



Sunflower Jungle

We are city-slickers. One summer I wanted my toddler to have a feeling of jungle adventure. I walked outside to my small yard to survey, consider and make a magical place for him to play. Our yard is fenced, so I decided to plant sunflowers all along the fence. Then it came to me. At the corner of the yard I could tie a string from one side of the fence to the other and also plant sunflowers along the string line. This would result in a small shadowy triangle with tall sunflowers on all three sides. In the spring, the sun shone on my son as he played in his sandy corner of the yard. By summer I had to tie up the huge plants so they would not fall. He played in their shade. By the heat of summer

his jungle was complete. Tall imposing sunflowers kept his jungle in total shade and him feeling the

Then Isaac sowed in that land, and received in the same year an hundredfold: and the LORD blessed him. Genesis 26:12



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Thaddeus Ware peers out from his sunflower jungle. Sister Thessa and friends Gracie Brand, Carolyn and Judith Anne Beachy help to mulch the growing garden.

Photography by Elizabeth Stewart

mystery of being in a secret place. Once in a while I would crawl into his make-believe place and leave a surprise, like a large ham bone hidden in his sand. With a book from the library we would read about archeology and then he would take his bucket and shovel to discover what he could find in his jungle world. Imagine his surprise!



A small packet of seeds, a leftover bone from dinner, a plastic bucket and shovel...who needs the country when we have an imagination! ~ Micky Wilhite



Oatmeal Chocolate Chewy Balls

2 c. old-fashioned oats

Up to 3/4 c. chunky natural peanut butter

Up to 1/2 c. raw honey

Up to 1/4 c. of chocolate mini-chips

Stir first four ingredients together in a medium-sized bowl.

Optional ingredients. You may add any of the following:

2 - 3 T. raw wheat germ

2 - 3 T. finely shredded coconut

1 to 2 T. unbleached flour to help hold the mixture together

1 T. (or more) sesame seeds, hulled, raw

1 - 2 T. roasted or raw almonds
("powder" in a blender first)

Up to 1/4 c. raisins or currants

Crisp rice (for a crispier consistency) Stir in each optional ingredient into the first mixture, adjusting amounts until you like the consistency. Form tightly packed but chewy balls in any size you wish.



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