

Explore the Museum Like a Scientist!

You're the Collector!



For Families and Groups with Young Visitors

These activities are designed to spark your curiosity and encourage you to think like a scientist. When scientists are curious they: **look closely, ask questions, compare, collect information,** and **test ideas.**

Explore the *Cabinet of Curiosities* exhibit and create your own science collection!

While exploring the exhibit, find...

- an animal with feathers
- an animal with a shell
- an animal with slimy wet skin
- an animal that swims
- an animal with a long tail
- an animal that climbs

Find a favorite animal. To find out more about your favorite animal, look it up in a field guide. Look in the nearby bookcases to find a selection of field guides.

While exploring the exhibit, find...

- a plant with a woody stem and branches
- a plant with flowers
- a plant with needlelike leaves
- a plant with cones

Find a favorite plant or flower. To find out more about your favorite plant or flower, look it up in a field guide. Look in the nearby bookcases to find a selection of field guides.

While exploring the Museum, find...

- a rock or mineral from outer space
- a rock or mineral with a fossil
- a rock or mineral that is a precious gemstone
- a rock or mineral that is shiny and glassy

Find a favorite rock or mineral. To find out more about your favorite rock or mineral, look it up in a field guide. Look in the nearby bookcases to find a selection of field guides.

When you go home, start your own science collection with what you find in your backyard. You're the scientist so **collect information, observe, document, compare,** and **explore further.** What are **YOU** curious about?