

## **ACTIVITY PACKET**

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MAGIC AWAITS YOU

FAMILIA IS EVERYTHING

NOTES OF NATURE

BE YOUR OWN KIND OF UNIQUE

**GROUP CHAT** 

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alt Disney Animation Studios' "Encanto" tells the tale of an extraordinary family, the Madrigals, who live hidden in the mountains of Colombia, in a magical house, in a vibrant town, in a wondrous, charmed place called an Encanto. The magic of the Encanto has blessed every child in the family with a unique gift from super strength to the power to heal—every child except one, Mirabel (voice of Stephanie Beatriz). But when she discovers that the magic surrounding the Encanto is in danger, Mirabel decides that she, the only ordinary Madrigal, might just be her exceptional family's last hope. Releasing on Nov. 24, 2021, the film is directed by Jared Bush (co-director "Zootopia") and Byron Howard ("Zootopia," "Tangled"), co-directed by Charise Castro Smith (writer "The Death of Eva Sofia Valdez"), and produced by Yvett Merino and Clark Spencer; the screenplay is by Castro Smith and Bush. "Encanto" features original songs by Emmy®, GRAMMY® and Tony Award® winner Lin-Manuel Miranda ("Hamilton," "Moana"); Germaine Franco ("Dora and the Lost City of Gold," "Little," "Tag") composed the original score.



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Hidden in the mountains of Colombia, is a wondrous, charmed place called an Encanto. It is in this special land that you will find an extraordinary family, the Madrigals, whose children are blessed with unique gifts from super strength to the power to heal through food. Three generations of the Madrigals all live in a magical house, Casita, where they are surrounded each day by the wonders of nature in their vibrant town.

Encanto welcomes you to explore the magical side of nature that is full of surprises and found throughout these pages. You will be enchanted as you step outside and see the world from a new perspective, recognize the special gifts of your own family members and learn about the incredible music and animals of Colombia. These activities and more await you in the pages that follow. Discover the magic for yourself and don't miss "Encanto" in theaters November 24th.





extraordinary family who wasn't blessed with a magical gift. She's determined to prove that she belongs—denying to everyone, including herself, that she feels all alone, even in her own house.

> Isabela is pretty much perfect with an abundance of grace and poise—not to mention a magical ability to make plants grow and flowers bloom.



Luisa, hardworking and athletic, was given the gift of super strength. She is the go-to person for all of the heavy-lifting.

#### ANTONIO

Antonio is shy with a huge heart. His kindness is matched only by his newly received magical ability to communicate with animals.







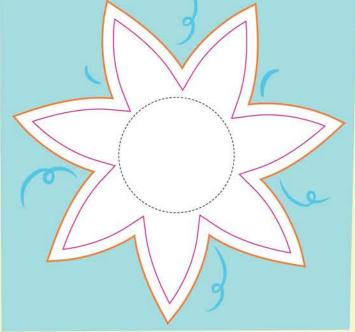


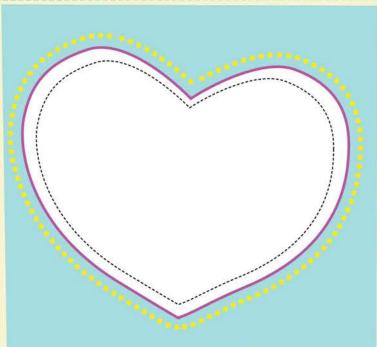


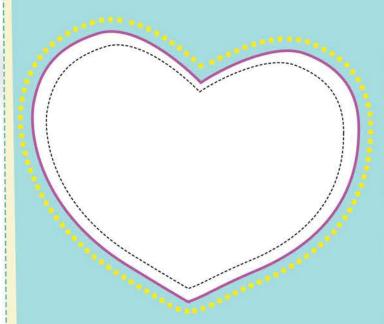
#### MAGICAL VIEWFINDER

With help from an adult, cut along the dotted lines of the shapes below. If you'd like, you may additionally add your own fantastical shapes or inspirational phrases along each design using crayons or pencils. Then, take these viewfinders outside to a nearby nature spot to begin exploring. Look at the natural world around you from a magical new perspective!









Encanto. You don't need a special gift to see the incredible sights found right outside your own front door. Take a moment and think of your favorite spot in nature. It could be a unique tree you enjoy sitting under, a shady meadow where you can watch the clouds drift by or even a rooftop garden where you grow vegetables. Have you ever thought of this spot as magical? Sometimes, all it takes is a new way of looking at the world to discover the magic that can be found in these special places. Head to the next page to create a special viewfinder to help you discover what makes nature so magical.



Draw your own viewfinder shape to color and cut out.





#### THE FAMILY MADRIGAL IS **UNLIKE ANY OTHER YOU'VE** PROBABLY ENCOUNTERED.

Three generations of Madrigals all live under the same roof in Casa Madrigal. The home and family are protected by the Encanto, a charmed place filled with wonder. The magic has extended to the Madrigals themselves as each child within the family is given a special gift on their 5th birthday that makes them extraordinary.

You and your family may not have astonishing abilities gifted to you by the Encanto, but that does not mean you don't provide one another with special gifts. Take a moment to recognize the amazing people who fill your life with wonder. What traits do they possess and how do they contribute to making your family or community so special? Perhaps you have a sibling who is positive and always keeps the family optimistic or a grandparent who provides wisdom based on their exceptional life experiences. Head to the next page to discover a unique family tree waiting for you to add the magic only your own family can gift.



# RECOGNIZE THE AMAZING PEOPLE WHO FILL YOUR LIFE WITH WONDER



#### FAMILY TREE

Showcase the special gifts of the people who make your life magical! Create your own unique family tree by writing their names or drawing a picture of them in the leaves below along with the gifts they share with you.

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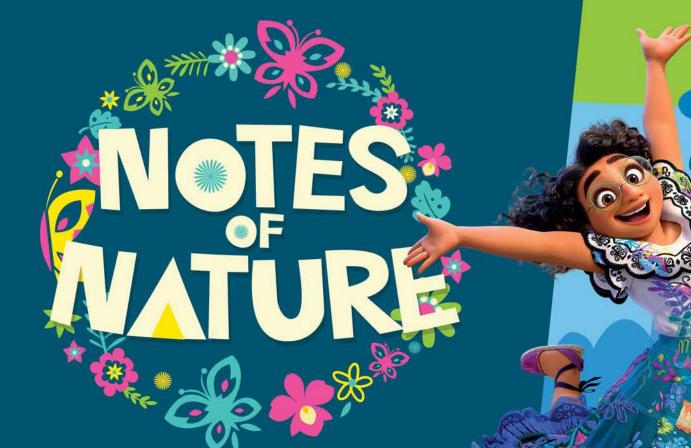
#### DON'T FORGET A **LEAF FOR YOURSELF!** What is your personal power?

Think about how you can use your How do you like to spend time with strengths to help your family and these special people in your life? inspire others to make a positive Go for a walk together to collect fallen difference every day. leaves and use them to add some decoration to your tree.

> Casa Madrigal is the home and root of Mirabel and her family's unique gifts, connecting them all to one another. Use the space below to write a name for your own family's casa that shares how special a place it is.







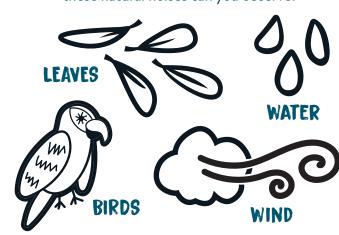
# SCAVENGER HUNT OF SOUNDS

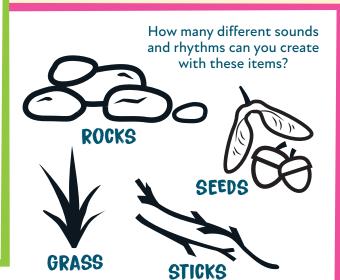
Head outside with an adult to see if you can complete this scavenger hunt of sounds. You may be surprised to hear how diverse all the notes of nature can be!

COLOMBIA IS KNOWN AS

"THE LAND OF A THOUSAND RHYTHMS"







### MIRABEL'S WORLD IS FULL OF THE SOUNDS AND RHYTHMS OF HER NATIVE COLOMBIA.

Throughout her journey, each step Mirabel takes almost hits a musical beat as the harmonies from original songs by Lin-Manuel Miranda and score by composer Germaine Franco fill her world with incredible music. It's no wonder the sounds in her life are so dynamic, as Colombia is often described as "the land of a thousand rhythms." Colombia possesses a unique backdrop for music that incorporates the cultural diversity within the country's regions and people. Blending Spanish, European, African and indigenous characteristics, the music of Colombia is original and unique.

Did you know the very first musical instruments were made of items found in nature? Modern music might be created a little differently today, but we can still hear sounds and lyrics inspired by the natural world in popular songs. From pop to rock and classical to country, you're bound to have heard rumbling percussion like a thunderstorm or melodies like morning birds. You can probably even think of a few nature-inspired song titles including words like sunshine, wind or waterfalls. Get in touch with your inner musician and spend time outside gathering inspiration for your next big hit.

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Listen for things in nature making these sounds. Draw the source of each sound.

BUZZING

WHISTLING

**TAPPING** 

SQUEAKING

Create a nature song from the sounds you hear outside. Compose it on the music sheet below by drawing lines for any long notes and dots for short ones. Were the notes you heard high-pitched or low-pitched? Place your lines and dots higher or lower on the music sheet to match.

Challenge a friend to play or sing your song by reading your sheet music!

Salto del Tequendama,

a waterfall in Colombia



### THE ENCANTO IS FILLED WITH THE MAGIC OF NATURE AND THE BEAUTY OF THE NATURAL WORLD.

Vibrant colors of flowers and trees are seen at every turn. Hidden and protected, the Encanto is a secret forest inspired by the incredible country of Colombia. Outside the film's colorful world, Colombia ranks as one of the most biodiverse countries with over 50,000 species found in its natural environments. From the heights of the Andes to the rainforests of the Amazon, Colombia's flora and fauna are unmatched. Unique animals such as jaguars, tapirs, condors and toucans all call Colombia home. In fact, some animals only call Colombia home. Endemic species, like the cotton-top tamarin, are not found anywhere else in the world!

The species found throughout the ecosystems of Colombia all have certain characteristics designed to help them survive and thrive in their habitats. These characteristics are called adaptations, and they allow animals to find food, move about their environment or defend themselves against predators. Head to the next page to discover some of the unique species of Encanto and identify the special adaptations each one possesses.





#### COTTON-TOP **TAMARINS**

Cotton-top tamarins are among the most endangered primates in the world. Both habitat loss from deforestation and the illegal wildlife trade have caused a rapid decline in cotton-top populations. In Colombia, the Disney Conservation Fund supports the conservation organization Provecto Tití to reduce the use of forest products and increase appreciation of this native monkey within local communities.

To learn more about Disney's conservation efforts with Proyecto Tití and other organizations visit www.disney.com/conservation



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# COLOMBIA'S FLORA AND FAUNA ARE UNMATCHED



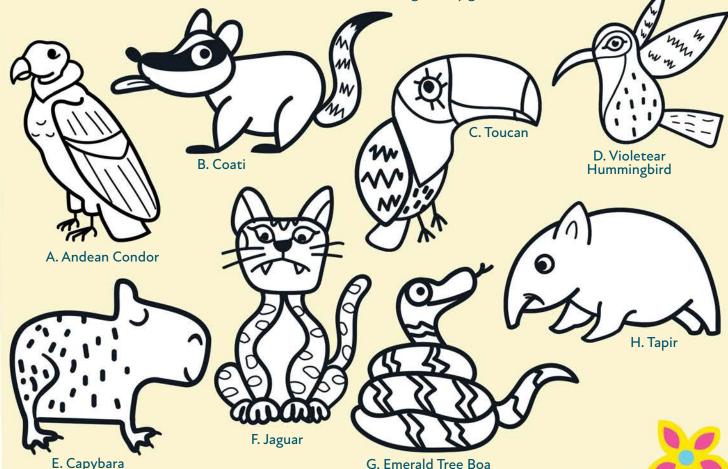
#### **COLOR THE ADAPTATIONS**

Adaptations are what helps make an animal special because there is no one size fits all solution in nature. In order to reach leaves from a tall tree, one species may have a long neck while another may have sharp claws that help them climb. Learn more about Colombia's unique diversity by matching the adaptation to the animal and coloring them in along the way.

- 1. Color the scales **GREEN** on the animal whose forked tongue helps it find prey.
- 2. Color the body **GRAY** on the animal whose nose can be used as a snorkel when underwater.
- 3. Color the fur **ORANGE** on the animal whose spotted pattern helps it camouflage in the rainforest.
- 4. Color the feathers **PURPLE** on the animal whose long, narrow beak helps them drink nectar from flowers.

- 5. Color the tongue **RED** on the animal who can climb because of its claws and short legs.
- 6. Color the feathers **BLACK** on the animal that has a hooked beak to help it eat meat.
- 7. Color the neck **YELLOW** on the animal whose large beak helps it warm up and cool down depending on the temperature.

8. Color the body **BROWN** on the animal who has webbed feet for swimming and walking along muddy ground.



Think about the unique animals where you live and compare them to the species on this page. Do the animals near you have similar adaptations like the species found in Colombia? Maybe there is an animal you see in your backyard that camouflages like the jaguar but uses stripes instead of spots.



#### MEET NELSON ALVAREZ

At 13 years old, Nelson joined the conservation organization Proyecto Titi's CARTITILLA school program to learn about critically endangered cotton-top tamarins in Colombia

and how to help these special little monkeys that live nowhere else in the world. Through all of Proyecto Tití's youth leadership programs, Nelson became a talented champion for nature, launching a door-to-door campaign to encourage his community to recycle, and organizing community projects to collect more than 1,000 pounds of recyclable materials and more than 2,000 plastic bags. Nelson continues to volunteer and raise awareness and support for both cotton-top tamarins and local artisans all while inspiring countless kids to be heroes for conservation.

Head to the next page to start your own conservation journey and find out how you can be a voice for nature.

#### ANTONIO IS A BIT SHY.

He's the quietest family member of the Madrigals. Though he confides with Mirabel, he is most excited when he has an opportunity to talk about his favorite animals.

On his 5th birthday, something incredible happens as he receives his special gift from Encanto, the ability to talk with animals. This opens a whole new world for Antonio as he interacts with his new friends from the natural world.

Even without the ability to talk directly to animals like Antonio, there are exceptional individuals throughout the world that are using their voice to speak for animals.

Passionate kids, teenagers and adults are working hard to ensure animals around the world are protected, including in Colombia.



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# ENSURE ANIMALS AROUND THE WORLD ARE PROTECTED



#### **USE YOUR VOICE**

Antonio, although quiet and introverted, has the bold gift of being able to speak with animals. Imagine you possess the same ability. What animal would you want to talk to and what would your conversation be about? While you may not be able to speak to animals, they still need you to speak for them. Using your voice is a great way to encourage others to take steps toward protecting wildlife!

Observe the animals in your backyard or neighborhood and draw the one that you would like to speak with in this space.

Write what you think the animal would say inside the speech bubble. Maybe it would ask for clean water to drink or trees to be used for shelter.

Add a drawing of yourself in this space.

Write what you would say on behalf of the animal in the speech bubble. Maybe you would encourage your neighbors to not litter or offer to help a friend plant a tree.

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