

Autumn's Arrival

Top tips for helping hedgehogs

Hedgehogs start hibernating in autumn. They curl up in a dark, quiet, cosy spot and sleep for a few months until spring returns.

Help a hedgehog

Make leaf or log piles in your garden or local park for hedgehogs to nest and hibernate.

Cover up big drain holes as hedgehogs can easily slip down into them.

If you have a garden, make a hole at the bottom of your fence to make it easy for hedgehogs to travel through.



Draw a weather chart for a week

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
Friday	Saturday	Sunday	



How is the weather in autumn?

Leaf games

Many trees shed their leaves in autumn.



Watch leaves dance as they fall to the ground.

Lay leaves on the ground to make shapes like snakes or insects.

Do leaves float or sink? Fin out!



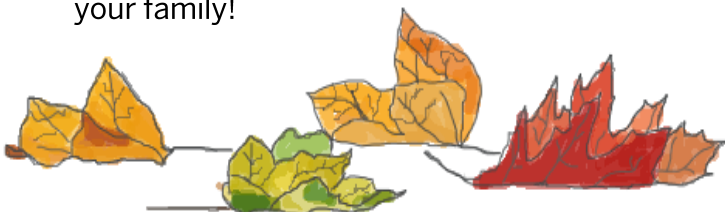
Collect leaves to create a path or maze for your family or friends to follow.

Make a natural paint brush from leaves, tied together with string/twine and use muddy water to paint on rocks.



Do some leaf rubbings.

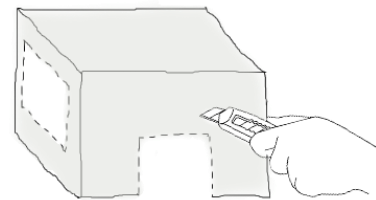
Come up with your own leaf game to challenge your family!



Make a hedgehog hotel

Step 1:

Cut two side air-vents and an entrance into a plastic box (ask for adult help).



Step 2:

Put some leaf litter inside the box with dry grass or straw on top.

Step 3:

Tuck the box near a hedge.

Step 4:

Cover the top of the box with twigs, dry grass and leaves.

Job done!

