



LET THE GRASS GROW!



This is a simple change that actually requires less work in the garden - allow your grass and any weeds to grow! This doesn't have to be the entire garden; a border or 1m square patch is better than nothing.

These patches of long grass can quickly become a wildlife haven! They are regularly used for food resources by butterflies, bees, hoverflies and caterpillars and for shelter by small mammals.





You can supplement the area with the addition of flowers, such as lavender and borage, or just let the weeds grow. Weeds are simply “a plant in the wrong place” but when allowed to grow can be an excellent resource of pollen/nectar and a beautiful addition to the garden; daisies, dandelions, self-heal, celandine and buttercups are all great for pollinators!





Try this!

- Learn a new skill - buy a wildflower key or look online and keep a log of what plants you find in your garden.
- Take part in Flower-Insect Timed Counts (FIT Counts) as part of the UK Pollinator Monitoring Scheme (PoMS). It's allows you to record the types on species you have visiting your patch and the data allows scientists to assess changes in populations.
- Share your garden patches on social media to encourage other people to do the same!
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