



# NATURE DETECTIVES



## Hello Nature Detectives - are you ready to explore?

Today, let's discover trees. Remember to look closely with your eyes, both up towards the sky and down to the ground, and be gentle with your hands. Enjoy!

## Tree-rific Trees:

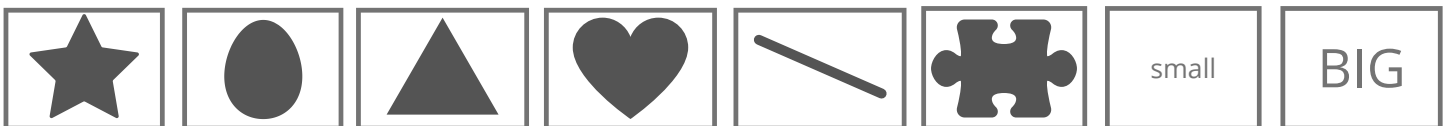
**Begin your detective work** by figuring out where your adventures will take you.

Look around, do you see any trees at Jenkins **Arboretum** & Gardens? We have LOTS of trees everywhere! Trees are in our name (arbor = tree) and taking really good care of our tree collections is our game. We help trees and trees help us in return:

 Trees clean the air and give us oxygen to breathe. Trees give us shade and shelter.

 Can you think of other ways that trees help us?


**LOOK** for tree leaves that are the following shapes and sizes:




## Trees look different depending on the season:

 In summer, all trees have leaves

In autumn, some tree leaves turn colors and then fall off

 In winter, trees that kept their leaves are called **evergreen**  
trees that lost their leaves are called **deciduous**

 In spring, leaves start growing again

? What season are we in now?

? We love leaves but can you name some of the other parts of a tree?

What else do you notice about trees in each season? **LOOK** for clues other than leaves.

**Wildlife needs trees** just as much as we do! Many insects, mammals and birds use trees for food and for homes. Can you spot any wildlife using trees?



? What was your favorite part about discovering trees today?

 Find something cool? Share your detective skills with us: @JAGardens, #JenkinsArboretum