



# Wildlife Friendly Addingham

# Hedgehog Hotspot!



With the help of Addingham Brownies we have been finding out about and monitoring our hedgehog population since 2018, collating sightings of hogs around the village.

We have found ten 'hotspots' where there are good numbers of hedgehogs. One of these is the Sycamore Drive gardens on the west side of Hoffman Wood Field.

Sadly, the population of hedgehogs in the UK has fallen by more than 50% in the last 20 years. So our hedgehogs are precious and we can all help to look after them by making our gardens more hog friendly.

[Click here](#) for lots more information on how to help our hedgehogs, what to do if you find a poorly hog and where the 'hotspots are'.

### Hog Sightings

If you see a hedgehog do let us know, giving: the date, time, number of hogs seen, approximate size (melon, grapefruit or apple) and what they were doing.



IF YOU FIND A HEDGEHOG.....

**WHAT TO DO**  
 • Make sure it is not out in the day, If it is it is probably ill.

**HOW COULD YOU HELP....**  
 check before you trim or mow your lawn.  
 In Autumn and Winter Hedgehogs start to hibernate so.....

**CALL:**

**WINTER SIGHTINGS!!!**  
 If you see a hedgehog and it is under 450g in weight it probably won't survive much longer.

**HOW TO MAKE A HEDGEHOG HOME.....**  
 you will need

- A old sturdy cardboard box
- A plastic bag
- Stones, earth, dry grass, twigs and leaves
- Dry grass and/or shredded paper
- Scissors

Flap ↓

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