

FIFE ARMS

HOTEL



MAY ART ROOM

Creative Activities for Children & Families

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elcome to the Fife Arms May Art Room programme, a season of creativity inspired by map-making, adventure and the fresh energy of spring to be enjoyed in the magical landscapes that surround Braemar.

As the Cairngorms shift into longer days and brighter light, we look to the Croft Rooms which celebrate rural life, connection to land, and the rhythms of the seasons. Spring has always been a time of renewal and movement. Maps help us understand where we are – and imagine where we might go next.

Throughout May, children and families are invited to become explorers. From designing imagined treasure maps to exploring tucked-away spaces within the hotel, each activity invites young adventurers to uncover what might otherwise be missed.

Our Creative Trails extend this adventure beyond the Art Room. Follow the Spring Adventure Treasure Trail through the hotel's artworks and hidden details. Hone your detective skills with our Explorer's Scavenger Hunt, recording landmarks and textures for your own map. Step outside on the Braemar Spring Flower Nature Trail, where seasonal blooms become living markers on your journey – sketched, photographed or transformed into botanical symbols.

Remember to share images with us online using [#FifeArmsFamily](#).





BELTANE FLOWER CROWN WORKSHOP WITH CHLOE MACINTYRE

FRIDAY 1ST MAY
11AM - 1PM
ACTIVITY ROOM

Join us for a relaxed drop-in workshop to create your own dried flower crown in honour of Beltane, the Gaelic festival that marks the beginning of summer. Celebrated at the beginning of May, Beltane is associated with renewal and the blooming of the natural world. Flower crowns have long been worn as symbols of beauty, growth, and connection to the season, making them a lovely way to celebrate this joyful occasion. All materials are provided, simply drop in to craft your own seasonal keepsake to take home.

POP-UP ARTIST IN RESIDENCE

(Ages 6+)

SATURDAY 30TH MAY
10AM - 3:30PM
ACTIVITY ROOM

Join artist and designer, Carrie Fertig in the Activity Room for a drop-in map-making embroidery workshop, inspired by the landscape-led works by Alec Finlay in the hotel. Using thread as line and stitch as symbol, participants will chart personal journeys and spring discoveries through cloth.





JUNIOR GHILLIES

(Ages 5 – 11)



Our Junior Ghillie programme gives younger guests a glimpse into the life of a Scottish Ghillie – what does that word mean? How long have Ghillies been around Scotland and what does our hotel Ghillie team do?

Junior Ghillies will be issued with practical tasks to complete when out walking on a wildlife safari or floral trail. Learn about the history of Queen Victoria's Ghillie John Brown and local landmarks associated with him that can be visited by the family during your stay.

Report to the Ghillie desk to collect your Ghillie cap and basket to get you started.

Plus, make your own bespoke kilt pin using Fife Arms tweed. Visit the Activity Room and get creative, using sustainable crafting materials to create your unique accessory.

CREATIVE TRAILS

(All ages)

FAMILY TREASURE TRAIL

If spring showers stop outdoor adventures, then why not give our hotel Treasure Trail a try? Put your best detective skills to the test and follow the clues to find amazing items all around the hotel.

A fun, family challenge to enjoy together.

SCAVENGER HUNT

Hone your 'looking' skills and track down all the items on our Scavenger Hunt list!

Pick up a Scavenger Hunt from the Activity Room and see what you can spy and gather up on your family outings.

BRAEMAR FLORAL TRAIL

There are many wonderful plants and flowers that grow wild around the Fife Arms hotel. Use our Floral Trail to help you find and identify a few of them.

Why not draw the flowers and plants you find, or take a photograph of them, to remind you of what you found on your visit to Braemar.





FILM SCREENINGS

(All ages)



After a day of mapping adventures and following our spring Floral Trail, unwind with a private family film screening.

Book in advance at Reception and gather in the Activity Room (up to 8 guests). Settle into the sofa with popcorn and enjoy uplifting, adventure-filled favorites such as *Paddington 2*, *The Secret Garden*, *The Goonies* or *Fantastic Mr Fox*.

A relaxed and cosy way to round off a spring day of discovery in Braemar.



Whatever you sketch, paint, write or make at the Fife Arms
this spring, please remember to share images of your
family creativity with us using *#FifeArmsFamily*

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