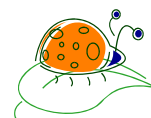


How to Make Friends with a Tree

Here are 10 steps to help you make friends with a tree. Not just any tree – a special tree that you find yourself and are friends with forever.

- Step 1 Find a tree that looks special to you. Don't ask anyone to help you choose. You'll just know when you find it.
- Step 2 Give your friend a big hug. Shake hands with your friend if it has low branches!
- Step 3 Close your eyes and run your fingers up and down the trunk. How does your friend feel?
- Step 4 Crush a leaf, close your eyes and use your nose. How does your friend smell?
- Step 5 Stand quietly under your tree and think about the sounds you hear. What other creatures are friends with your tree?
- Step 6 What kind of tree is your friend? Use our Tree Finder's Guide to help!
- Step 7 Is your friend deciduous or coniferous?
- Step 8 Sketch your tree using 12 strokes or less.
- Step 9 Think of a nickname for your tree.
- Step 10 Enjoy your tree! Nobody needs to know what's special about your tree. That's between you and your new friend.



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