

Hedgehog-friendly Garden Features



Log Piles



Safe, secure site for breeding or hibernating

Insect factories, providing a year-round food supply

Sheltered and protected site for supplementary food

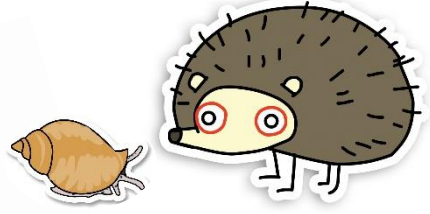
Overgrown corners



Feeding Station



One of the main priorities for a hedgehog is finding food, as with most wildlife! Leaving a log pile built up of rotting wood attracts a plethora of insects such as woodlice, beetles, termites and many more. Overgrown corners of your garden provide such a service too with caterpillars, slugs and so on, as well as valuable nesting material and sites. However, all hedgehogs can benefit from supplementary food provided by us, of a meaty poultry cat or dog food that can be protected in a feeding station. Feeding station's shelter food from weather, as well as provide access only big enough for a hedgehog to squeeze through and have a feast!



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Compost Heaps



Bedding material for nest sites or hedgehog houses

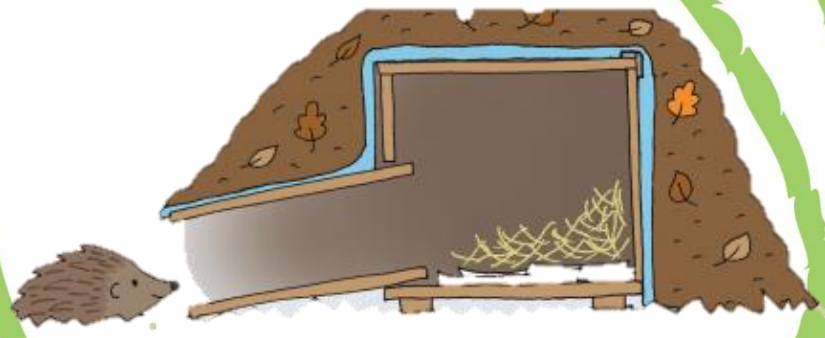
Great for creepy crawlies

Attractive nesting site

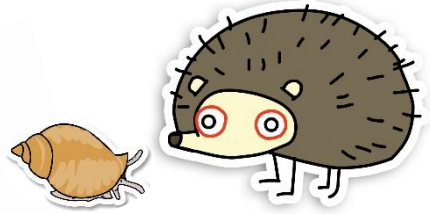
Leaf Piles



Hedgehog House



Finding the perfect nest site is a vital task for both pregnant females and hedgehogs hoping to hibernate for Winter. Compost heaps can make an attractive nesting and food site, whilst leaf piles can be used for bedding material for any other nest sites in the surrounding area, as well as a nesting site itself. However, to ensure all of your visiting hedgehogs find a nest site suitable for them, providing a hedgehog house with suitable straw or leaf bedding material inside can do the work for them! You can buy prebuilt hedgehog houses online or in stores, or have a go at making your own homemade houses - which tend to be more popular with our prickly visitors!



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Wildflower Patch

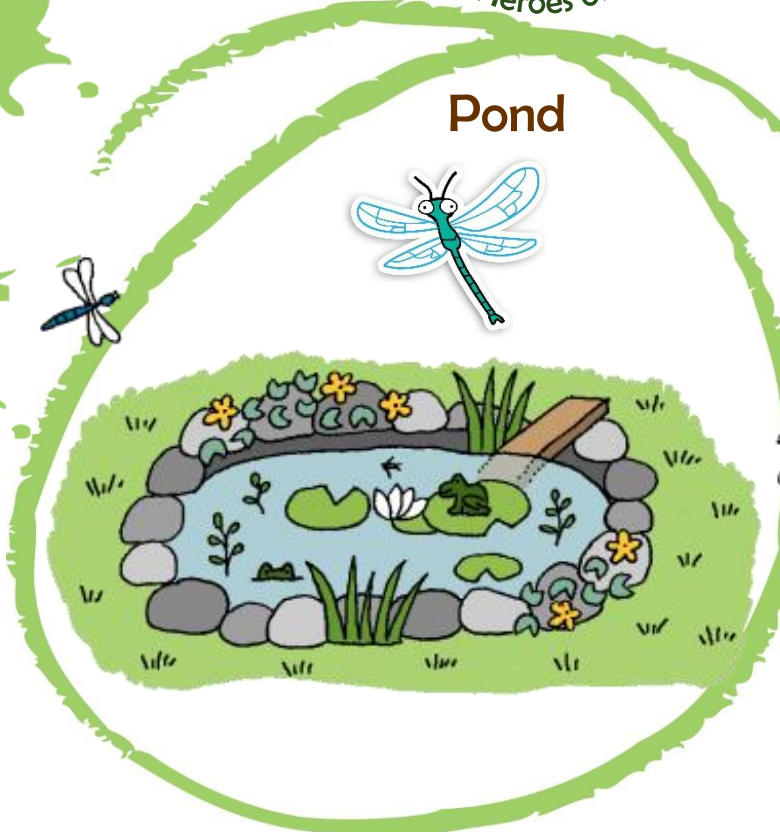


Year-round water supply

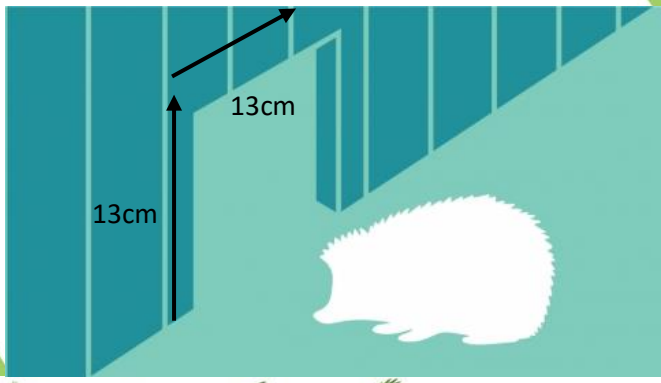
Removing the barriers within our control

Vital resources to support a wide range of insects

Pond



Connectivity



If you fancy taking your commitment to wildlife to the next level, creating diverse semi-natural grasslands is it! Wildflower patches are a valuable resource for insects such as pollinating bees, but also provide insects for hedgehogs. As well as food, a water supply is imperative to hedgehogs, especially through the hot Summer months. Ponds provide a year-round water supply, and hedgehogs are excellent swimmers, just make sure there is a gently sloping edge for them to escape from when they are done! Hedgehogs travel around one mile every night through gardens, so if you have an enclosed garden you might be getting in the way of their plans. Make their life a little easier by removing the barriers you can, by making holes in or under garden fences and walls for them to pass through.

