GREEN REDMOND DAYS: DISCOVERING YOUR LOCAL FOREST

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DAY 1: OVERSTORY
- Identify and take a photo of one deciduous and one coniferous tree in your neighborhood
- Research and write about three benefits trees provide

DAY 2: UNDERSTORY
- Identify and take a photo of two native shrubs: one deciduous and one evergreen
- Research and write about three native shrubs that produce edible berries

DAY 3: FOREST FLOOR
- Identify and photograph two different species of native ferns
- Research and write about why "leaf litter" is important on the forest floor
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**DAY 4: SNAGS AND NURSE LOGS**

- Find and photograph a "snag" in your local forest
- Research and write about what a "nurse log" is and the benefits they provide to the forest

**DAY 5: WILDLIFE**

- Capture a photo of a native bird in your local forest
- Write about your favorite interaction with wildlife you've had in a Redmond Park

**DAY 6: COMMUNITY**

- Find a "Future Healthy Forest" sign in a Redmond Park and take a photo with it
- Write about why you believe it's important for the community to take part in forest restoration activities
DAY 1: Deciduous trees refer to trees that lose their leaves each year, and coniferous refers to cone-bearing trees, which are often, but not always, evergreen.

DAY 2: A shrub refers to a medium-sized woody plant, which unlike trees, grow shorter in height and have multiple stems.

DAY 3: Some common native ferns you may find in your local forest include: sword fern, lady fern, and deer fern.

DAY 4: A "snag" is standing dead or dying tree which provide important habitat for wildlife, and also add nutrients to the soil as they decompose naturally over time. (Farrel McWhirter Park has some great examples of snags and nurse logs.)

DAY 5: Some examples of common native birds that can be found in Redmond's forests include: Black-capped chickadees, Pileated woodpeckers, Brown creepers, House sparrows, and many more.

DAY 6: Our active Green Redmond sites where we have been conducting forest restoration work are designated with "Future Healthy Forest" signage. Some parks where you will find these signs include: Farrel McWhirter Park, Viewpoint Open Space, Juel Park, and Westisde Park.

To submit your completed activities please visit www.greenredmond.org or email us at greenredmond@forterra.org