

# **Wild Memories**

A nature group for people living with dementia or memory loss

## Lockdown activities to keep engaging with nature and wildlife

#### LISTENING TO BIRD SONG

- · Wren, the blackbird and the robin, <u>click here</u>
- · Great tits, blue tits and coal tits, click here
- · Learn about pigeon songs, <u>click here</u>
- · Song thrush, mistle thrush, and the blackbird, click here.
- Swift, swallow, and house martin. These are summer visitors so won't be around until April or so! Click here to hear the recording.
- · The goldfinch, yellowhammer, and the chaffinch. Click here for this.
- The chiffchaff, the garden warbler, and the blackcap. <u>Click here for this.</u>
- · Blackbird, this time listening to its song, and also its calls. Click here to hear this.
- Listen again to the wren, and take a closer listen to the song and different calls the wren makes. <u>Click here for this</u>.
- · A recap quiz on bird songs Click here for this.

#### **MINDFULNESS ACTIVITIES**

- · Audio file Focusing on the breath and your body to relax and concentrate, click here
- Audio file Visualising a river. <u>Click here for this.</u>
- · Written activity Exploring the senses, <u>click here</u>

### **OTHER CREATIVE ACTIVITIES**

- · Step by step video on how to draw a toad click here
- Step by step video on how to draw a newt click here
- · Wildlife crossword to print out and do at home click here
- A choice of colouring in sheets to print and do at home. You could use pencils, paints such as watercolours, or what about a collage with some old magazines? <u>Adder here Common toad</u> <u>here Great crested newt here</u>
- Easy, step by step video on making an origami frog, <u>click here for this!</u>

#### **HELPING NATURE ACTIVITIES**

For those with a garden, and looking for something a bit more 'hands on'

- an instruction sheet on creating a pond without digging! Click here for this.
- · instruction sheet on making a log pile. Click here to see this. Log piles provide fantastic habitat for all kinds of marvellous creatures in your garden, including frogs, toads, newts, hedgehogs, and much more.

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