

How to build a bug hotel



wildlife watch



You will need:

- Wooden pallets x4



- Bricks



- Plastic bottles*



- Bamboo canes



- Straw



- Leaves



- Tiles



- Cardboard



- Stones/pebbles

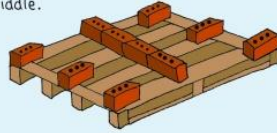


- Twigs/loose bark



*Use old plastic bottles for this, and always recycle after use.

1 Place a wooden pallet in your chosen location. On top of the pallet, line bricks around the corners and across the middle.



2 Place your next pallet on top of this and repeat the process for all of your pallets.



3 Cut off the top two-thirds of your bottles. Fill up half of them with bamboo canes/plastic straws and the other half with rolled up cardboard. Place these inside the hotel.



4 Fill in the remaining spaces with bricks, leaves, pebbles, stones, tiles, loose bark and straw.



5 Add in any extra materials that you want to recycle e.g. old pipes, carpeting, toilet tubes, old plant pots. Be creative - add a welcome sign or give your hotel a name!



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Bee identification

All bumblebees shown are worker bees

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 14-17mm	 12-18mm	 11mm	 10-16mm	 12-18mm
<input type="checkbox"/> Buff-tailed bumblebee	<input type="checkbox"/> Willoughby's leafcutter bee	<input type="checkbox"/> Red mason bee	<input type="checkbox"/> Tree bumblebee	<input type="checkbox"/> White-tailed bumblebee
 13-14mm	 10mm	 13mm	 13mm	 14-15mm
<input type="checkbox"/> Red-tailed bumblebee	<input type="checkbox"/> Tawny mining bee	<input type="checkbox"/> Common carder bee	<input type="checkbox"/> Wool carder bee	<input type="checkbox"/> Hairy footed flower bee

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These are just a few of the 250+ species of bee in the UK!