



Mole







DESCRIPTION

Moles have short, velvety fur, tiny eyes and a long, sensitive nose.

They live underground and are rarely, if ever, seen above the surface.

TYPICAL HABITATS

Urban, gardens, upland, moorland, grassland, mixed woodland.

RANGE

Throughout mainland UK.

FIELD SIGNS

Molehills

Molehills are the characteristic and easy to recognise field sign to record the presence of moles. Molehills consist of pure loose soil.

When moles dig, they push the loosened soil up a shaft to the surface, forming piles of earth. These molehills are easy to spot and indicate the presence of moles.

Moles use molehills as a food source, especially for earthworms and insects.







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