

COLLECTING BELT LOOP

Most of these activities can be completed at Fernbank Museum of Natural History. Don't forget to check your scout book to find additional activities on this subject and for ways you can use the Museum to work toward academic pins. You must complete all of the activities to earn your belt loop.

Be sure to get the approval of an adult before starting your collection. If you are collecting plants, leaves or rocks be sure that you aren't endangering yourself or disrupting the ecosystem.



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BEFORE YOUR VISIT

Make a list of things that you think would be interesting to collect. It can be anything that you find interesting. Baseball cards, stamps and coins are popular collectables, but you can also look to the natural world for plants or rocks as well.

Learn about the items you want to collect.

What makes them special to you?

AT THE MUSEUM

Fernbank Museum displays many different kinds of collections—from natural items, such as plants, shells and animals; to cultural artifacts such as those displayed in *First Georgians* and *Reflections of Culture*.

Which collection is your favorite? Why?

AFTER YOUR VISIT

Using what you learned at Fernbank and your list of items of interest, collect 10 or more items that have something in common.

Display your collection and explain the connection between the items.

What makes them a collection?

Are they the same color, from the same place, made of the same material?

Share what you have collected.

Display your collection to your friends, family, or at a pack or den meeting.