



# Minibeast Hotel



You will need:

- Cereal box (or similar)
- Scissors
- Glue

As well as a selection of the following:

- Stones
- Sticks
- Dry leaves
- Old toilet roll tubes
- Plastic bottle
- Any other materials you think would be good in your hotel!

1. Cut open the top of the box so that you can lift the largest face open (as shown):



2. Cut open a door to your hotel in the side of your cereal box. It does not need to be very big for minibeasts to get in!

3. Glue the box together so that only the top opens.

4. You could decorate your hotel to make it look more inviting if you wish!



5. Now create some different rooms in your hotel for different minibeasts! You can create different microhabitats by using different materials. For damp materials, it might be best to use a plastic, water-proof container so your hotel doesn't get soggy!

6. You can create a room for flies and ladybirds outside your hotel! Cut open a plastic bottle and push lots of folded cardboard tubes inside (as shown). You could also fill the gaps with materials such as sticks or leaves, as these minibeasts like enclosed spaces.



Put your hotel outside but somewhere sheltered so that your little guests are protected from the wind and rain!

## TIP!

Weigh down your hotel with a rock or a large piece of wood!



Different minibeasts prefer different microhabitats!

Some, such as slugs and snails, will prefer fresh leaves.

Woodlice will like dark, damp wood to live in.

Ants and beetles can be found in a variety of different habitats.