

SCAVENGER HUNT

North Park

HOW TO PLAY:

Take your scavenger hunt sheet to the following park and complete each activity. You can complete on your phone while you are at the park at pittsburghymca.org/scavengerhunt hunt, or upload your photos and complete any remaining questions when you get home!

North Park – 303 Pearce Mill Rd, Allison Park, PA 15101

The aptly named North Park in northern Allegheny County is a popular spot for those looking to enjoy a day out for hiking in the woods, walking along the paved lake path, or taking in one of the many other activities available. Get familiar with some of the wildlife at one of Pittsburgh's most popular parks during your scavenger hunt there.

- How many butterfly benches can be found along the nature trail? Bonus if you can list the species that the benches represent! **13**
- Did you know there is a Wetland that you can visit in North Park named the The Wahdo:gwas Wetland? Visit the Wetland You get 2pt for each name of a creature that lives there you identify? **20**
- North Park is a great place to view birds and you can even see Bald Eagles in the park! Visit Eagles Nest Shelter and measure your wingspan to see how it compares to a Bald Eagle. Take a picture of your wingspan. **15**
- Let's get excited for Camp at the Y! Check out the playground outside of the North Park Lodge. Enjoy some time on the swings and slides, and play with the shapes and colors spinners on the playground. Line up the tent, barn and cherry and take a photo of you and your family in front of that combo! **17**
- **Bonus** If you travel down Tennis Courts Road, you will come across a grouping of a specific type of tree around Latrobe Shelter. What type of trees are these and can you take a picture in front of one? **12**
- What species of bird live in the special chimneys scattered throughout the park? What is a nickname for these birds? **13**
- Radical Reptiles! Can you name at least 3 of the reptile species shown on the wetlands sign along the nature trail? **18**
- Purple Martins are a common species of bird in the park. These insect eating birds can live in gourd-like bird houses. How many purple martin houses are located on the pole by the Eagles Nest Shelter? **10**
- Leftover fishing lines and hooks can be dangerous for local wildlife. North Park has provided an easy way to dispose of leftover fishing materials. Take a photo of one of the containers that people can use to dispose of fishing supplies. (Hint: We are not looking for a garbage can! These are specific containers located around bodies of water.) **17**
- North Park summer camp is back this year! Camp will be held in the North Park Lodge. Outside of the lodge you will see a large water tower. Though the observation deck has been closed to the public since the 1970's, it is still sight to behold! According to the sign on the tower, how tall is the highest point on the dome? **15**
- North Park was founded in 1931. Though it wasn't the first of the Allegheny County Parks, it is the largest with over 3,000 acres of land and at one time held the world record for largest public pool. How many gallons of water did this pool hold? **14**

