

## NATURE PLAY RECIPE CARD

# Bug Hunt

### INGREDIENTS:

- An outdoor space
- Bug pots or any container
- An insect and spider ID

### METHOD:

- Find a space where you can bug hunt.
- Look with your eyes to find a space where you think small animals might like to live, on a leaf, under a log, in the grass.
- Use your bug pot or container to collect the animal
- Have a look at the animal, use your ID chart, book or ID app to find out what animal it is.
- Use a magnifying glass to get a closer look.
- Once you have spent some time observing the animal make sure it goes back to where you found it, this is very important!
- Keep looking and find some more.

### SAFETY AND CARE:

- Set boundaries before you start bug hunting so you don't get lost or go too far.
- Only put your hand where you can see. Never in a hole or underneath something where you don't know what may be living there.
- Use a container to collect the animals, never by hand as you are not sure if the animal can harm you or you may harm it, only handle an animal if you are really sure it is safe like a snail.
- Only collect one animal at a time, as if you have different animals in the same container they may eat each other.
- Always keep the slimy animals in a different container to the ones with legs.
- Always put the animals back where you found them.



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Did you know?

Invertebrates  
make up over  
97% of all animal  
life on the planet

