

Animal homes
 Spot evidence of animals living in the woods



Rabbit warren

Small, rabbit-sized tunnels dug into banks and under trees



Squirrel drey

A football-sized nest, often built with twigs and leaves and nestled next to a tree trunk



Bat roost

Look out for the tell-tale black streak beneath holes in tree trunks. This is poo!



Tree hollow

Tucked into tree trunks, they're often home to tawny owls and little owls



Bird nest

Made with twigs, grass, moss and leaves. Peep among bushes and through tree branches



Spider web

There are different types of web – look out for orb, funnel and sheet webs



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Mouse tunnels

Tiny, mouse-sized tunnels. Their entrances are about the size of a 50p coin



Oak galls

Home to gall wasp larvae. As they grow, they feed on the gall.



Mole hills

Piles of soil pushed up out of the ground



Badger sett

Large, badger-sized tunnels, often dug into slopes. Their entrances look like capital Ds on their side



Woodpecker hole

Made by woodpeckers drilling with their beaks



Deadwood

Home to woodlice, stag beetles and millipedes. What else can you find?

Animals can live in trees and underground, so look for the tell-tale signs.

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