

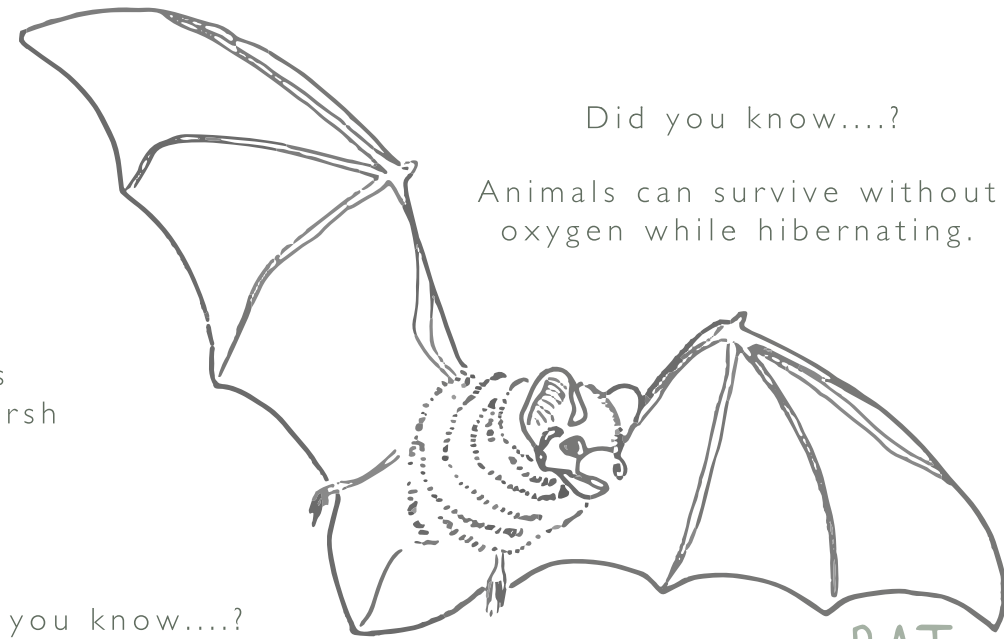
Hibernating Animals



When the rest of the bumblebee colony dies at the end of summer, queen bumblebees do something more associated with hedgehogs – they hibernate.

Did you know....?

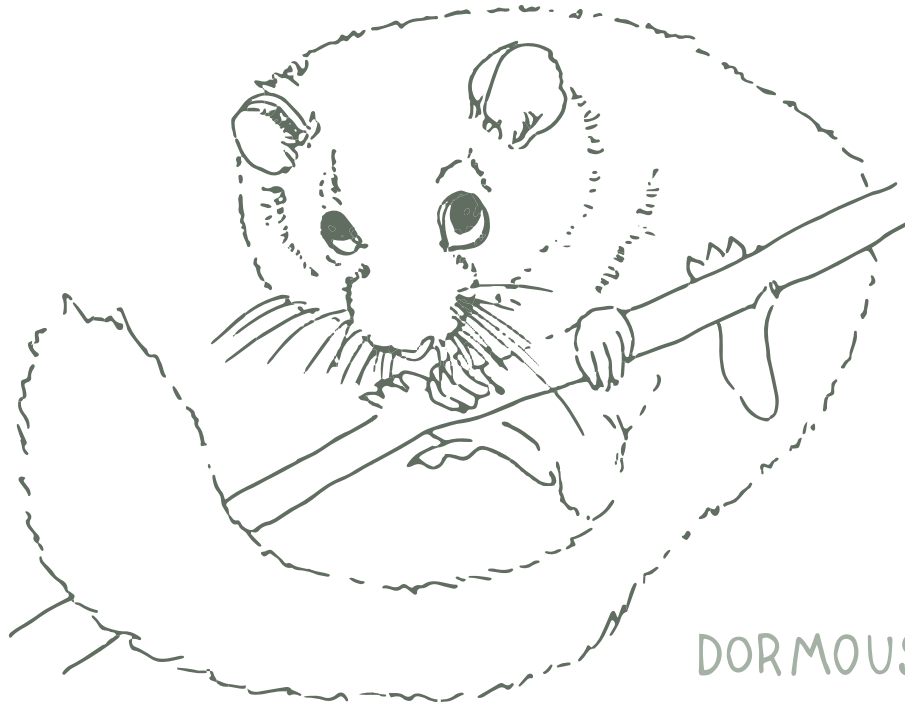
Animals can survive without oxygen while hibernating.



BAT

Did you know....?

Animals don't dream during hibernation. During their long winter sleep, an animal's body is too cold to produce the electric currents related to dreaming.



DORMOUSE

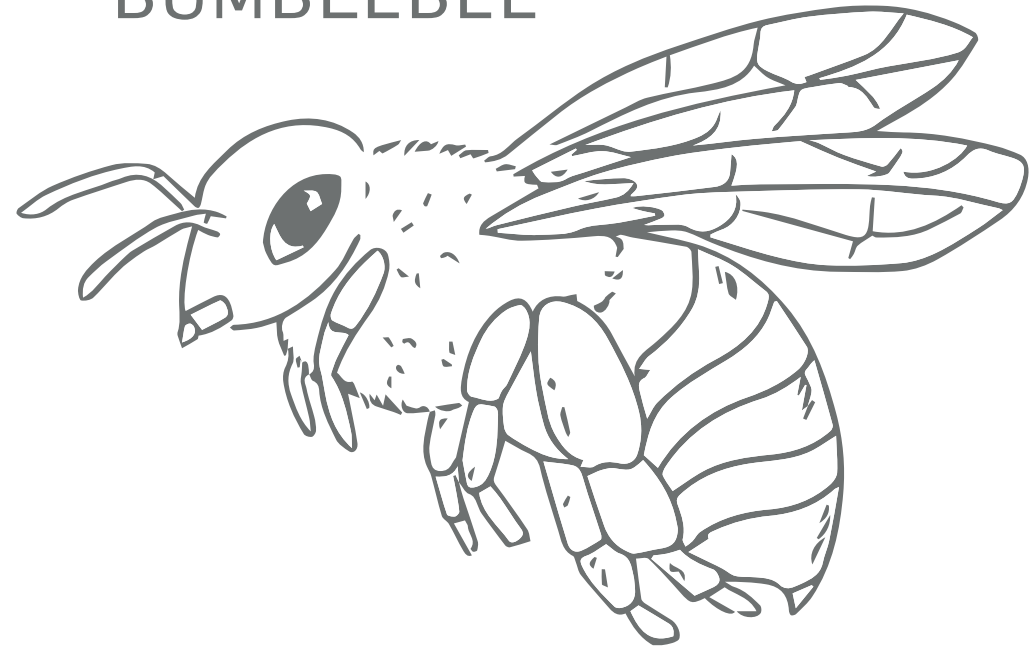


HEDGEHOG

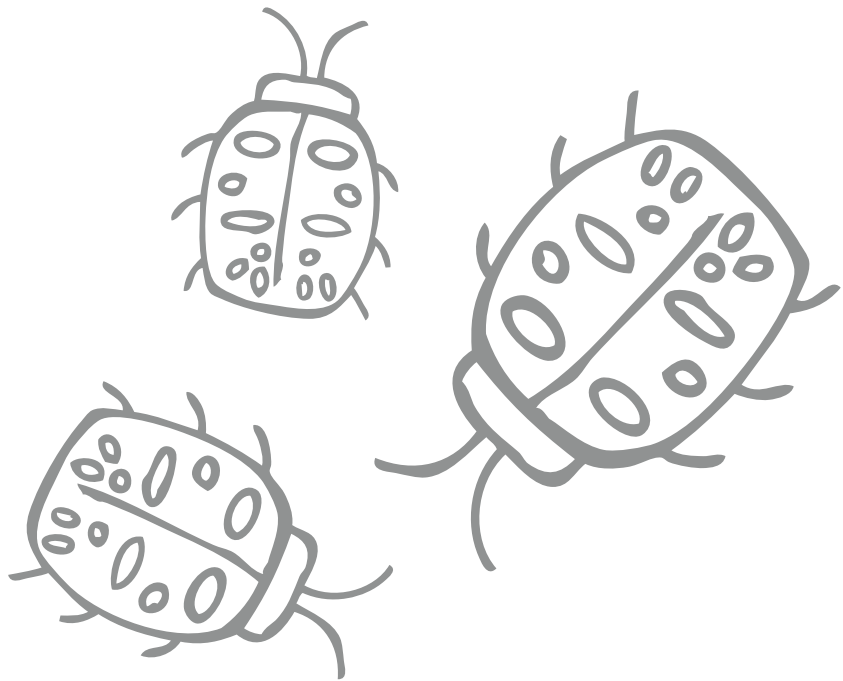
In the UK, only three mammal groups truly hibernate. All of our bat species, hedgehogs and dormice retreat to their toastie little homes from around October/November to March/April the following year.

Hibernation is when an animal slows its heart rate to save energy and survive the winter without eating much. Some animals just slow down and move less frequently during hibernation, but others go into a deep sleep and don't wake up till spring.

BUMBLEBEE



LADYBIRDS



SNAILS

