

My Own Backyard Habitat

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Every animal needs a safe habitat where it can find food, water, a place to hide, and a place to raise its young. You can create a backyard habitat for animals—even if you don't have your own backyard.

Cut out the backyard art page and each of the smaller pieces. You can draw your own animals, plants, and places, too. Decide which animals will live in or visit your backyard. Then pick which plants, water sources, and homes you will provide for those animals. You can play this many times and change the animals. Or you can glue your choices down and create a more permanent backyard habitat.

For more information on backyard habitats, go to <http://www.nwf.org/backyardwildlifehabitat/>.



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