

# Ten Sure Places to Find Bugs

Under Stones & Boards ♦ At Flowers ♦ On Plants & Trees ♦ Animals ♦ Under Rocks ♦ Swimming in Water



Look under **STONES AND BOARDS**. (Turn them back to where they were when finished, so they will be ready again.) This form of collecting is good all-year long.

Examine **FLOWERS** of every species for insects feeding or hiding there. Be careful not to break the plants, then they may be profitably visited again and again.



Visit **WOOD PILES** and piles of sticks. You may be surprised with a large beetle or two.

Use a fine water net to catch insects you can see **SWIMMING IN WATER**. There may be water striders, mosquito larvae, water boatmen, backswimmers and several kinds of aquatic beetles.



**PLANTS** are attacked by many different insects. Learn your plants and visit or sweep as many different species as possible. Keep good records - they are valuable.

Try your front **CAR BUMPER AND WINDSHIELDS**, especially on long trips. Stop every so often to record where specimens collided with the car.



Examine **WINDOWS** on the sunny side of buildings. Insects may be found trying to get out, especially in early spring.

**A PORCH LIGHT**, especially on a white house, will attract many species. Bright white bulbs work well.



**MAMMAL AND BIRDS** - Almost every species has its own species of lice or fleas. Would your animal miss a few?

Sift through **LEAVES**, decayed wood and other debris. Use a sieve or spread them out on a white cloth or paper. Many small insects may be found in this way.

