled materials.
- Tools: Bring reusable sketchbooks, pencils, and brushes instead of single-use supplies.
- Leave No Trace: Create temporary art in nature or use biodegradable materials.
- Sharing: Document art digitally instead of printing.

Step 1 – Explore Outdoor Art

Goal: Discover different types of outdoor art.

- Take a virtual tour of outdoor sculptures, murals, and land art.
- Visit a local park or nature trail and photograph existing art installations.
- Use a reusable notebook or digital app for sketches and notes.

Step 2 – Make Something to Keep Outdoors

Goal: Create art designed to remain in nature.

- Arrange leaves, rocks, or sticks into patterns (leave them in place).
- Build small sculptures from fallen branches or driftwood.
- Use only natural string or twine if something needs binding.

Step 3 – Create Art That Moves

Goal: Make art that interacts with wind, water, or light.

- Make wind mobiles from shells, sticks, or bottle caps.
- Use reflective upcycled metal or glass for light-catching pieces.
- Photograph the art instead of keeping it to avoid waste.

Step 4 – Create a Nature-Inspired Performance

Goal: Use the outdoors as a stage.

- Write and perform a short play or poem inspired by your surroundings.
 - Use reusable or upcycled costumes and props.
 - Invite an audience digitally instead of printing programs.
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Step 5 – Share Your Outdoor Art

Goal: Inspire others with your creations.

- Host a walking art tour in a park or garden.
 - Share photos or videos online with eco-friendly tips.
 - Create a troop digital gallery rather than printing an art book.
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At-Home & Family Connection

- Make a nature-inspired art piece in your yard or a local park with your family.
 - Teach a sibling how to make natural paint from berries, beets, or turmeric.
 - Share your finished piece in a family digital photo album.
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Waste-Free Wrap-Up

- Reflect as a troop: How did creating outdoors change your view of art?
- Pass along extra supplies to another troop or school art program.
- Leave all art in nature to break down naturally or take it apart for reuse.

