



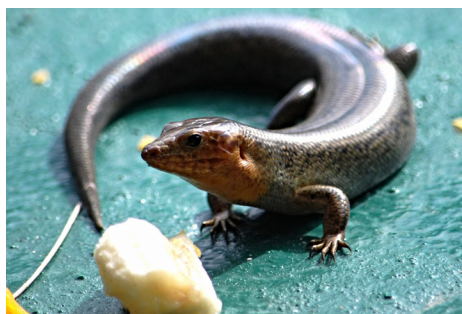
# FAMILY FUN ACTIVITIES FOR SPRING



## LAND OF THE REPTILES

There are several species of small lizards in Bermuda. The endemic Bermuda Skink is one of the rarest lizards in the world. It is protected by law and sadly its numbers are declining due to introduced predators. There are three lizards in the anole family: the Jamaican Anole, the Antigua Anole (Warwick lizard) and the Barbados Anole (Somerset lizard). There are also now two types of geckos that have found their way to Bermuda over the last few decades – the house gecko and the Mediterranean or Turkish gecko.

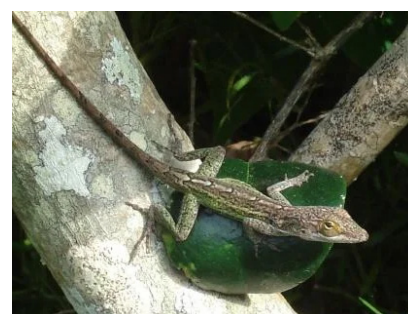
Get out into nature for a few hours and see how many you can find. Make a note of the type, length, male or female, and where you spotted it. If you are lucky enough to see a Bermuda Skink, please email [myles.darrell@bnt.bm](mailto:myles.darrell@bnt.bm). We would love to know the location so we can help ensure they are protected.



Bermuda Skink



Antigua Anole (Male)



Antigua Anole (Female)



Jamaican Anole (Male)



Jamaican Anole (Female)



Barbados Anole



House Gecko



Mediterranean or Turkish Gecko

## PUZZLE CORNER – WHAT AM I?



My first is in spider but not in tiger.  
My second is in apple but not in late.  
My third is in train but not in pain.  
My fourth is in ring but not in wrong.  
My fifth is in kingdom but not in castle.  
My sixth is in garden but not in dare.





# PAINTED EGGS



A popular crafting idea for any time of year is painted eggs. Before you start, you need to prepare the eggs.

Follow the instructions below on how to get the contents of the egg out.

1. Tape over both ends of the egg; poke a small hole in the top with a thumbtack, and a slightly larger hole in the bottom.
2. Insert a straightened paperclip into the larger hole and wiggle it, then blow through the small hole at the top to push the egg out. Finally rinse the shell and remove the tape.
3. To make the egg last longer, paint on Modge Podge and let it dry before painting on your design.
4. When you are ready to paint, push a thin stick into the larger hole at the bottom and turn it as you paint the egg.



## DELICIOUS CHEESE AND ONION SCONES

Have a go at baking these delicious cheese and onion scones. They are simple to make, and they are a great idea for a gift!

### Ingredients:

- 2 cups of self-raising flour
- 300ml milk
- 2 tsp English mustard powder
- 2 tsp baking powder
- ¼ cup of butter - grated
- 350g (3 cups) strong cheddar cheese, grated
- ½ medium onion chopped finely
- Sprinkle of mixed herbs and ½ tsp salt



### Instructions:

Combine the flour, herbs, salt, mustard, and baking powder into a large bowl. Add the grated butter and using your fingers, rub it through the dry mixture until it is like fine breadcrumbs. Add the cheese and onion and lightly mix through with your fingers. Make a well in the middle and add the milk slowly - you might not need it all. Don't press the mixture. Mix until you have a dough – you don't want it sticky. Flour the work surface and roll the dough out to about 3cm thick. Cut out using a scone cutter and place on a greased baking sheet. You will need to reroll the left-over dough until it is all used. Brush each scone with a little milk and if you have it, sprinkle with a little parmesan cheese. Put into the oven at 180°C/350°F for about 20 minutes or until golden brown. Place on a cooling rack. Enjoy!