



ecoExplore

<https://www.ecoexplore.net/>

ecoExplore is a citizen science program developed by the North Carolina Arboretum so that YOU can gather important scientific data on plant and wildlife! It's simple:

- 1) Ask a parent to help you sign up at [ecoexplore.net](https://www.ecoexplore.net)
- 2) Go outside and find a plant or animal
- 3) Take multiple photos using a mobile phone or another device with a camera
- 4) Upload your photos on EcoExplore
- 5) Become a part of the scientific community!

Did you know? IT'S BOTANY SEASON!

Botany is the study of plants. Plants are living organisms that create their own energy using sunlight, water and carbon dioxide. For this reason they are known as producers. There are over 300,000 species of plants worldwide! Plants include towering trees, breathtakingly beautiful flowers and curious insect-eaters such as the venus flytrap (native only to North Carolina!).