



Mammal Nests



Harvest Mouse

- Made from living, woven grasses
- Ball-shaped nest, 5-10cm wide
- 30cm - 1.5m above the ground
- Attached to the stalks of grasses, cereals or rushes



Hedgehog

- Made from leaves, grass and moss
- Summer 'day nests' are built in the grass
- Winter 'hibernation nests' are 50cm wide
- Winter nests are built under a hedge, shed or in a tree hole or rabbit hole



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Rabbit

- Underground network of tunnels
- Many entrance holes
- Holes are 8-20cm wide
- In loose soil, which is easy to dig
- Often on slopes
- Maybe in the roots of a large tree



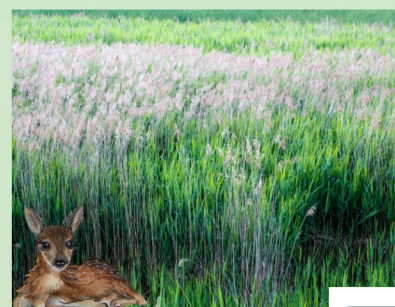
Badger

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- Many entrance holes
- Holes are 20-30cm wide, football-sized
- Often in sandy soil
- Large heaps of soil and dirty bedding of dry grass, lie in piles outside



Red Deer

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- Trample down grass and vegetation, often turning round in circles, like a dog
- Keep their young hidden in the undergrowth in bracken or tall grasses





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