

Design a Duck Pond



**Lets meet Mr Mallard
and his pond**

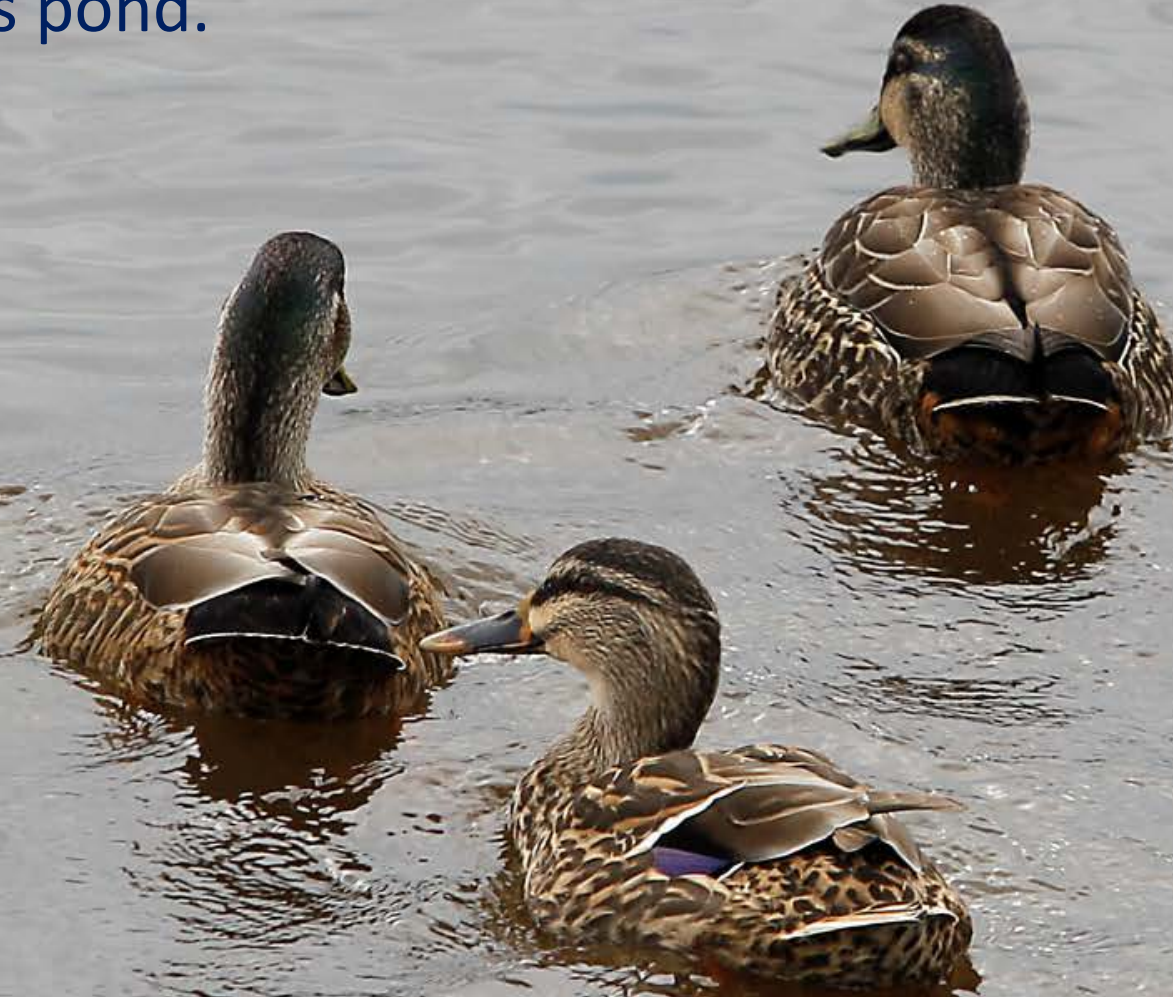
Mr Mallard has built this pond at his farm.

He loves Mallard ducks, and he thought that building a pond would bring the ducks in so he could watch them.

Unfortunately the ducks just fly by and he is wondering what he has done wrong... I mean ducks like water – right?



Mr Mallard heard that your class is studying wetlands and New Zealand ducks and he thought that you might be able to help him attract some ducks to his pond.



Mr Mallard has been able to tell you that his pond:

- has some areas in the middle that are 1 metre deep, but most of the pond is only 40 cm deep
- There is a small creek running into the pond and an outlet at the other side – this provides plenty of freshwater in the pond
- He hasn't planted any plants yet



Mr Mallard would like to see an artwork of your choice to show him what his pond could look like.

Things we need to think about:

- What sort of plants will you plant?
- Where will you plant them?
- What type of birds or insects will your plants attract?
- Will you put something there for Mr Mallard to sit and watch the birds?
- Will you need some fences to keep stock out?
- Will you need some predator control?

