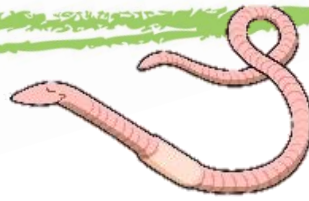


Piles and piles of goodness!

Log Piles



A simple pile of logs or wood can make an effective hedgehog nest. As hedgehogs need to feed intensely before hibernating for the winter, log piles can double as a great habitat to encourage a rich feast of earwigs, centipedes and woodlice.

Collect any old dead wood from your garden or ask the local park or wildlife reserve for permission to take some from their supply and pile it up in a quiet undisturbed corner of your garden. The bigger you can make it the better. As the wood rots down, replenish the logs from time to time.

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Leaf Piles

Fallen leaves are perfect nesting material for hedgehogs, and gathering them into a heap makes for a simple and comfortable nesting place. Also, by leaving some leaves lying around, you will create a habitat for some of the hedgehog's food, such as ground beetles.

Not only can leaf piles be used as a potential nesting site but they can also be used for bedding material for any other nest sites or hedgehog boxes in the surrounding area. Please be careful when tidying leaf piles as there may be a hog in residence!

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Compost Piles

Compost heaps can make an attractive nesting site for a hedgehog. Open air composting is also great for creepy crawlies (AKA hedgehog food). Remember to be careful when turning them with your fork.

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