



# Hedgehogs need your help!

Over the past 20 years the hedgehog population has declined by 30% and in some areas as much as 50%.

In 2020 hedgehogs were added to the Red List for British Mammals classing them as 'vulnerable to extinction'.

## Who we are

Prickly Pigs Hedgehog Rescue is a family run hedgehog rescue in Otley, West Yorkshire. We take in sick, injured and orphaned hedgehogs from the local area with the view of treating them and releasing them back into the wild once fit and healthy. We are not a large charity, and only operate out of our garage, with the help of amazing volunteers we take in hundreds of hedgehogs, with our numbers increasing every year.

## HUNGRY HUNGRY HEDGEHOGS ARE FINDING IT HARDER TO FIND FOOD

Leave out meaty pet food, cat biscuits, and only water to drink.



We make and sell pet resistance hedgehog feeding stations that help protect the food from the weather and prevents larger animals pinching it.

You can order them through our website for £10 or contact us to find out how to make your own.



Telephone 07434 626832





## Honeysuckle

Honeysuckle came to us with what we assumed was a chemical burn on her legs and tummy. She had obviously walked through something that had been spilt on the floor which meant she had lost all her fur and her skin was red raw and blistering. With a mixture of soothing medicated baths and medicine, over time, her fur grew back, her skin healed and she was released back into the wild.

## How are we funded?

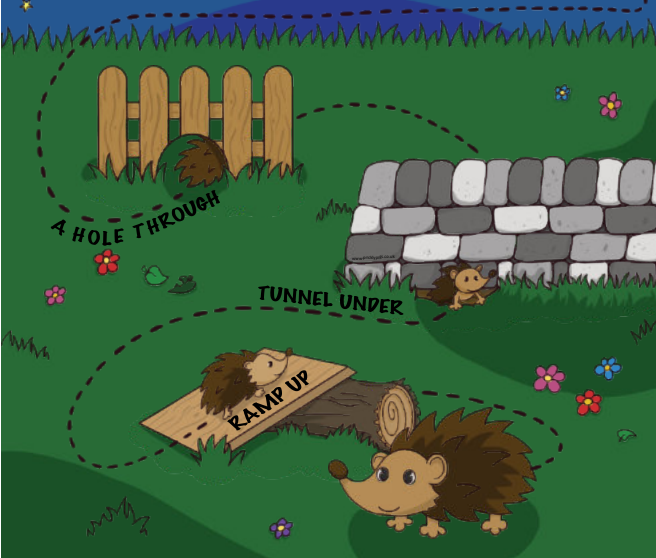
We currently do not receive any grants or funding for the rescue which means we are completely self funded. We raise money, and general public awareness, by attending local events and holding our own fundraising day. This means we rely on the generosity of members of the public and without your support we simply could not treat and care for as many hedgehogs as we do. If anyone would like to help with our fundraising then please get in touch.



## Online Shop

Another way we raise funds is by selling hedgehog themed goods through our online shop. Lots of the things we sell are beautifully crafted by lovely volunteers, making the items totally unique and a great present for someone, or just yourself. [www.pricklypigs.co.uk](http://www.pricklypigs.co.uk)

## HEDGEHOG HIGHWAYS HELP HUNGRY HEDGEHOGS FORAGE FURTHER



A Hedgehog Highway linking gardens can be easily achieved by simply making a 13cm hole in your fence or removing a section of your gravel board. This is big enough for a hedgehog to pass through but too small for most pets. Be creative, hedgehogs will climb small ramps and bricks or remove some soil to create a dip for them to pass under.

We can be contacted on  
07434 626832  
or for non emergency's  
[pricklypigs@outlook.com](mailto:pricklypigs@outlook.com)

# HEDGEHOG SOS

If you see a hedgehog



## There's a worm at the bottom of the garden

Worm had fallen down a light well and got himself trapped in a wall whilst trying to get out. He was very hungry & thirsty when we eventually got him out. He had worn away all his claws trying to escape but, with some TLC and medication, his toes healed and his claws regrew.



## Daytime Hedgehogs

Hedgehogs are nocturnal creatures and should only come out at night. Generally, most hedgehogs out during the day are probably in trouble and will need help. Always get in touch with your nearest rescue for advice.

## What to do next

Carefully pick the hedgehog up and pop it into a high sided box with a towel or blanket to hide in. Fill a hot water bottle with hot tap water (not boiling), wrap in a towel and put under the hedgehog making sure it can get off if it gets too hot.

## Samwise

Samwise was found collapsed after having some form of head trauma. He was unable to stand on his own and whenever he tried to walk he would fall over. He loved his food.



He was unable to feed himself and starving on arrival. He had to be held while he ate, and water offered to him as he laid down, or he would fall into the bowl. Samwise made a full recover and now roams Otley.





Pink and Max were orphaned hoglets that had to be hand reared by us. They had to be fed every two hours before they learnt how to feed themselves. Once old enough they were released back into the wild and can be found visiting the gardens they were released into.

## Finding Nemo

Nemo was found in a garden pond. He had probably been there most of the night and was suffering from exhaustion and hypothermia. It took us over two days to slowly warm him up and get him back on his feet. Hedgehogs can swim but please make sure they have a way of getting out of your garden pond. If you need assistance please get in touch.



## Can you spare £2 a month?

Lots of small monthly donations soon add up. Setting up a standing order is super easy and you stay completely in control.

Over the course of a year even a small monthly donation makes a big difference.

## Our Wish List

It takes masses of gloves, cleaning materials and blue roll to run a rescue. We have sourced the best deals from our suppliers to keep our costs as low as possible.



If you would like to donate items from our wish list visit our website where you can find our list. You can even set up a regular delivery.

£2 a month covers the cost of an x-ray of a poorly leg.

£5 a month provides complete care for one hedgehog (on average).

Why not give up one takeaway coffee a month and help a hedgehog?

Sort code: 20-98-98

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