

Welcome to Flower Frenzy! In this class packet you'll learn all about the native flowers found on Nantucket! Activities will include nature exploration, scientific study, and crafts. If you pick up this packet in-person at the LLNF at 110 Eel Point Rd, then all materials will be provided in the packet. Everything in the bag is yours to keep, please do not return anything to the pick-up box.

You can also download this packet from our website and follow along with the instructions, even if you are not on Nantucket, but you'll need to provide your own materials.

Activities included:

- Flower Frenzy Scavenger Hunt
- Botanical Field Drawings
- Flower Craft



Flower Frenzy Scavenger Hunt

Materials:

- Scavenger Hunt Card
- Colored Pencil or other writing implement

Instructions:

On the next page is a scavenger hunt full of native Nantucket flowers. All of the species can be found on our property but many can also be found elsewhere if you downloaded the packet and are following along from home. Walk on the LLNF trail or somewhere else in nature to try to find these flowers!

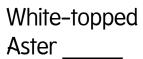


Scavenger Hunt: Flower Frenzy Edition!

All of these flowers are native to Nantucket and provide food and habitat for many animals. See if you can find them!



Goldenrod







Late Purple Aster





Yarrow ____

Sickle-leaved Golden Aster



Botanical Field Drawings

Materials:

- Cardstock drawing paper
- Colored pencils or other drawing implements
- Flower to observe. Can be an indoor plant, outdoor plant, or even a cutting (cuttings of goldenrod have been provided in the packet as an example)

Instructions:

Create a botanical record of your nature walks by drawing a flower you see. First go out in nature and find a flower to observe. Second, try to draw it on your card focusing on its unique characteristics. Then, once you've created your field drawing, you can use it to try to identify the species you observed! Go Botany (https://gobotany.nativeplanttrust.org/) is a helpful resource for this. You can also decorate the front and back of the card and hold on to it as a keepsake or send it to a friend or family member as a gift!



Flower Craft

Materials:

- Paper Cup (*pre-cut if picking up packet at LLNF, otherwise you'll need scissor and something to make a hole*)
- Pipe Cleaner
- Pom pom
- Marker or other drawing implement

Instructions:

If you picked up the packet at LLNF, then your paper cup is already precut and you can skip this next step. Otherwise, using scissors make four cuts (one on each side) from the top of the cup (rim) down the side. Cuts should go about halfway to three-quarters of the way down the side, but should not go all the way to the bottom. Using a pencil or similar width object, make a hole in the bottom of the cup, as close to the center as possible.

Then, fold each cut section of the cup's sides back to create your four flower petals.

Next, take your pipe cleaner and fold it in half. Push the end that has the bend through the bottom of the hole in the cup. Place the pom pom in the center of the loop created by the pipe cleaner and twist it so that the pipe cleaner cannot be pulled back out of the cup.

Congratulations! You now have a flower petal and a stem. To finish the craft, decorate the petals with your marker or other drawing implement.

