



# Natural Playgrounds Store

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## Tree Cookie Puzzle

TSCLP-TPUZ

**Shipping Weight: 10.00/puzzle lbs**

**Shipping Dimensions: 18.00"L X 18.00"W X 12.00"H**

**Brand: Natural Playgrounds Company**

**Toxicity: child friendly wood preservative**

**Age Appropriateness: all ages**

### Jigsaw Tree Puzzle

This Tree Cookie Jigsaw Puzzle is an extraordinary, inexpensive game/challenge for children of all ages. Even adults will be challenged in many ways!

Every tree cookie puzzle is unique, because all the cuts are based on the different shapes of the tree slices, and on the whims of our carpenters :)

Puzzles challenge dexterity, spatial reasoning, and logic. Even better, they work both sides of the brain simultaneously because the creative side works to envision the finished puzzle, while the logical side tries to fit the pieces together.

They also encourage social interaction because children will offer ideas to each other, share pieces, discuss how something might go together, or why something should fit somewhere. These puzzles are simple and have few enough pieces that they will always be challenging but never impossible.

"Puzzling" is the activity of putting together a puzzle, and during the time the children are trying to make them work, it gives their subconscious a chance to work on other things, such as calming down, or being more relaxed while they are improving their dexterity and exercising their hands.

These simple, timeless puzzles are a fabulous asset to any indoor or outdoor play area. They are so inexpensive that you can afford two or three, which then makes the challenge even greater as the children try to put together several different puzzles.

Educational Note: These real tree slices present fantastic learning opportunities for your children. For instance, there is no way to prevent real tree slices from cracking or showing other signs of drying stresses.

Research concludes that the pattern of cracks such as V-cracks or heart checks depends on the distribution of moisture throughout the tree rings. Also, the difference between the moisture in the heartwood (the center of the tree that no longer carried sap when the tree was alive) and the moisture in the sap wood (which carried the sap), will also affect the size and shape of the cracks.

Because of these natural occurrences, we can only offer a 30 day warranty on materials.

NOTE: we offer a BULK DISCOUNT, so please ask if you want more than four puzzles.

