

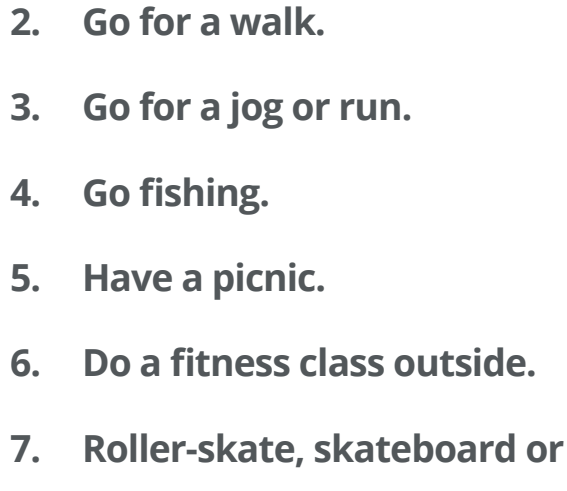
# 57 Affordable and Safe SUMMER ACTIVITIES

*During the Coronavirus*

As summer continues, you may be running out of ideas to keep yourself or the whole family busy. Below are some great outdoor activities to keep you busy... but not broke.

## FOR EVERYONE

### 1. Go on a bike ride.



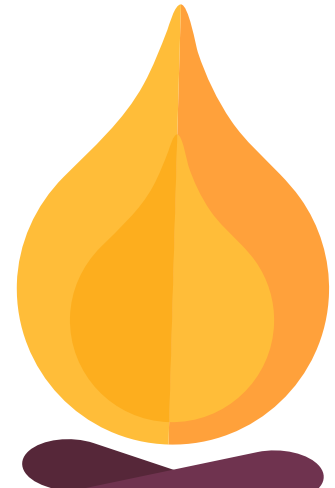
- Go for a walk.
- Go for a jog or run.
- Go fishing.
- Have a picnic.
- Do a fitness class outside.
- Roller-skate, skateboard or longboard.
- Go for a scenic drive.
- Get an inflatable pool, easy setup pool or temporary pool – Adults can relax on a pool raft or you can also get fun pool toys and games for the kids to enjoy!
- Go to a lake or beach.

### 11. Go camping.



- Get creative with your landscaping or outdoor space – add birdhouses, electric or gas fire pits, decorations, flowers, DIY seating options, etc.
- Build A Sunflower House - If you have the room outside, create a beautiful place to sit under the flowers with a sunflower house.
- Plant a vegetable or flower garden.
- Make your own homemade ice cream or popsicles.

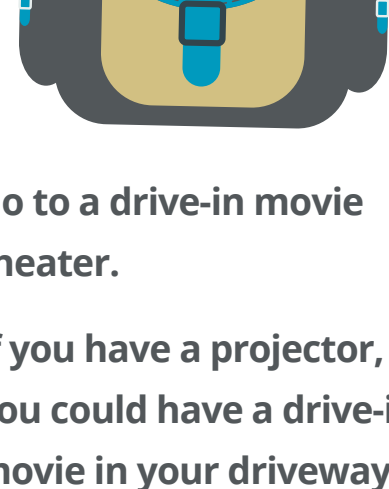
### 16. Have a bonfire.



- Buy a basketball net – Shoot some hoops, play basketball games such as horse or make up your own!
- Driveway Tailgate – Hold tailgate get-togethers in your own driveway to maintain social distancing, but still be social. Have each person bring their own snacks and drinks and pull up a chair. Add in some music, maybe a fire pit and you're all set. Just be sure you are within your local ordinances for your town.
- Stargaze – Pick a warm, clear evening, grab some blankets and bug spray and head out to the yard to lie down and look at the stars.
- Go somewhere to watch the sunrise or sunset.

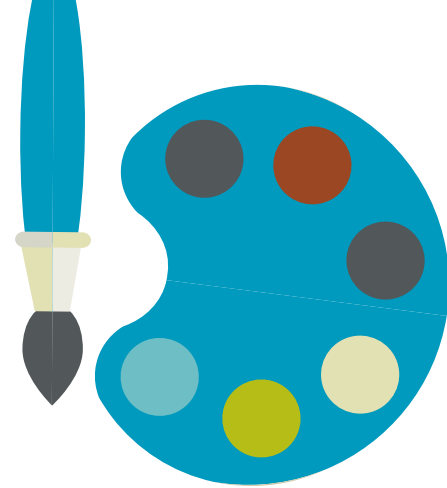
- Kayak, canoe or paddle board – don't have one? Ask a family member, friend or neighbor to borrow theirs.
- Rent a boat for half a day or ask to go on a family member's or friend's boat.

### 23. Take a hike.



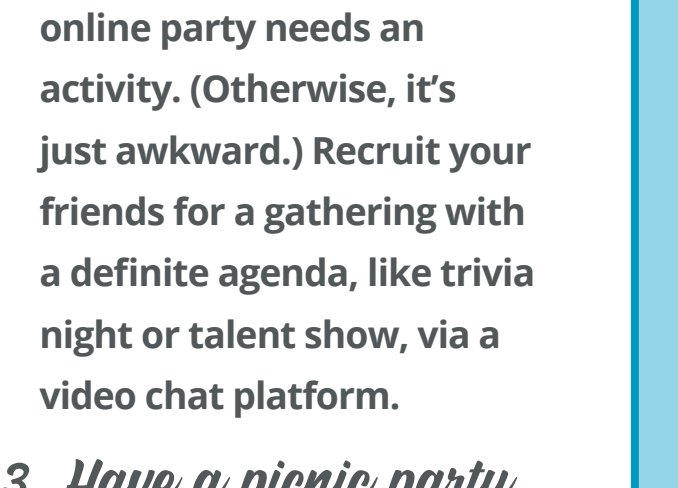
- Go to a drive-in movie theater.
- If you have a projector, you could have a drive-in movie in your driveway. Just project the movie onto your garage door while staying appropriately distanced.
- Rent a waterfront Airbnb.
- Try something creative with paint — like [hydro dipping](#), [fluid art](#) or [tie-dyeing](#).
- Paint or draw outdoors.

### 29. Organize a backyard painting class where everyone can work on easels while staying appropriately distanced.



- Host a public park cookout – Get a small group together and keep your distance at one of America's many public parks that also happen to offer basic grills for anyone's use, while staying appropriately distanced.
- Play corn hole. If you do not have a set, make your own. Cardboard is plentiful, and bean bags are easy to make.
- Take your party online and outside. A successful online party needs an activity. (Otherwise, it's just awkward.) Recruit your friends for a gathering with a definite agenda, like trivia night or talent show, via a video chat platform.

### 33. Have a picnic party, where every person brings a big blanket and are spaced out around each other with their own food and drinks and enjoy music together.



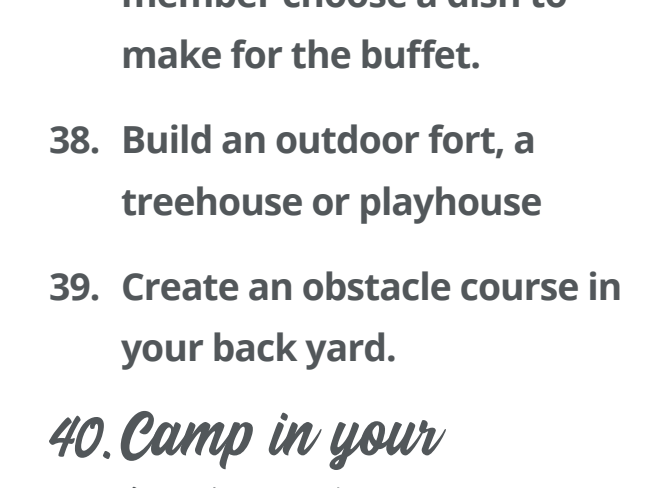
## FOR FAMILIES

### 36. Fly a kite with your family.



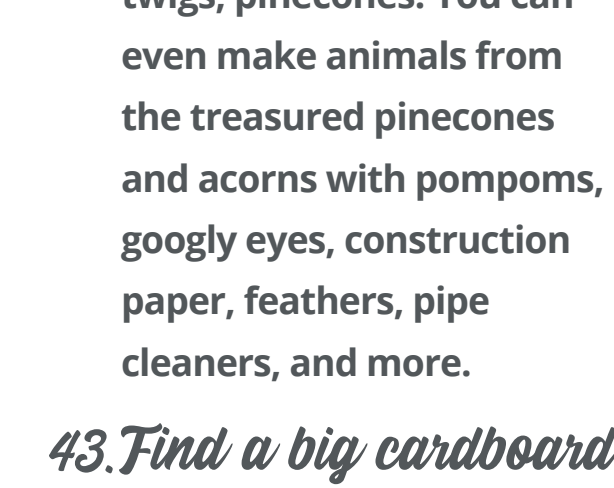
- Have an outdoors buffet party – Make meals fun with a buffet party that the whole family can be involved in. First, decide on a theme, for example, meals from around the world, or even just each family member's favorite dish. Then have each family member choose a dish to make for the buffet.
- Build an outdoor fort, a treehouse or playhouse
- Create an obstacle course in your back yard.

### 40. Camp in your backyard.



- Have your children attend virtual day camps – Many organizations that offer traditional summer camps have switched to offering virtual versions. Reach out to your favorites and ask!
- Decorate a shoebox and go on an adventure collecting favorite rocks, acorns, twigs, pinecones. You can even make animals from the treasured pinecones and acorns with pompoms, googly eyes, construction paper, feathers, pipe cleaners, and more.

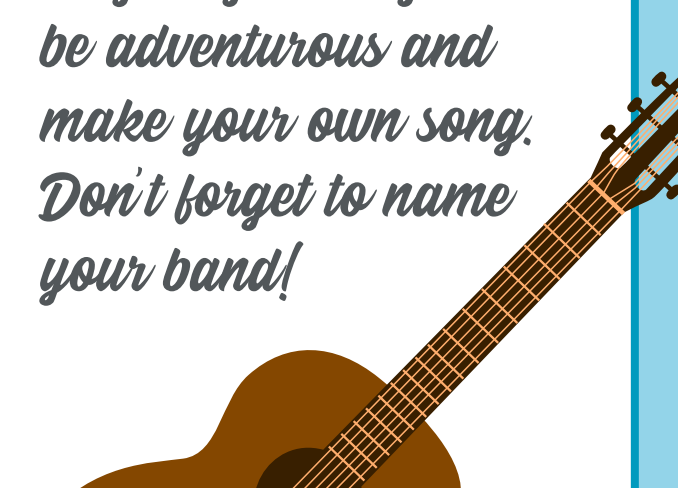
### 43. Find a big cardboard box and cut out a window in it. Let your kids decorate it if they like and have them create their own sock puppets and put on a Have an outdoor puppet show for the whole family to enjoy!



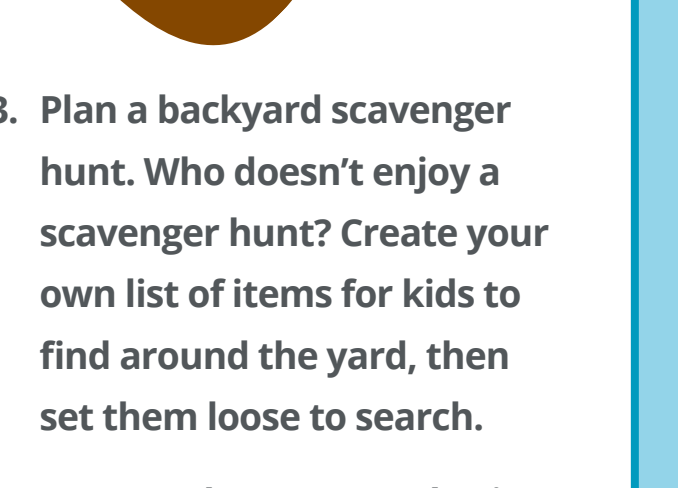
- Collect rocks and paint them with uplifting pictures and words. Then walk around your neighborhood or apartment complex and place the rocks in yards, by doors, or near sidewalks for passerby's to enjoy. This activity is simple, creative, and will get you out for some exercise. Most importantly, it is a beautiful way to connect with others while social distancing.
- Chalk it up – Buy a bucket of sidewalk chalk and let your kids safely draw to their hearts' content on the sidewalk or in a safe part of the complex or building's parking lot. Let them create the biggest art project they can imagine or write some inspirational messages for the neighborhood to enjoy. You can even chalk out a hopscotch court and turn it into exercise.

- Play sprinkler twister.
- Have fun with Hula hoops and jump ropes games.

- Play balloon tennis. No racquets? No problem. Use your hands, which is great for hand-eye coordination.
- Potato sack races: an old game with a few old pillowcases equals endless fun.
- Three-legged races: team up adult and child and see who wins!
- Egg race – a few spoons and a few hard-boiled eggs and a relay! Plus, it's a perfect protein snack when you are done!
- Bubbles, Bubbles, Bubbles! Everyone loves bubbles. Make giant wands and homemade bubbles mixed with some dishwasher detergent. Chase them. Pop them. Marvel at the rainbow of color in each! Check out a fun tutorial [here](#).
- Do some backyard science experiments. [Discovery World](#) has plenty of ideas. Everyday household items like baking soda, vinegar and food coloring are fair game for science experiments for kids of any age. Find your next project on websites like [Science Fun](#) and [Science Bob](#).
- Form a family band with your own or DRY instruments and play outside – There are many ways to make your own instruments at home. Search DRY instruments on your computer to get some great ideas. Have each family member create and decorate their own instrument, then start making music. Try to copy easy sing-a-longs or be adventurous and make your own song. Don't forget to name your band!
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