

# What's the big idea

The big adventure is for the Beaver scouts to go out in the wild and observe real wild animals up close. So, the adventure is three fold - the knowledge of animals and their trails and signs, finding the animals and observing them unseen and taking photographs to show you have been successful. Ideally, the Beavers will be seeking the larger mammals but they can also seek birds both land based and sea birds.

In the 'tribe' the hunt is a very important part of survival and as a food source. However, all tribal people use their resources carefully and only hunt the food that is needed. The thrill of the hunt, the tracking of animals, finding their location and competing in the wilds has always been the skill of hunting.



## The Hunt

Forest Life



### Ideas on what to do

#### Plan

Ask the Beaver Scouts if they have ever seen a wild animal up close that wasn't in the Zoo? See have they any ideas as to why they wouldn't have seen one. Ask if they have ever taken a photograph of one?

#### Do

Before going out you will need to show them how to sneak in the woods and how to use camouflage. You can sneak by using some simple ideas like going slow, not stepping on noisy things like twigs, keeping low and by walking into the wind to keep down wind. Use leaves and small twigs to camouflage. Try to get as close as possible and then take a photo

#### Review

When the Lodge gets back look at the photographs they took and see what they learned about sneaking up on animals

### Comments

Try to best places in the area to go bird watching.

### Resources

Twigs and leaves for camouflage. Camera. Binoculars