

The New York Botanical Garden

Native American Walk Journal

Everything in life is a circle. Everything is alive—the animals, the birds, the plants on Earth and the plants of the seas, the water, the air and the stones—and everything must be respected. All things are part of Earth, which gives us everything we need. *Native Plant Story*

• The land was "as pleasant as one need tread upon."
Johann de Laet, Dutch Chronicler
 • "A convenient place abounding with grass..."
 • "A land excellent and agreeable, full of noble forest trees and grape vines."
Robert Juet (Henry Hudson's first mate)

- How could natural ecologies meet your basic human needs? Use this field guide to:
- Observe and discuss
 - Collect information
 - Record and draw

Name: _____

Life Along the Bronx River
 As you walk, use this key to identify some useful plant or animal resources.



Alewife Herring

Common Spicebush



Green Frog



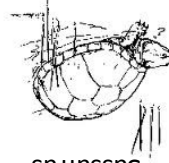
American Beech



Oak



Sassafras



Turtle



Hickory



Mallard



Sweetgum



Maple



Beaver

| My Needs: | Resources I use to meet my needs: | Native American Needs: | Resources Native Americans used to meet their needs: |
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1. Thinking about basic human needs, list *your* basic human needs in the chart below.
2. How might these needs differ from a Native American who lived here at least 400 years ago?
3. As you walk Native American laid trails at NYBG, find and identify resources *they* used to survive.

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