



COUNTRY PARK

Dinosaur Crafts



We know how much guests love our dinosaur walk, that's why we are going back to pre-historic times for this weeks crafts!

Transport back to the Jurassic era with these dino inspired activities which include Egg Carton Dinosaurs, Homemade Dino Eggs, Salt Dough Fossils and Ice Excavations!



Egg Carton Dinosaurs

Things you will need:

- Egg carton
- Small hole punch
- Pipe cleaners
- Acrylic Paint
- Googly eyes (you could use paint or a marker pen)
- Coloured paper
- Scissors
- Glue



1. Cut your egg carton in to parts so you have different body sizes. Try 2 cups for a longer dino and single cups for smaller ones.
2. Paint the outside of your cups whatever colour you want your dinosaurs to be and let dry.
3. Bend a pipe cleaner to make spikes making sure both ends are bending down.
4. Make two small holes in your dinosaur. One being at the bottom on the back and another one on the opposite side as high up as the hole punch will reach.
5. Insert the ends of the pipe cleaner into the holes and bend them around your cup to secure them in place.
6. Add your eyes and a jagged bit of paper for the teeth.

Hatchable Dino Eggs

Things you will need:

- 1 cup flour
- 1 cup water + 4 cups boiling water
- Newspaper strips
- Balloons
- Paint/bits and bobs to decorate



1. Mix together the cup of flour and 1 cup water until mixture is runny.
2. Once combined, add to your 4 cups boiling water and simmer for 3 minutes. Allow to cool before using. Make sure an adult does this!
3. Whilst the paste is being made, the kids can tear up strips of newspaper. Strips should be about 1 inch wide and the length doesn't matter.
4. Once the mixture is cooled, dip each paper strip into the paste and wrap around the balloon. You want to have at least two layers, and allow each layer to dry before starting the next.
5. Let the egg dry for a couple days. Once it is dry you can pop the balloon and remove from the egg.
6. All that is left to do is decorate your egg in any way you like. Experiment with the shape of your egg to create hatched eggs as well as whole ones!

Salt Dough Fossils & Ice Excavation

If you have any small dinosaur skeletons or dinosaur replicas, try these fun activities!

Salt Dough Fossil

- Dinosaur skeletons
- 1 1/4 cup salt
- 5 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 cups water



1. Put the salt and flour into a bowl and add your water.
2. Mix and knead the dough thoroughly to work out any lumps. Don't be afraid to use your hands! If it is too sticky, add more flour and if its too crumbly, add more water.
3. Roll out a generous ball of dough to resemble a roundish shape. Press your dinosaur skeleton into the dough and remove once it has made a print.
4. Bake the fossil in the oven at 350 degrees for 45 minutes.

Ice Balloon Excavation



1. Turn your balloon inside out, place your toy on the bulb of the balloon and turn it back around whilst holding the toy in place. This can be quite fiddly.
2. Fill the balloon with water, tie it and pop in the freezer, careful not to squish it or it will lose its shape!
3. Now the kids can use different tools and objects to excavate the dinosaurs from the ice. Why not try different objects such as gem stones?