

NINE CREEPY-CRAWLIES YOU MIGHT SEE IN YOUR GARDEN

How many can you spot?



Easy to see: These slow bugs are usually quite easy to see on leaves – but remember, don't touch!



A gardener's friend: Attracted to yellow flowers, their larvae help to keep aphids under control.



What's in a name? Shouldn't they be called a leopard moth? Where are their stripes?



I'm not going to win any races: Slow and steady, the common garden snail moves at just 45 metres per hour.



How many spots? The most common species of this colourful insect is the seven-spotted ladybird – how many can you find and how many spots do they have?



A helping hand: Ants live in colonies of up to 40,000 individuals and lay scent paths from food back to the nest so that other ants can also find it.



Pollination power: Keep your distance but watch how they move from one plant to another, pollinating flowers. This helps the plant produce seeds and fruit.



A flash of white: Planting nasturtiums in your garden will attract these butterflies and can help to keep your cabbages safe by offering alternative food.



Don't judge by appearances: Did you know slugs play a vital role in decomposition and returning nutrients to the soil?

