

Your outdoor environment ON A BUDGET



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Re-vamping your garden, doesn't need to mean that there will be a big expense for your setting, so we've put together some money saving ideas for you to try...

FAIRY GARDEN

Creating a fairy garden doesn't need to be expensive – why not try making house out of old plastic beakers, or upcycle twigs, moss and stones from the garden



Have you tried painting pebbles...



Why not paint some fruit and veg and use them in your mud kitchen.

WILD MEADOW



You don't need to buy lots of expensive flowers to bring some colour and scent to your outdoor space – wild meadows are great fun, full of colour, texture, scent and are CHEAP!

TYRES

Tyres are super versatile and super cheap. They can be used to help develop children's gross motor skills – specifically dynamic stability.

Tyres are also a great idea to use for planters. However, there is mixed advice when it comes to planting crops in them due to the toxins which can be released from the tyres when they get hot. Therefore we advise not growing crops which grow underground which you plan on consuming. It is also important to ensure that you line the tyres.



Scavenger hunts are a great way to explore the outdoor environment on a budget

SCAVENGER HUNT



Why not build a den with the things you find on your scavenger hunt...

SENSORY PATHS



A sensory path is good for all age groups. Children of all ages can walk or crawl along the different textures, as well as sitting and feeling the different textures.

Recycle, reuse, scavage and collect small amounts of different textures to keep it cheap.



Outdoor Canvas



Why not designate an area in your outdoor space as an 'outdoor canvas' where children can develop gross motor skills while creating their pieces of art.

This could be on the wall or the floor!

