



BRODHEAD WATERSHED ASSOCIATION'S
Newbie Naturalist
at CHERRY VALLEY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE

SCAVENGER HUNT

A fun outdoor challenge for children and their families.

How many of these natural features and plants can you find?

Print this page and use the clues and pictures to help you find these items within Cherry Valley National Wildlife Refuge. CVNWR is at 2158 Croasdale Road, Stroudsburg, Pa.

Find six habitats ...

What is a habitat? A habitat is the natural home of plants, animals, insects, and other creatures. Habitats provide everything a creature needs to live — food and water, shelter, and space to find mates and raise young. Different creatures need habitats with different qualities — fish need creeks, bears need forests, worms need moist places in the earth, for example. Sometimes people help create safe habitats, like nesting boxes for bluebirds.

BRUSH PILE

This pile looks quite twiggy
it may even seem piggy,
but where dry branches abound
birds and mammals are found.

NESTING BOX

A safe place to raise
eggs the mama bird lays
can be found in this box,
out of reach of the fox!

MEADOW

Native grasses and “weeds,”
meadow flowers and seeds
loved by birds, bees and more —
need no trip to the store!

STREAM (AQUATIC) HABITAT

If you were a fish,
you could hardly wish
for a splashier place
to make your home base.

FOREST

Bears and deer and squirrels, too,
live here and eat here all the year through.
No matter how cold, no matter how hot
this is where home is, this is the spot.

WETLANDS HABITAT

Wetlands are perfect if you like wet feet —
like cattails and willows keeping cool in the heat.
Wetlands keep water from racing downstream
and naturally protect us from flooding extremes.

... and two native plants.

Native plants — from huge trees, to grasses, flowers and water plants — provide food and shelter for many creatures, from monarch butterfly caterpillars, to honey bees, to mammals large and small.



JOE PYE plants at the refuge
grow tall — actually, huge!
You can see them on roadsides
when you go on fall car rides.



After **MILKWEED** grows flowers
that then become pods,
the plant shows its powers
to draw insects quite odd!