

...Back at the Museum



Funky Fact:

Did you know archaeologists and historians can date the wood used inside a building? Every year a tree grows an annual growth ring inside the trunk. These can only be seen when the tree is cut down. Every ring is slightly different and you can count the rings. Rings found on wooden beams or floorboards can be studied by specialists and dated. This is known as dendrochronology or tree ring dating.



Wood from trees can be used in lots of ways. How many things made of wood can you spot inside the Museum? Make a list. See if you can also find some tools used for woodwork.

SPY

Do it!

Find the Spurs clock and look at the wooden carvings. How many creatures can you find?



SPY

Now go upstairs to the back gallery. Can you spot some more wooden carvings?



Can you find on display a well-known local story about an interesting group of trees? (Clue: a tube station is named after them)

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Staying in the back gallery, look down. Can you find something else made of wood? How old do you think it is?

SPY

You have completed the Bruce Castle Tree Trail

Well done!

If you enjoyed the Tree Trail here are some further activities

- Imagine you are a creature that lives in Bruce Castle Park. What would you do? What would you eat? What other creatures would you meet? Write a story about it.
- Find out how trees reproduce! Ask an adult, a teacher or look it up in your local library and then find the trees which produce the following: acorns, beech nuts, conkers, seeds, berries, cones.
- Think of all the things you have seen and learnt on the trail and have a go at writing a Tree Trail poem.

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Useful Websites:

- www.haringey.gov.uk
- www.tffh.org.uk
- www.btcv.org
- www.woodland-trust.org.uk
- www.teachingtrees.org.uk
- www.forestry.gov.uk

Bruce Castle Tree Trail



For this trail you will need: paper, wax crayons, string, ruler. You can pick these up at the museum before you start.

Come along and explore our special tree trail and see how many exciting things you can find out in Bruce Castle Park and Museum!

