

Fun Friday Fledglings Craft

Build Mini Wildlife Dens

Build a mini wildlife den in your garden for the teeny tiny frogs and little creatures to find shelter and hide inside.

Please use all natural and biodegradable materials for this activity. Take care to identify the plants you are picking and that you do not have an allergic reaction to certain plants.

You will need:

- A selection of sticks and twigs*
- Grass/leaves
- Twine
- Pebbles
- Cardboard
- Scissors

*use fallen sticks and twigs

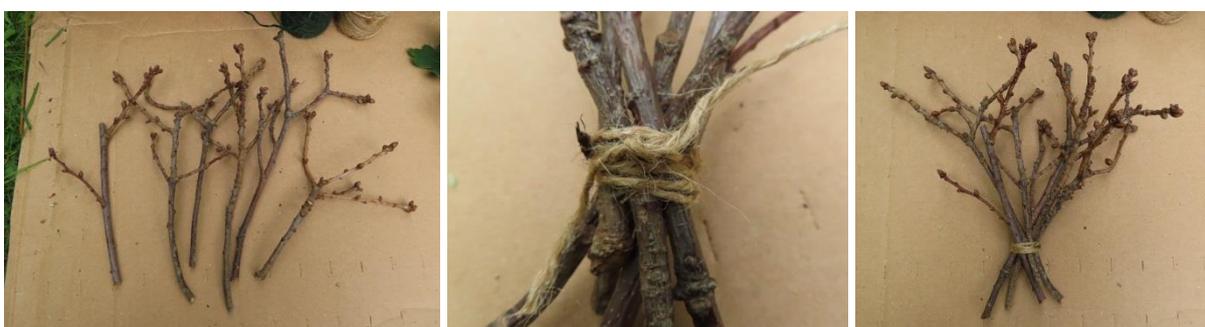


Method

1. Gather materials together in a basket or bucket. Find a suitable spot to build your mini wildlife den, where the den won't be disturbed and the little wild creatures can hide and shelter in.



2. The Mini Twig Den. Bundle some twigs together tie with twine. Find a spot in the garden to build the den.



Lay down some grass on the spot for the mini den and then, position the twig bundle over the grass. Then layer some more twigs over the twig structure and decorate with leaves.



3. The Mini Wildlife Den.

The stick base structure. Bundle some sticks together of similar lengths, tie sticks securely with the twine at one end. Open out the other ends to stand up to form a stick pyramid/cone.



Place the stick base structure in the spot you have found. Arrange some pebbles inside the stick structure. Carefully place more twigs/sticks around the pyramid until it looks almost covered, leaving gaps in between for little wild creatures to enter. Decorate with some leaves and grass.



Have fun building your own mini wildlife dens around the garden and please remember to use all natural biodegradable materials. The teeny tiny wild creatures in your garden will be very happy to have lots of places to shelter and hide.

You don't have to go very far to find some teeny tiny wild creatures in your garden or when you are out for a walk. Which is bigger? The teeny tiny frog or the ladybird?



Have a wonderful summer exploring the amazing nature around you. Maybe you can spot some of these when you are outside. Use your 5 senses to explore ...

