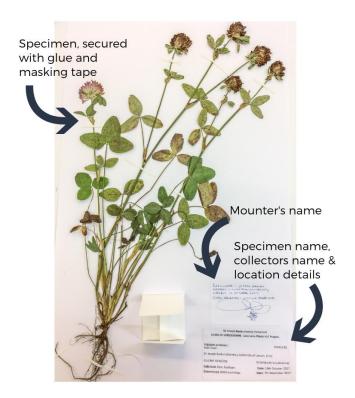




How to mount a pressed plant specimen

- Trim off any excess leaves (taking care not to remove too many, leaving example of each type) so that the specimen lies flat on the paper.
- 2. Decide where to position your specimen before mounting try and fit the whole specimen in the centre of the paper. Try folding a couple of leaves over so you have an example of the front and back.
- 3. Apply a light layer of PVA glue and water mix (50/50 mix) to the back of your specimen by gently patting with a brush or sponge.



- 4. Position your specimen and press down gently.
- 5. Place a piece of paper or card over your mounted specimen, then weight down with beanbags and leave to dry for 5-10 minutes.
- 6. Using masking tape, cut small strips and apply to areas which may come loose (roots, large stems or below flower heads). This will keep your specimen extra secure.
- 7. Fill in the information label on the bottom right hand side.
- 8. Fill in your name and today's date on the 'Mounted by' label.









