

Woodlice



Facts about Woodlice:

- One is called a 'woodlouse' and many are called 'woodlice'.
- A woodlouse has 14 legs and an outer shell.
- When it becomes too big for its shell it moults its shell. First the front falls off and two days later the back falls off.
- Woodlice have a pair of feelers called antennae, to help them find their way around.
- Woodlice like dark, damp places to live.
- Woodlice breathe through gills on the side of their body.
- Woodlice eat rotting plants, fungi and their own poo!
- Woodlice don't pee. They let off a strong smelling gas instead.
- A woodlouse can live for up to 4 years.
- Woodlice are eaten by toads, centipedes, shrews and spiders. Some woodlice can roll into a ball when they sense danger.