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Snake Bracelet

**Creature Crafting
Activity Guide**

Introduction:

There are over 3,000 species of snakes in the world. In Missouri, where Wonders of Wildlife is located, we have 47 different species and 5 of them are venomous. Do you know the difference between a poisonous and venomous animal? Venom must be injected through a bite or a sting. Poison must be consumed or absorbed. Snakes, scorpions, and spiders are venomous animals, while toads, frogs, and pufferfish are poisonous. Whether you want to a venomous or non-venomous snake species in this craft, here are the supplies you will need.

Supplies:

- o Paper plate
- o Cardboard toilet paper roll
- o Paints
- o Paintbrush
- o Permanent marker or pen
- o Red paper
- o Transparent tape
- o Scissors

How to:

1. Put 2 to 3 colors on the paper plate, a little goes a long way, so you don't need much paint.
2. Using a dry paint brush start painting all around your toilet paper rolls in any pattern or style you want. There are no two snakes that look the same so be creative!
3. Let your toilet paper roll completely dry. This should take 10-20 minutes.
4. This is the step where your creation really becomes a snake! Start at one end of the roll and cut a spiral around the roll using an upward motion all the way to the other end. Cut slowly and be careful with this step.
5. Once you are done cutting the tube, round off one end of the spiral to make the head of your snake.
6. Using the red paper draw a forked tongue and careful cut it out. Tape this piece to the underside of your snakes' head. An easy way to draw a snake tongue is to write a long "Y"
7. Lastly draw on their eyes and wear your new slithery creation!

Partners in Conservation: Here are some of our partners that can provide you more information about snakes!

- Missouri Department of Conservation
- Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies
- National Geographic Channel
- US Fish and Wildlife Service
- The Nature Conservancy
- USDA Forest Service
- National Park Service
- National Wildlife Federation
- Florida Fish and Wildlife
- Texas Parks and Wildlife
- Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency
- Native American Fish and Wildlife Society
- Alabama Fish and Wildlife Society