



Butterflies, Birds & Beasts Handout

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# Butterfly Identification

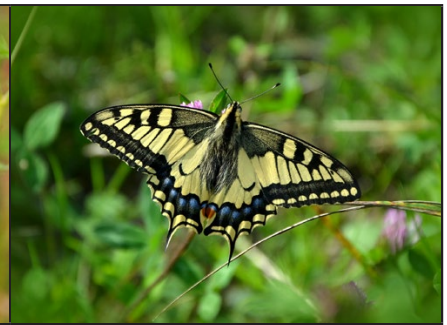
How many of these butterflies can you find? Tick each one as you spot it.



red admiral



peacock



swallowtail



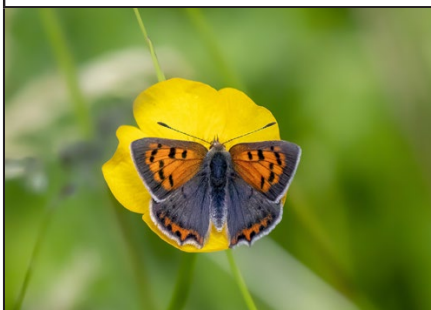
orange-tip



monarch



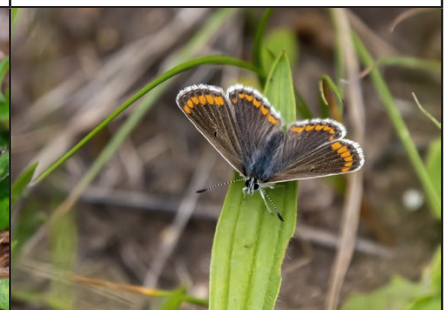
white admiral



small copper



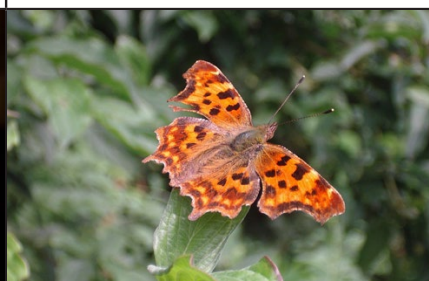
adonis blue



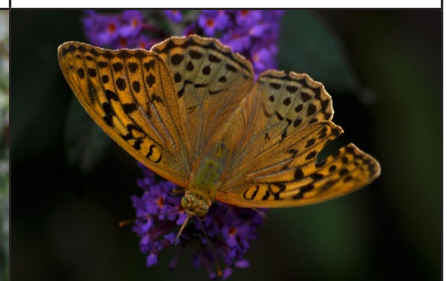
brown argus



brimstone









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high brown fritillary

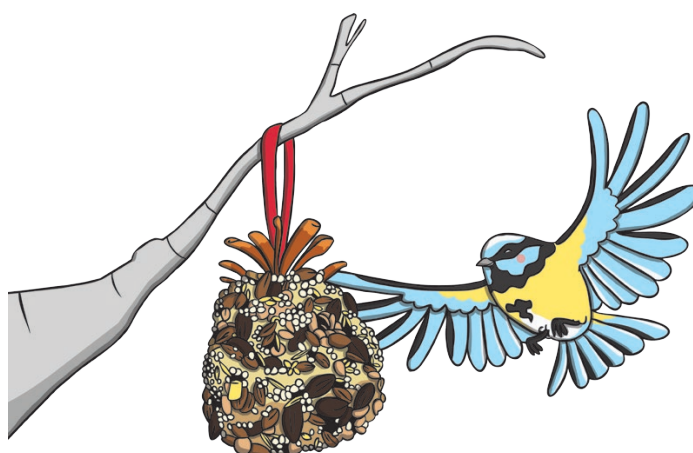
# Garden Birds Sighting Checklist

<b>Bird</b>	<b>Sighted</b> Have you seen this bird? Tick the box for yes or leave it blank for no.	<b>Where?</b> Where have you seen this bird?
Robin 		
Magpie 		
Sparrow 		
Blackbird 		
Blue tit 		
Goldfinch 		

# Pine Cone Bird Feeder

## You will need:

- pine cone
- lard
- birdseed
- string
- scissors



## Instructions

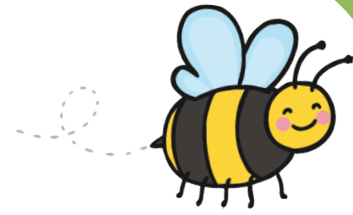
1. Find a pine cone from your outdoor area. Prepare a bowl with a teaspoon of lard and smother your pine cone with it. This will be messy!
2. Put your pine cone in the fridge to let the lard get nice and sticky. While you're waiting, put some of your birdseed onto a plate. After 30 minutes, remove your pine cone from the fridge and roll it in the birdseed to cover it.
3. Cut a piece of string about 8 inches long. Ask an adult to help. Tie the string around your cone and hang it on a tree or bush outside. Now watch for the birds!



Some ingredients and/or materials used might cause allergic reactions or health problems. You should ensure that you are fully aware of the allergies and health conditions of those taking part. If you have any concerns about your own or somebody else's health or wellbeing, always speak to a qualified health professional. Activities listed within the resource should always be supervised by an appropriate adult. Children should be supervised when using sharp items such as scissors or other tools. Please make sure you are aware that children may put craft items into their mouths, and that they should wash their hands afterwards. By using this resource, you acknowledge that it is the responsibility of supervising adults to ensure the safety of children in their care and that we will accept no liability as a result of the activity.



# Make Your Own Minibeast Hotel



## Outdoor Activity

### You will need:

- A suitable container or area in your outdoor area, preferably wooden
- Compost
- Fertile soil
- Pieces of wood (various sizes)
- Different sized/shaped stones
- Bricks
- Old roof tiles
- Clay drainage tubes
- Fir cones
- Dry leaves
- Bark
- Straw, hay
- Dead wood/sticks
- Plants that will attract insects

### Method

- 1 Choose either an area in your outdoor area or a wooden container and place it on the ground.
- 2 If the container hasn't already got holes in, make some holes in the bottom. That will create drainage and let minibeasts crawl in.
- 3 Fill the container with compost and fertile soil.
- 4 Use your resources to build various places for minibeasts to live.
- 5 Woodlice and beetles will like wood/sticks and, if stacked, the minibeasts can crawl through them.
- 6 Plants will attract the crawling bugs like caterpillars, snails and spiders.
- 7 Butterflies and bees will like nectar-rich flowering plants.
- 8 It's up to you how much you put in your bug hotel.
- 9 Observe the hotel over time and see which minibeasts it attracts.
- 10 Can you find out which areas each kind of minibeast like best?



# Minibeast Identification Sheet

			
earthworm	spider	woodlouse	wasp
			
ladybird	snail	earwig	dragonfly
			
caterpillar	cranefly	beetle	honeybee
			
ant	butterfly	fly	millipede
			
slug	centipede	bumblebee	moth



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