



## Natural Playgrounds Store

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## Bamboo Poles (Set of 10, 1 inch x ~8 f

**LP-SAP-Bamb**

**Shipping Weight: 20 lbs**

**Shipping Dimensions: 95"L X 4"W X 4"H**

**Brand: Natural Playgrounds Company**

**Toxicity:**

**Age Appropriateness:**

Our Bamboo Poles are extraordinary play items, one of the best "loose parts" available anywhere.

The Strong National Museum of Play in Rochester NY says "Sticks are not only possibly the oldest toys, they're possibly the best," so kids HAVE to have them! And they're all natural!!

Poles can be tied together, used as bridge parts, shaped into a tipi, used like logs for a cabin, leaned against a building and covered with a blanket for a lean-to, set on the ground and walked over as part of an obstacle course, outline a path, laid out to represent a room or rooms or to divide spaces, they can be used in numerous other creative ways.

Children find sticks an endless source of make-believe fun.

When they pretend with sticks, they cultivate their creativity and develop their imaginations. These simple bamboo poles are a must have for any natural playground, especially yours!

Poles are sustainably harvested from 3-5 year old bamboo in order to achieve maximum wall thickness and density. Every Pole undergoes a natural curing process to ensure strength, longevity, and beauty.

Bamboo is between one tenth and one hundredth the weight of other loose parts materials, yet in many applications, it's more durable and more aesthetic than wood saplings. Bamboo wood fiber is also naturally termite resistant and therefore a better option than many kinds of tree wood in termite prone regions.

If you want to use a bundle of poles to make a TP, down about a foot from the top, wrap a bungee cord around the bundle.

Then take some chalk dust (it's cheap to buy the colored chalk dust used in chalk line tools from Lowe's, Home Depot, or any hardware store), and use the chalk to lay out a circle approximately 6 feet in diameter wherever you want the TP.

If you want to get fancy about it, use your math skills to divide the circle into 10 equal parts, then have the kids help you erect the TP by placing each pole on one of the marks around the circle.

Our Bamboo poles come in bundles of 10, are usually no bigger than 1-1.5" in diameter, and are approximately ~8' in length.

You should get at least 2 bundles, because they will be a favorite!

**NOTE: All Bamboo Poles Will Crack.** Poles are hand-selected when they are shipped, but we can't guarantee the poles from cracking during shipping or over time after your purchase.

