

# HEDGEHOG-FRIENDLY FACTSHEET!

Hedgehogs are vulnerable to extinction in Britain – they've declined by up to 50% since 2000

**WORRIED ABOUT A HEDGEHOG?**  
Contact the British Hedgehog Preservation Society on 01584 890801



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**Our hedgehog is the West European Hedgehog.** The African Pygmy Hedgehog is not native to the UK.

**Hedgehogs are nocturnal.** Contact the British Hedgehog Preservation Society on 01584890801 if you're worried about a hedgehog out in the day.



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In the wild, hedgehogs forage mostly for bugs and grubs. However, if you want to feed hedgehogs a supplement, feed meaty cat or dog food.



Provide a shallow dish of fresh water for hedgehogs all year-round.



Hedgehogs usually hibernate in winter, when it's cold and there is less food. Most hedgehogs will move nests at least once in this time. They emerge from hibernation in spring and will be very hungry!



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Wild areas are crucial for hedgehogs – they need them to feed, breed and nest.



**Hedgehogs are lactose-intolerant!** Don't give them milk or cheese.



**Hedgehogs can travel up to 2 kilometres per night!** Think like a hedgehog and make sure you provide gaps and holes for them to travel through!

**Never pick up a hedgehog** (unless it needs your help). Just observe them from a distance!



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