

TWIG PICTURE FRAME



Twigs and branches can provide the framework for all sorts of activities and crafts. Large branches can be arranged to build forts, like in the Basswood Forest at ALNC. Twigs and smaller pieces can be used to make picture frames, such as in this simple craft.

On your next hike, gather twigs and make a picture frame for yourself or as a gift for someone else!

MAKE YOUR OWN TWIG PICTURE FRAME

Materials: Scissors, twine, tape or glue, rubber bands, ruler, mostly straight twigs

Directions:

1. To make a frame for a 4" by 6" photo, break 6-8 twigs to be about 6 inches long and 6-8 twigs to be about 8 inches long.
2. Arrange twigs into 4 groups (2 shorter and 2 longer) of about 3-4 twigs. Wrap rubber bands around each group of twigs.
3. Arrange the longer twig bundles to be on opposite sides of a rectangle. Do the same for the shorter twigs.
4. Wrap twine around a corner of the frame a few times then wrap it the other way around the corner, making an "X." Tie off the string and trim the loose end. Repeat on all corners.
5. Remove the rubber bands with scissors.
6. Tape or glue a drawing or photo to the back of the frame.