

MAKING A HOME

The book asks "Will you make a home?". Use the instructions below to Create a home for insects.

A lot of insects like to live in hollows. A special type of man-made hollow of insects is called an insect hotel. Use the instructions below to build an insect hotel.

YOU WILL NEED

- A solid box structure with a sloped roof such as a display box
- Nesting material such as hollow sticks
- Reeds
- Bamboo sticks
- Wooden straws
- Seed pods
- Drilled wooden disks
- Pine cones
- Grasses
- Hollow pottery bricks
- Clay pots
- And anything else with small holes where animals might like to build their home.

INSTRUCTIONS

- 1 Spray the wood with a water repellent or waterproof spray to protect it from rain.
- 2 Arrange the items you have in sets and if necessary tie or glue them together such as with the straws.
- 3 Measure the straws and cut them so that they fit neatly inside the box with no overhang at the front.
- 4 Using a hot glue gun glue each item or set of items to the inside of the box to make a series or cubby holes for small insects and bees.
- 5 Place the insect or bee hotel outside and watch small animals make this their new hollow home.



Follows a sequence of steps for making designed solutions.