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## Wildlife friendly gardening guides



We've come up with six gardening actions that will create a city more resilient to climate change and that is a lot better for wildlife. Download one of our 'How To' guides to get you started!

### 1. Plant drought-resistant plants

Drought-resistant plants that are good for wildlife provide food and shelter for birds and insects.

As our summers become drier due to climate change, drought-tolerant plants reduce the need to water your garden.

You can find out more about how to create a drought-tolerant garden [here](#).

And [Download our 'how to' guide](#) and find out which plants are the best for dry wildlife gardens!

### 2. Plant a mixed hedgerow

A mixed hedgerow provides food, nesting places and shelter for lots of birds, mammals and insects.

Hedges also create cool, shady places in what otherwise might be a hot, exposed site.

[Download our 'how to' guide](#) and start planting your hedgerow!

### 3. Make a pond

Ponds greatly improve a garden's wildlife potential. Even small ponds can support a rich diversity of wildlife and

Ponds also store large amounts of carbon, helping to reduce the impacts of climate change.

[Download our 'how to' guide](#) and start making your pond!

#### 4. Use mulch

Mulch provides cover for small animals and, as it breaks down, it enriches the soil and provides nourishment for plants. These in turn encourage more wildlife into your garden.

Adding a thick layer of mulch to your soil is one of the easiest and most useful jobs you can do to reduce the severity of climate change.

[Download our 'how to' guide](#) and start mulching!

#### 5. Add a green roof to your shed

Living roofs increase the planting area in your garden and provide extra wildlife habitat.

Living roofs also absorb rainwater and can help to stabilise the temperature of a building.

[Download our 'how to' guide](#) and start creating a green roof on your shed!

#### 6. Wild up your decking

Adding planted containers to your wooden decking creates refuges for animals as they travel through your garden.

There's very little that won't grow in a container. The result can be an attractive and rich green space that benefits people and wildlife.

Planted containers will help cool your decking area as plants retain and release moisture, and create shade.

[Download our 'how to' guide](#) now and start wilding up your decking!

#### Wildlife gardening pack

You can also download [this complete wildlife gardening pack](#) - containing lots more tips and advice to get you started!

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