

How can you help hedgehogs?

Put some food out for them. (wet dog food, cat biscuits, 'Spike's Dinner' hedgehog food)

Put out a shallow bowl of clean water. Hogs need a surprising amount of drinking water.

Talk to your neighbours about making a hole in the fence so hedgehogs can move around from garden to garden and stay away from roads

Pick up litter. Hedgehogs have poor eyesight and they can become entangled or trapped in litter.

If you have a pond, make sure hedgehogs can climb out safely.

If you are going to use a strimmer, check beforehand that there are no hedgehogs hiding or asleep in your grass.

Carefully check bonfires before lighting.

Avoid using chemicals in your garden.

If you use netting, lift it up off the ground or check it daily.

Make a safe place for hedgehogs to nest or hibernate.

In return, hedgehogs will help you by eating slugs and snails in your garden!

Please tell Exmouth Wildlife Group about your hedgehogs.

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If you see a hedgehog out in the day, there is almost certainly a problem. Phone 01584 890 801 for advice.

PS Never put milk out for hedgehogs - it gives them a very bad tummy.

