

We have noticed a huge increase in interest in wildlife ponds and this is fantastic!

One thing that all animals need is water. This makes installing a wildlife pond in your garden the most important thing that you can do for the animals in your area. You would be amazed at the diversity that even the smallest pool will bring.

Our customers have reported a huge increase in native fauna due to the rising numbers of this type of pond.

What wildlife will I attract in the Fylde?

- Birds such as goldfinches, goldcrests and even sparrowhawks and buzzards use our customers ponds for a drink
- Larger wildlife ponds often attract ducks.
- Mammals including hedgehogs, shrews and voles. Bats also feed on flying insects that live near water too.
- Frogs, toads and newts. Many of our customers have reported great crested newts thriving in their garden!
- Pollinating insects such as bees will stop for a well earned rest and a drink.
- Vulnerable species such as the great diving beetle.
- Sand lizards and common lizards both visit.



Did you know that the Fylde coast is one of only a few areas in the country that is home to sand lizards? These amazing animals are secretive but will bask near water in the morning.

Size doesnt matter...

Even the tiniest pool will benefit your garden in a thousand different ways and will become a sanctuary for all the animals that pass by.



Our range of pre-formed plastic pools and liners are more popular than ever and can be installed in an afternoon!

If you would like a larger pond to give you the option to keep fish, we have written another article to guide you through the simple process. [5 steps to building a flexible liner pond.](#)

Adding movement to your water will help to keep it fresh and well oxygenated and will encourage amphibians to breed. You may want to add a [pump](#) to help circulation and a [filter](#) to maintain clear water. Our best selling and exclusive [All In One Pond Filter, Pump and UV](#) is perfect for wildlife ponds and makes maintenance hassle-free.

Plants for the wildlife pond

All marginal plants and oxygenators are suitable for wildlife ponds. Lilies love water of 12" depth or more. We always stock a large variety of pond plants and are happy to advise you with regards to suitability.



All of our Pond Plants are grown in the UK in a way that actually benefits the ecosystem. we do not use pesticides and always have a selection dedicated to pollinating insects. Our Bees need all the help they can get!

Things to consider

A wildlife pond should always have at least one sloping edge so that animals can enter and exit the pond easily. If you have small children you may want to build a wall or fence around larger ponds. It goes without saying that children must always be supervised when playing near water.



Our own resident family of wild ducks have had five babies this year!

Other benefits of having a wildlife pond

We think that one of the greatest gifts that we can pass on to the younger generation is a respect of wildlife. Both kids and adults are always amazed at the diversity of life that can be found right outside the back door. Did you know that the Fylde coast is home to all three species of native newts? We have healthy populations of smooth, palmate, and great crested newts.



Who remembers catching tadpoles when they were younger? For some of us that fascination never went away and with it remained a love of nature that lasts for ever.

In a world where games can be played across the world and phones are smart so that we don't need to be, even the smallest wildlife pond lets us relax. Forget about virtual reality and just enjoy reality. Nature is waiting so why not invite it in to your garden.