# BUILD YOUR OWN PALACE FOR BUGS

Building your own **bug palace** can be fun and **encourages bugs** into your garden. They also act as a **food source for wildlife** such as hedgehogs and some birds.

# Things you need to build your Peckish Palace for bugs:

















# 1. Where to position your Peckish Palace

• Choose a position where the ground is level, firm and in shade.



#### 2. Main structure

 Stack your first pallet on to bricks and add more pallets on top (no higher than 1 metre).



### 3. Filling the gaps

- $\bullet\, \mathsf{Place}\, \mathsf{logs}, \mathsf{bricks}, \mathsf{pots}, \mathsf{tiles}\, \mathsf{and}\, \mathsf{larger}\, \mathsf{materials}\, \mathsf{in}\, \mathsf{first}$
- Add dry leaves and straw for attracting bugs, beetles and ladybirds
- Bamboo, branches and twigs will attract solitary bees
- Use tiles, stones or rocks at the bottom ideal for frogs and toads when it's damp
- Wood chips, pine cones, moss and bark are also good fillers.







## 4. Adding a roof and finishing touches!

- A roof keeps heavy rain out. Use two sheets of wood and some roof felt with a slight over hang on each edge
- $\bullet \ \ \text{Wild flowers on the top boost pollinating insects like butterflies}$
- Why not give your new Bug Palace it's own name and create a sign to place outside?
- Wrap the Bug Palace with wire mesh to protect.



Peckish Colour in your garden