



Bug hotel

Bugs might be a bit scary looking to some of you – but these brilliant beetles, curly caterpillars, and lovely ladybirds are vital to all life on this planet. Many climate scientists think that bugs can even help us prevent climate change!

So, what can we do to increase the number of bugs in our garden?.....

Build a bug hotel!

What you will need:

- Large plastic bottle
- Pen
- Ruler
- Scissors

Some ideas of what to fill it with:

- Pinecones
- Bark or twigs
- Moss
- Leaves
- Woodchip
- Nutshells
- Bamboo
- Grass
- Stones
- Shells
- Twine

Let's get started!

1. Go into your garden or when you're out on your walk and see if you can find some of the suggestions on the list above for filling your bug hotel. Maybe a good idea to take a bag with you to collect it all in.
2. Let's now start on the hotel. Draw a rectangle on the front of the bottle. It needs to be big like in the photo.
3. Cut out.
4. With the items you have collected, start to build up your bug hotel. Pack it nice and full. There's no right or wrong way so be inventive.
5. Take a step back and admire!
6. Finally find somewhere in your garden now to put it.