

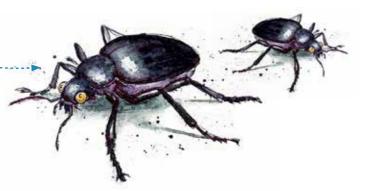


Compost

Composting is a great way to recycle waste into nourishing plant food. Vegetable peelings, tea bags and many other items are perfect to be added into your compost bin. Lift a lid and see what you can spot.

Bugs

Helpful creepy crawlies break down kitchen and garden waste to make delicious plant food. What creatures can you see in the compost bins?





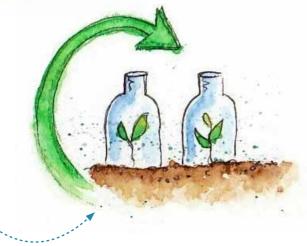
Energy

All plants need energy to grow. We capture energy from the sun with solar panels, can you think of what else we might have in the gardens to capture the suns energy for heat? How many can you find in the gardens?



Recycling

Recycling is a great way to cut down on what you put in the rubbish bin, helping the environment! What objects in the garden do you think have been recycled?





Natural habitats

Widlife creatures are very good to have in your garden as they look after and balance the ecosystem of the garden. Some of these creatures like to live in warm, dark and wet spots - can you find any of their homes?



Pollination

A pollinator is a very important animal or creature that moves pollen between plants to help them reproduce. How many creatures can you name which are excellent pollinators? Here's a clue... they have wings...





6 Growing Food

Growing your own fruit and vegetables is cheap and fun. The closer your food is grown to your plate the better! It reduces energy and helps the environment. What vegetables can you see at this point and around the rest of the gardens?



Water Usage

The best source of water for your garden is rain, so try and collect it up for dry spells to water your garden. How do we collect rain water in our gardens? Could you do this at home?



Seeds -

All plants produce seeds. You can collect these seeds and use them to grow these plants again and again. Can you think of some fruits and vegetables you have eaten where you can clearly see the seeds?



Container Growing

It doesn't matter if you have a small garden or no garden at all, you can grow lovely plants in containers. It doesn't have to be in a flower pot - use your imagination to think of things you could grow plants in. What are we using to grow our plants in?



Garden and plant health

A healthy and happy garden starts with healthy soil. Do you remember what is used to help provide lots of goodness to plants through the soil?





At Ryton Gardens we manage our gardens using organic methods - this means working with and encouraging nature. As you walk around the gardens you should see lots of wildlife including birds, bees, insects and maybe even a frog or two.

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return this map to reception before you leave, thank you!