



Nature Gardens

With Ranger Iona



WHAT YOU NEED
Medium sized tub with drainage holes, compost or soil, a small log, stones, small pot (use something from the recycling bin).

Learn about nature reserves and make a nature garden

We'd love to know what you get up to. Why not show us (Email: WCCP@dover.gov.uk, Facebook: [WCCP](#), Twitter & Instagram: [#GreenGangAtHome](#)).

LEARN

1. What is a nature reserve? It's a special place for animals and plants to live in, where they are kept safe. Usually people can visit but they have to be careful not to hurt the plants or animals.
2. Imagine you are a ranger and you have been given a nature reserve to look after. Choose 3 animals that you want to live there e.g. badger, hedgehog, kingfisher, frog? What habitats will your animals need to find food and sleep – trees, ponds, grass, rock pools? Make a poster of your nature reserve to show the different areas.
3. Will you need footpaths, cycle paths, picnic areas or a car park for people to safely visit your nature reserve? Maybe there will be special places to watch the animals.

MAKE

A nature garden! Fill your tub with soil then place the log and stones on top. Bury the pot so it's level with the soil and fill with water. You could use your imagination and add some insect paths using twigs or make little beds from leaves. Put the filled tub outside somewhere safe and watch what happens. Be patient and after some time plants will begin to grow and creepy crawlies start to appear in your mini nature reserve. When you see new things appear record them in a nature diary.



DO

After the summer holidays GGAH activity sheets will be available each school holiday. If you haven't already done so, join our Green Gang email list to make sure you receive a copy by emailing WCCP@dover.gov.uk.



MAKE SOMEONE LAUGH

Why was the centipede dropped from the football team?

He took too long to put his boots on!

ANSWER

Last week's answer: Sedimentary



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