



## **BC Wild Animal Homes**

There are a lot of wild animals in BC and different animals have different needs, especially for the place they call home. See if you can find these animal homes where you live or when you explore a new area. How many different homes can you find? Remember to be careful not to disturb the inhabitants!



A soccer ball-sized nest, often built with twigs and leaves and nestled next to a tree trunk.

> Beaver Dam Built of sticks, stones and mud, dams create streamflow ponds. Conical or dome-shaped lodges

surrounded by water are also signs of a beaver.

Bird Nest Made with twigs, grass, moss, and leaves. Tucked in among bushes and tree branches.

> Deadwood Home to woodlice, stag beetles, and millipedes. What else can you find?



Mouse Tunnels Tiny, mouse-sized tunnels. Their entrances are about the size of a toonie.



Woodpecker Hole Made by woodpeckers drilling with their beaks. Can you hear their rhythmic pecking? Mole Hills Piles of soil pushed up out of the ground.

## Bat Roost

Look out for the tell-tale black streak beneath holes in tree trunks. This is bat poo, called "guano."



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Large badger-sized tunnels are often dug into slopes with a slightly round entrance. Badgers are endangered in BC! They can be dangerous, so never approach a sett, but view safely from afar.



Find a home or nest not on the list? Draw what you see here!

Spider Web There are many types of webs! Look out for orb, funnel, and sheet webs. Hold a black piece of construction paper behind the web to see the details better!

Tree Hollow Tucked into tree trunks, they're often home to owls.



Rabbit Warren Small, rabbit-sized tunnels dug into banks and under trees.