

# How to EXPLORE

- ✓ Choose your ecoEXPLORE Username. This should NOT include your last name and be easy to remember. Examples: dragonflydana; turtlet tracker007; wildadventurer.

My ecoEXPLORE username is: \_\_\_\_\_

- ✓ Sign up at [www.ecoexplore.net](http://www.ecoexplore.net) with parental permission. Stop by the library's front desk to pick up your first badge.

- ✓ See It! Snap It! Share It! ...and earn points!
  - **See It:** Go outside and find plants and animals to observe.
  - **Snap It:** Take photographs of what you find. Record where, when and what.
  - **Share It:** Email your photo, username and information to:  
[ecoexplore@ncarboretum.org](mailto:ecoexplore@ncarboretum.org)

- ✓ Earn one point for each photo observation or "Share" made. Earn up to four additional bonus points by:
  - Sharing an organism in the current field season;
  - Seeing an observation at a HotSpot;
  - Providing the correct identification of the species;
  - Including a clear photograph that shows what it is.

- ✓ Visit a GetSpot (including Madison County public library's front desk) to redeem your points for field tools, including binoculars, insect nets, selfie stick units and more!

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## Madison County Public Library MegaSpot Guide






Join today at [www.ecoexplore.net](http://www.ecoexplore.net)  
and earn your first patch.

## HotSpots at the Madison County Public Library

Visit these ecoEXPLORE HotSpots to See It, Snap It, Share It.  
See back cover for more information.

Choose HotSpots based on what you are searching for:



-  Herpetology/Reptiles & Amphibians
-  Entomology/Insects
-  Ornithology/Birds
-  Botany/Plants

### DID YOU KNOW?

**Madison County public library is also a LoanSpot!** You can borrow special science equipment from the library just as you would check out a library book. Ask a staff member at the front desk for more details.