

Try these sensory activities —

### ☀️ T-SHIRT CHALLENGE

Can you match the color of your shirt to something in nature? Try to find at least three different matching natural materials!

### ☀️ COLOR CHANGE

Use a little bit of water on the bark, stems, and leaves of the trees. Pay close attention, do the colors get darker or lighter? Please remember to use water sparingly— our trees are alive and sensitive!

### ☀️ EARTH SONGS

Close your eyes and listen. What sounds do you hear? What sounds are being made by something in nature (not man-made)?

### ☀️ SENSORY SCAVENGER HUNT

Can you use your senses to find these items?

#### SMELL

- < Flowers
- < Pine

#### SIGHT

- < Blue
- < Pink
- < Purple
- < White
- < Green

#### SOUND

- < Leaves in the wind
- < Birds
- < People

#### TOUCH

- < Smooth bark
- < Rough bark
- < Waxy leaves

## MANOR FIELD PARK

### Sensory Guide



With the help of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, the Town of Huntington has planted 84 new trees in Manor Field Park. These trees have many different smells, textures, and colors, and even make different sounds in the wind. Can you use your senses to discover and explore the park's new trees?



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## Meet the trees —



### EASTERN WHITE PINE

This tree is an evergreen; its leaves won't change color or die in winter. Identify this tree by counting five needles in each bundle. **Sensory tip:** Use your nose to smell the needles!

### LACEBARK ELM

Identify this tree by its peeling bark and pointed leaves. **Sensory tip:** Notice the colors of the leaves in autumn!



### RED MAPLE

Identify this maple by its leaves. Each leaf has five lobes and red stems. **Sensory tip:** Notice the red stems and autumn leaf color!

The ginkgo's unique leaves make it a sight to see! **Sensory tip:** Feel the thickness and the ridges of the leaves.

### GINKGO



### EASTERN REDBUD

Redbuds have medium-sized heart-shaped leaves and darker bark. **Sensory tip:** Look for small, bright pink flowers in Spring.



### SILVER & LITTLELEAF LINDENS



Silver and Littleleaf Lindens have small heart-shaped leaves and lighter bark. **Sensory Tip:** Smell the flowers, feel the



smooth bark and soft leaves.



### CHERRY

Small, brightly colored flowers make the Cherry a beautiful find. **Sensory tip:** Notice the colors and smells of the flowers in spring!



### LILY MAGNOLIA

This tree has fuzzy purple buds and flowers in spring. **Sensory tip:** Notice the colors and smells of the flowers.

### SWAMP WHITE OAK

Identify these leaves by their rounded, shallow lobes.

**Sensory tip:** Look for acorns!



### RIVER BIRCH

Look for light, peeling bark and pointed leaves on this tree. **Sensory tip:** Notice its impressive autumn color, feel the bark.