

# How to build a bug hotel



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## You will need:

**Wooden pallets, bricks, twigs, plastic bottles, bamboo canes, straws, stones/rocks, dried leaves, twigs/loose bark, cardboard.**

Bugs find shelter in cracks and crevices of walls and building. However, due to old walls and building increasingly being knocked down bugs are finding it hard to find a lasting home. A bug hotel is a great

way of upcycling and provides a number of different species a safe home. Bugs are great pollinators and are really important to the ecosystem. Give them a home and they will help pollinate your garden.



**Step 1:** Place a wooden pallet in your chosen location, using it as a base.



**Step 3:** Fill the spaces between the pallets, and crates with any water proof materials such as; bottles, leaves, rocks, loose bark, logs, old pipes, plant pots, old carpet etc. Ensure you have lots of little hidey holes of all shapes and sizes.



**Step 2:** Place bricks, crates and concrete blocks on top to make a layer. Repeat this process 3 or 4 times, depending on how high you would like your hotel.



**Step 4:** You can encourage bugs to stay in your hotel by refreshing the contents of your hotel. Look out for dry leaves, pine cones, and dead wood to add to your hotel.

Be sure to recycle these materials once they need replacing