

THE WONDERS OF WORM CHARMING!



Believe it or not but Worm Charming competitions have been taking place since 1980 with this first winner managing to charm 511 worms out of the ground in half an hour!

There is now a competition every year which takes place all over the world! There are 18 rules to charming worms but I don't think we need to stick to all these. Here are some helpful tips for charming your worms:



STEP 1: CHOOSE YOUR PATCH.

Working together draw out 2mx2m patches where you will charm your worms.

STEP 2: SHOW THEM SOME LOVE!

Although not allowed in the actual event we can use water to charm our worms out, consider how to moisten your patch to woo your worms! Feel free to sing them your favourite song or read them a poem or give them an example of your best dancing!

STEP 3: GOOD VIBRATIONS

One of the best ways to get the worms to come to the surface is to create vibrations in the ground. This could be by pushing a pole into the ground and giving it a wobble and a bang or using a garden fork which could then be banged to create vibrations!

All worms that pop up to see you must be carefully handled and placed into some damp soil in a pot whilst you finish your charming!

After half an hour's work count up your worms and see who's won. Don't forget to put back all the worms you charmed afterwards.



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