Plastic Bag Kite

RASCAL'S RIVER Creative Expression



The Adventure:

A visit to the beach can be a lot of fun. We all enjoy building sandcastles, but there are other creative things that you can try with sand.

Use wooden skewers, some string, some tape and a plastic bag to create a small homemade kite! On a breezy day by the water's edge, this is a great project that can be a lot of fun to play with once it's made.

Your whole Lodge can make kites, and everyone can fly them all together!

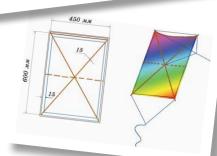
Online Resources:

- Plastic Bag Kites
- Leave No Trace
- Goop Up For Great, Safe Summer Scouting Adventures

Safety note:

- Because you are playing near the water's edge for this Adventure, consider this a water activity. How can your Lodge stay safe for any Adventure on or near the water?
- Usually when we go to the beach, it's on a bright, sunny day. What do you need to remember to stay safe when you are out in the sun?
- When making your kites, make sure your Scouters watch to keep you safe and help out when you need a hand.
- Ask your Scouters to cut off the pointy ends of the skewers before you begin making your kite.





Plan:

- When and where will you have this Adventure?
- What do you need to bring?
- What games can you play with your kites?
- How will you decorate your kites?
- What other things can you do at the beach?

Do:

- Make a cross with two wooden skewers. Use tape or string to fix the skewers together. One end of the cross should be longer than the other three
- With help from your Scouters, cut a plastic bag into a diamond shape.
- Make small holes in the plastic bag to put the wooden cross through. Tape the bag to the cross, or tie things together with string.
- Your finished kite will be about 20 cm tall (or the size of the skewer).
- Tie a very long length of string (on a spool) to the centre of the cross. Use this string to fly your kite.

Review:

- What do you know now that you did not know before?
- How well did your kite fly?
- What tricks did you use to get your kite in the air?
- How did you keep your kite flying?
- What other creative things can you do at the beach?



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