

Trees are Habitats

A habitat is a place where an animal or plant gets everything it needs to live: such as food, water, shelter and space. A habitat may be as much as 100 square miles of forest for a male black bear, or a single plant for an insect. A tree may serve as an essential part of an animal's habitat.

Make a list of some animals that use trees as habitats:

Now take a walk around some trees and make a list of all the signs you see of animals using the tree as part of their habitat. Look closely and consider animals that might live inside the trees, perch on the trees, nest in the branches, or feed on parts of the tree. Make a list of the animal signs you find, and make a guess as to what animal left the sign: