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## The last hedgehog in Worcestershire?

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**There are 95% fewer hedgehogs now than there were in the 1950s and some experts predict they could be extinct in the next ten years! We need your help to find out how Worcestershire's hedgehogs are doing...**

Hedgehogs live in gardens, woodland edges, hedgerows, grasslands, parks and cemeteries and can travel between 1-2km every night. So if you're lucky enough to see one in your garden, it will be visiting all of your neighbours too.

Hedgehogs are particularly fond of slugs and snails so if you've got a garden they should be your best friend. They're also partial to beetles, earthworms and caterpillars; if you want to see hedgehogs you'll need lots of creepy crawlies!



### Hoggy signs

You may not always see a hedgehog so how would you know if you've got one in your garden? Hedgehogs that are

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can make your own [mammal footprint trap](#).

*Poo*

You could also have a look for hedgehog poo! It's quite distinctive and looks a bit like a dark slug.



You may even hear hoggies grunting. Any of these signs will indicate that you've had a hedgehog visit your garden, so please tell us on the form below.

## Helping hedgehogs

Hedgehogs need things to eat, safe places to sleep and paths to move along. So why not...

- grow plants that will attract the food they like
- leave some wilder places in your garden such as log piles or slightly longer grass
- leave a leaf pile as there will be lots of lovely creepy crawlies in it for them to munch
- create a hedgehog highway by cutting a hole in your fence - and get your neighbours to do the same
- build a [hedgehog home](#)
- leave places for hedgehogs to hibernate
- leave water out for hedgehogs, especially in the hot weather

There are also things that you can do to keep hedgehogs safe...

- check any bonfire before you set fire to it as they are a perfect place for a hoggies to sleep or hibernate
- check your longer grass before strimming as this now accounts for a lot of hedgehog injuries

Check out our hints and tips to help [make your garden more wildlife-friendly](#). Or why not download our [Wild About Gardens Week booklet](#) full of hedgehog hints and tips (5MB).

We know that hedgehog numbers are decreasing but if we all do one thing such as cutting a hole in our fence, we **can** make a difference. If you're able to do lots of things, that's even better.

If you're not already a member of Worcestershire Wildlife Trust, then why not [join us](#) and help us to provide habitats for hoggies on our nature reserves as well as spread the word to other people!

***Let's not let the last hedgehog in Worcestershire disappear.***

## Have you seen a hedgehog?

To help us understand more about hedgehogs across Worcestershire and near you, we'd love to know whether or not you've seen one recently. Use this form to tell us about every hedgehog you see (& those you don't). Please use a separate form for

each sighting of a hedgehog.

**Name \***

First Last

**Email\* \***

**Worcs Wildlife Trust Membership No (if known)**

**Would you like to sign up to our main monthly e-newsletter and/or our family e-newsletter (sent every 8-10 weeks)?  
Please note that you can change your preference at any time.**

- Main e-newsletter  
 Family e-newsletter

**Phone Number**

**Location of hedgehog - a grid reference is best but a street name and postcode will be fine. \***

**When did you see the hedgehog/s? Date is essential, time would be useful.**

**Was the hedgehog you saw... \***

- Alive  
 Dead  
 Only seen signs of hedgehog - poo, footprints etc  
 I haven't seen a hedghog for a very long time (please use comments box below to tell us when you last saw one)

**How many hedgehogs did you see in this location at the same time? \***

**Is there anything else you'd like to tell us about your hedgehog sighting? If you haven't seen a hedgehog recently, approximately how long ago was the last time you saw one?**

**Where did you find out about this form?**

Submit

*\*We will pass on details of your sighting to the Worcestershire Biological Records Centre (WBRC) in order to record your hedgehog sighting. If you choose to sign up to our e-newsletter/s, you will receive our e-newsletter/s containing information about our work, how you can support us, promotional offers, discounts, local event information and interesting facts and tips! With the exception of sharing your sighting information with the WBRC, we will not share or sell your details to anyone else and never have done.*

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