



Adventure forest for children Help, the forest is cursed!



Docus the Badger Adventure Trail

Run, climb, touch, enjoy, walk, relax, balance and discover. Come on an adventure!



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Can you help break the curse?





Come to this huge adventure forest with your dad, mum, grandma or grandpa, enjoy fun things to do and an exciting story. Take this map with you, answer the questions and learn lots about the countryside around you. The one and a half kilometre trail, which is semi-hardened, is also accessible for people with disabilities. The Docus the Badger Trail is accessible free of charge!

Can you help break the curse?

Docus the Badger needs your help. There's something strange going on in the forest. Ever since the forest witch dropped her magic potion in the lake, Docus can't find his friends anywhere. All the animals now think that they are a different animal. Docus is scared to go into the forest, in case he changes too. And the witch has said that the forest can only be freed by taking some water from the lake, and throwing it over the roots of the old magical tree at the end of the trail. Docus and the animals can't do it alone. Only children can safely enter the forest and touch the water. So, can you help free the forest and the animals? Will you help Docus?

On the way, you might see his animal friends doing strange things – things they would never normally do. Look for the deer sitting in a birds nest, or his friend the fox who is sitting on a lily pad in the water... That's not how things should be, is it? As well as climbing and clambering along the trail, you can also learn about nature on the way. Ask your dad, mum, grandma or grandpa for help if you need it. You can find the questions on this map. You'll learn all the answers at the end of the trail, near the magical tree.

If you've answered all the questions correctly, you'll win the title of Best Nature Quiz Player of the Adventure Trail! So do your best. Can you help break the curse?

Have fun!



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Tips!

- Bring a bucket or watering can with you, so you can also help to free the forest.
- Wear old clothes, or clothes you don't mind getting dirty or wet.
- You can enjoy a picnic on the grassy area at the start of the Adventure Trail. There are picnic benches here.

How do you get to the Docus the Badger Adventure Trail?

The entrance to the Adventure Trail is opposite the Charme 'Hartje Groen' Campsite.

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here's a large car park next to the trail. The trail is ignposted and very easy for everyone to follow.

Restaurants nearby

you fancy a bite to eat or a drink after you've nished walking the trail, there are a few nice places nearby:

- The Log Cabin at Charme 'Harte Groen' Campsite, opposite the entrance to the Adventure Trail (20 metres)
- De Heidebloem Recreational Park -Noordhoekstraat 5, Schaijk (2.7 km)
- 'Nieuw Schaijk' Restaurant Rijksweg 46 or 'Ons Eethuys' Restaurant - Rijksweg 36 in Schaijk (1.5km)
- 'De Kriekeput' Restaurant Schaijkseweg 3a Herpen (5 km)
- 'De Heische Tip' Campsite, Multifunctional Hall and Terrace - Staatsven 4, Zeeland (8.5 km)

Answers

Did you get the right answers to the questions on the Adventure Trail? Take a look below for the answers!

1 Name two reasons why woodpeckers peck at trees.	Woodpeckers peck at trees to find food. Pecking at the tree makes the insects come out. And woodpeckers also peck at trees to create a place for their nests. For themselves and for other birds.
2 A squirrel jumps from treetop to treetop. How does he steer himself when he's flying through the air, to make sure he lands on the right treetop?	When a squirrel jumps, he steers using his tail. His tail acts like a sort of rudder. That's how he makes sure he lands in the right tree.
3 A Scottish highlander has 4 legs. How many legs does a spider have?	All spiders have 8 legs. And did you know that other insects have 6 legs?
4 Which animals hang upside down?	There are many animals who can happily spend a whole day hanging upside down: bats, sloths, insects and some reptiles.
5 Do you know how a fish breathes under water?	Fish have a sort of underwater lung at the end of their mouths - it's called a gill. It can get the oxygen out of water. The walls of those gills are very thin, and they let oxygen through. The gills filter the water and that's how the oxygen gets into the bloodstream of the fish.
6 Why is it difficult to spot a deer in the woods?	The fur of a deer acts like a kind of camouflage - we call it a camouflage colour. Their spotted fur - brown with white spots - is difficult to see among the trees. A deer is a shy animal - they look around carefully to see if anyone's coming, and they sometimes run away. Because who knows - maybe that someone wants to hurt them.
7 Moles are blind. Do you know why?	Moles find their food underground, in their tunnels. When they're underground, they have to keep their eyes firmly closed, otherwise they'd get dirt in their eyes. And underground it is of course completely dark, so being able to see isn't necessary. They find their food through smell and touch.