

AGRICULTURAL LANDSCAPE HABITAT



Animal field players

The stadium is surrounded by agricultural land. Various animals also live in the fields. What is their habitat like? Find out more here!



AGRICULTURAL LANDSCAPE



Wildlife often has a hard time in intensively farmed areas. The edges of the stadium area with flowering areas and bushes are therefore a welcome habitat for endangered species.



The grey partridge

The habitat of this well-camouflaged ratite is shrinking. It needs field margins and hedges as hiding places and lots of insects to raise its chicks.



The brown hare

The long-eared hare actually prefers grassland as its habitat. Unlike the rabbit, the brown hare does not live in burrows, but rather in a hollow in the ground, the 'sow', and remains in the same place for its entire life.

HABITAT FOR INSECT DIVERSITY



Action not only on the pitch

The flowering areas around the stadium are home to many insects - important playmakers in nature. Discover biodiversity here!

INSECT DIVERSITY



The blue-winged grasshopper feels at home on the gravel with its sparse vegetation.



The many wild herbs around the stadium encourage bumblebees, wild bees and many other insect species.



The larvae of the protected ram's ram have their nursery in dead branches of deciduous trees.



In spring you can see the foam nests for the larvae of the willow cicada on the purple willows in the hollows of the car park.



The wild carrot serves as food for the caterpillars of the swallowtail.



The common long-bellied hoverfly is an industrious pollinator.



The peacock butterfly likes the nectar of wild flowers and lays its eggs on stinging nettles.



The weeping rose chafer lives in dead wood and often sits in the middle of flowers, as pollen is its food.

PLANT DIVERSITY HABITAT



Home game for wild plants

A large part of the car park in front of the stadium is surfaced with gravel. Troughs ensure that the surface water can run off and seep away. These rather dry, warm, unfertilized areas are a good habitat for many regional wild plants.

Meet the plant stars outside the stadium!



PLANT DIVERSITY

Many different types of wild plants have colonized our green spaces. From spring to autumn, you can find flowering wild herbs here. These include the 'pizza spice' oregano. Plant diversity also means insect diversity. Insects, in turn, are the main food of our native birds during the rearing of their offspring.



Field widow flower



Yarrow



Pigeonweed



Yellow Resede



Comfrey



Small meadow button



Musk mallow



Oregano



Red campion



Seed vetch



Scabious knapweed



Radioless camomile



Spotted St John's wort



Chicory



White campion



Meadow sage



Wild daisy

RAINWATER RETENTION BASIN HABITAT



In the rear area: space for water and nature

This retention basin is located on the edge of the stadium grounds. Surface water collects here after rainfall and can seep away.

What's hiding in the bushes?

RAINWATER RETENTION BASIN

The hedge and the basin are a habitat for many animal and plant species. A carpet of creeping buttercup blooms at the bottom of the retention basin in spring, while the nightingale sings in the surrounding woodland. The thorny dog roses are a favourite nesting place for the whitethroat. At the edge of the hedges, stinging nettles and garlic rauks ensure that butterflies such as the peacock butterfly or the aurora butterfly find food plants for their caterpillars.



Whitethroat



Dog rose



Creeping buttercup



Nightingale



Red dogwood



Weeping cherry

SWALLOWS' HABITAT AT THE STADION



Swallows are welcome here

Not every swallow is a case for the referee! The elegant flying artists cavort around the stadium. They have discovered the stadium as an ideal breeding ground. Find out more!



SWALLOWS AT THE STADIUM

The MEWA ARENA is home to the second largest colony of house martins in the Mainz city area. The birds build their hanging nests from clay that they find in the puddles in the neighbourhood. They incubate three to five eggs in the nest up to three times a year.

In addition to the rather brown house martins, you can also see some barn swallow nests at the stadium. The barn swallow is a real aerial acrobat and prefers to build its open-top nest on beams or wall projections.

Swallows are endangered because they are finding fewer and fewer places and materials to build their nests. That is why 1. FSV Mainz 05 is making sure that birds and fans alike feel at home in the stadium. The club was awarded the 'Swallows Welcome' plaque by NABU for these measures.



House martin



Barn Swallow