

EU GO- EUROPEAN URBAN GARDENS OTESHA

IDENTIFICATION OF A GOOD EDUCATIONAL PRACTICE OR TOOL

Name of the community garden			Possible short title for the practice		
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All	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	School	Intercultural dialogue	Intergenerational dialogue	
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Youngsters	<input type="checkbox"/>	Social service	Sustainable Consumption	Education to sustainable development	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
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Women	<input type="checkbox"/>	Migrants service	Health promotion	Social cohesion	
Elderly	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neighbourhood	Horticultural therapy	Leisure activity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Other (specify)			Other (specify)		
DESCRIPTION Please describe the practice you have developed.					
<p>Through human activities, many habitats of insects have been reduced or destroyed (removal of dead trees in the forests, building facades without gaps, farming with monocultures and pesticides, removal of hedges at field boundaries, ...).</p> <p>With insects hotels a habitat for these animals can be provided. Because different species of insects have different demands on their nests, various materials are used. The more different materials are used, the more insect species will inhabit the hotel.</p>					
AIMS AND OUTCOMES Which are the main purposes tackled in a community garden with this tool? Which concrete results have been observed at short and long term?					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Many different insects will be offered a habitat. - The insects are useful for the garden (pollination of the plants, eating of plant lice). - Many people still have prejudices against insects. These prejudices can be reduced during the construction process and the subsequent maintenance of such an insect hotel. 					
WHAT MAKES IT A GOOD PRACTICE OR TOOL? Identify which elements make this action a good practice, for ex. Innovation, coherence, link with other projects or people, favours social mixing, simplify work, earn time or money, etc.					
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - For the construction many materials can be used which are already available in the garden. - A low-cost construction is possible. - Technical skills can be trained. - Because the necessary working steps are not complicated, children can participate at the construction of the hotel. 					
STEP BY STEP Please, describe how to put in practice, guiding with clear instruction and materials needed someone that would like to experiment your tool in a local community garden around Europe					



- Selection of a location: a sunny and warm place that is protected from wind and rain + close to herbs, trees and rich flowering plants.
- Construction of a box of untreated timbers and / or boards (walls, floor boards, roof).
- Fill the compartments with different materials: brick, straw, reed mats, logs, mud with holes, trunk discs with drilled holes, twigs.

This work should be completed before the beginning of spring!

COMPETENCES Which are the previous knowledge and skills required to put in practice this tool?

Information which insects needs which materials for their nests.

EVALUATION How do you normally evaluate the outcomes of this tool?

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