

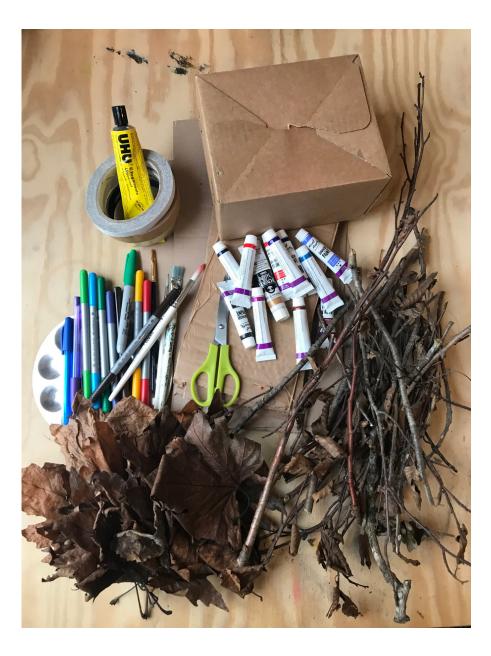
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If you loved watching *Feels Like Home*, why not make your own Hattie the hedgehog and a cosy hedgehog house for them to snuggle down into this winter. You can go on an adventure to collect some colourful leaves and the very best sticks outside. Don't forget a nice bright sign to keep the humans out!



You will need:

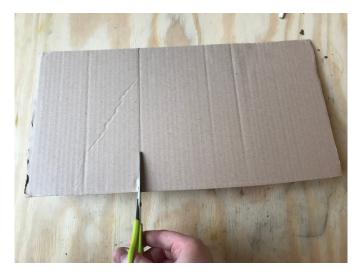
- Few few pieces of cardboard
- Colourful leaves
- Sticks
- Glue
- Scissors
- Tape
- Paints or coloured pens



Instructions

Step 1:

Get a piece of your cardboard and cut a base for your hedgehog house, making it as big or as small as you like.



Step 2:

Using another piece of card, bend it into a curve over the top of your cardboard base to make a curved roof and glue or tape in place on each side of your base.





Step 3:

Next, draw around one end of your base and roof onto a new piece of card to make a 'D' shapes piece of card that will be the back of your house.

Step 4:

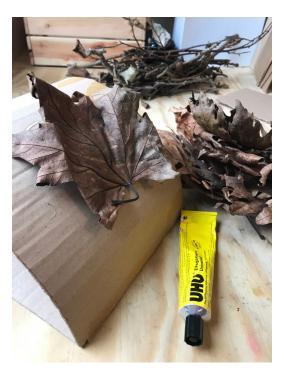
Cut it out and glue or tape to cover the hole at one end of your hedgehog house. (Right)

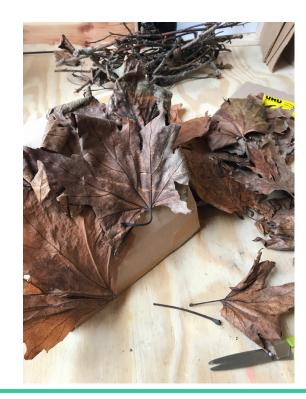
Step 5:

Next, use the leaves you collected from outside to disguise the cardboard so that it can blend into the leafy ground. Glue the leaves onto the cardboard however you want. You can make it colourful using multi-coloured leaves. (below)





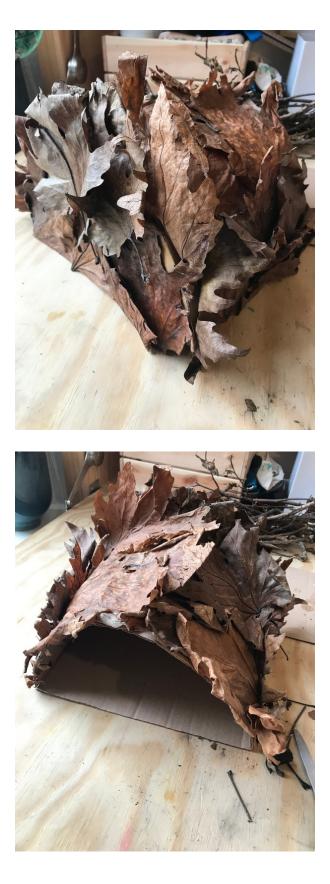




Step 6:

Don't forget to cover the back end in leaves as well!

When it's covered it should look like a pile of leaves so no one can tell it's a house!



Step 7:

Next, use the sticks you collected and lean them onto the sides of the house to further disguise the house. You can glue these in place or just lean them.





Step 8:

Cut another small rectangle of card and write a sign using a pen to go on the outside of your house. Mine says NO HUMANS ALLOWED! You can decorate the sign with more leaves if you want to, and use as many coloured pens or paints as you would like.







Step 9:

Flip the sign over and glue a stick or lolly stick to the back so that it can stand.



Step 10:

Tape the sign to the front of your house so it stands up nice and clear!



Step 11:

Now to make your hedgehog.

Draw around a round object on another piece of card and cut out the circle.





Step 12:

Glue leaves onto the card so that they look like spikes of a hedgehog. Layering the leaves give your hedgehog more spikes!





Step 13:

Cut out a triangle from your cardboard and glue it towards the Botton of your circle to create the face of your hedgehog.



Step 14:

Cut small circles from your card for ears and glue them in place too.

Add two eyes and a nose to your hedgehog using black paint or a black pen.



Step 14:

Flip the hedges over and add a stick to the back on one side so you can move the hedgehog puppet around.





Step 15:

Finally, add any leftover leaves into your hedgehog house to make it cosy, and welcome your hedgehog into their new home!

