

# Spin Your Own Nature Spider Web

Spider webs are built from silk, which is produced within the body of the spider and pulled out of two openings—spinnerets—with the spider's hind legs. All spiders have two claws on their feet, but web-spinning spiders have three. This nature weaving activity combines creativity and the outdoors. It costs nothing and encourages children to problem solve while enjoying the textures and nature.



## Create your Own ...

### Materials

- Leaves off a long stem, like bamboo or a palm
- Glue or twine
- Scissors

### Steps

1. **Cut** all the **leaves** off a long stem, like bamboo or a palm, so that you have a long flexible stem to create the structure of the web.
2. Secure the stem into a circle by **gluing** it together or tying it with thin **twine**.
3. Use a long leaf to make a ring about the size of a 50-cent piece. Secure it together with glue, or twine.
4. Tie eight longer leaves onto the smaller ring from step 3. Spread the leaves out like the spokes on a bike or a fan.



5. Put the smaller ring in the middle of the larger circle and start tying the other leaf ends to the larger circle.



6. Cut any or excess leaves that are overlapping on the larger circle, leaving at least 1 cm free just in case it gets loose and you need to tighten it again.
7. Tie three leaves together making one very long leaf.
8. Tie one end of the long leaf onto the smaller middle ring and then weave the leaf through the others over and under, spiralling out towards the larger outer ring.
9. Tie it off once you get to the outside circle.
10. Make a spider by using nature and glue.
11. Attach the spider to the web using another leaf.
12. Share your creation with us [here!!!](#)