

“In search of carnivorous plants”—bog field trip (upper elementary/middle school)

Vocabulary (teachers may want to review these words/definitions with students before or after the virtual field trip):

- Carnivorous—something that eats only meat.
- Carapace—the shell on an animal’s back.
- Exoskeleton—a type of hard protective covering that exists on the outside of an animal’s body. Many invertebrates (animals without backbones) have exoskeletons.
- Pitcher plant—a type of carnivorous plant that has leaves that are modified to catch or trap small insects.
- Buttressing (of a tree)—wide trunk base or roots that prevent the tree from falling over
- Gall—a growth on a plant that is caused by insects
- Midge—a small fly
- Prescribed fire—Fire that is set, following very specific guidelines, as a management tool.