Make your place frog friendly

Build a frog hotel

Frog hotels are easy to make, and can provide a handy place for nocturnal tree frogs to hang out during the day. Adding a solar light can attract insects and moths for frogs to snack on!

Build a frog pond

A shallow pond in part shade, with lots of plants in and around it, will provide great habitat for frogs. The sides should slope gently so frogs can get out easily. Add rocks and logs to provide extra shelter for adult frogs

Avoid using pesticides

Did you know that frogs use their skin - not their mouth to drink? They also breathe through their skin! So it's really important that they aren't exposed to pesticides, which can severely harm or kill them

Learn to identify frogs

The Australian Museum's FrogID app has lots of info to help you identify frogs by call or appearance. It also lets you record frog calls on your phone and match them to records on the app. Download at https://www.frogid.net.au

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Let's build a Frog Hotel!

What you'll need

- Selection of PVC pipes in different diameters - we used 25, 40 and 90 mm
- Some PVC flanges and elbows, to fit your pipes
- A container to stand the pipes in
- Enough sand or soil to hold your pipes upright
- A handful or two of small rocks and pebbles (optional)

How to build your Frog Hotel

- Cut your pipes into various lengths. We cut ours to lengths ranging from 15 to 40 cm. Sand the edges, to smooth them
- Add the ends we used a selection of 90-deg elbows and flanges, and left others bare
- Put the sand or soil in your container
- Arrange your pipes in the container, pushing them into the sand/soil to hold them in place (Pic 2)
- Spread the pebbles around the pipes to make it look nice
- Add a personalised sign, to welcome your local frogs!

Wait for frogs to visit!

- Place your frog hotel in a shady spot in the garden, ready for frogs to move in!
- You could add some plants around it to create extra habitat
- You can even add a solar light to attract moths and insects for your frogs to feed on



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