



MCF'S SCUDDER PRESERVE

Scavenger Hunt Collaboration with New Jersey Climate Week



Welcome to Scudder Preserve! As you explore the trails, use this scavenger hunt to see how the land, plants, water, and wildlife are working together to create climate-resilient ecosystems.

Submit a picture of your finished scavenger hunt to education@monmouthconservation.org for a chance to have it posted onto our social media channels! Together, we can #KeepMonmouthGreen.

CAN YOU FIND



1 A REALLY OLD TREE

Sometimes, these are trees that are very large or tall. Trees can store carbon in their bodies and they give us fresh air to breathe. Where did you find this tree? How long do you think it has been growing here?

2 WATER AND LIFE

Find a pond, wetland, or stream. Count how many animals you see in or near the water. Why do you think water is important for wildlife?



What is one thing your family does at home to help save water?

3 SOMETHING RETURNING TO THE SOIL

Find something in nature that is breaking down in the dirt. Draw what you see:



What do you think will happen to it over time?

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4 A SHADY SPOT

Stand in the shade and then in the sun. Which feels cooler? How could trees help cool down a neighborhood?

5 NATURE'S CLIMATE SUPERHEROES

Scudder Preserve has forests, bioswales, wetlands, meadows, ponds, and streams. These natural features do more than provide beautiful places to explore. They are climate superheroes that store carbon, reduce hot temperatures, slow and absorb stormwater, protect soil, and support wildlife.

What's your favorite area at Scudder Preserve?

Draw it here:



Tell us why you love it!
