



VEGGIE BUGS



To make the snail:

Slice a piece of celery about 3 inches long. Shave a bit off the back of the celery stick with a knife so it sits flat. Fill the celery with cream cheese, hummus, guacamole, or any other favorite. Prop a cucumber slice and two pieces of chives or two carrot slivers in the cream cheese or hummus. Make Kix "eyes" by drawing a dot with the black food marker on two pieces of cereal. Place on the front of the snail.

To make the ladybug:

Wash room temperature cherry or grape tomatoes and let dry completely. Use the tip of a black food marker to draw small dots. The tomato surface may resist the marker, so just make small dots. Arrange with a raisin or olive head.

To make the dragonfly:

Arrange 5 or 6 peas for the body. Top with two Kix "eyes" (see above). For the wings, cut pieces of carrot or peppers and arrange around the body.

Meaghan Mountford, author of *Sugarlicious: 50 Cute and Clever Treats for Every Occasion*, has been creating crafty sweets for 15 years. She is especially fond of decorating cookies, marshmallows and putting sweets on sticks. See more on her blog, [the decorated cookie](#).

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