How to...

BUILD A POND

With

Suffolk Owl Sanctuary



MATERIALS

Waterproof container (a washing up or old dog bowl is ideal)
Shovel or trowel to dig with
Watering can/ bucket of rainwater
Pebbles, gravel

DIG

Choose where you want your pond to be.
Ideally it should be away from vegetation and out of direct sunlight.
When you've decided, dig a hole big enough for your container to sit in, with about a 2cm lip.
Use some soil from the hole to create a slop

Use some soil from the hole to create a slop around the outside of the container to help animals get access to your pond.





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Pour some gravel in the bottom of your container (enough to cover the base). Add some larger stones which will not be covered by water. You could also add a stick to help animals escape the water if they fall in.

Fill your pond to almost the top. If you can, use rainwater instead of tapwater.

WAIT

It won't take long for wildlife to find your pond.

Why not keep a record of all the species you see using your pond? Who do you expect to visit first/ most often?



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