

How to: Build a toad abode

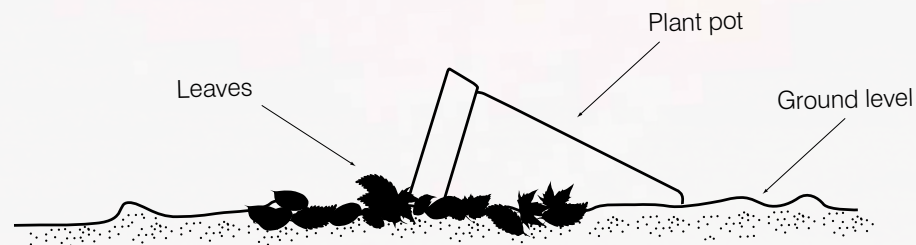
OK, so not everyone finds toads attractive. However, a single toad can consume 110 beetles, slugs, moths, sowbugs, armyworms and other bugs a day. That's around 3,300 per month! That makes them the ultimate ecofriendly free insecticide.



Toads are most active at night when slugs and cutworms are active. During the day, they need a fairly dark, cool place to hide from the sun and predators. A simple way to welcome one of these homely, but lovable gardeners friends is to make a toad abode.

Tools/Materials

- Old flower pot (about 20cm across the top).
- A trowel
- Dead Leaves, moist moss or natural mulch



Building your toad abode

- Dig a small hole and place the pot in on its side. Face the mouth of the pot to the south.
- Bury it to about halfway.
- Cover the inside and surrounding ground with dead leaves, moist, moss or mulch.
- Why not decorate your pot?



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