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Residents enjoy Pet Therapy with an exotic twist

The ladies and gentlemen at Woodstock Residential Care Home had a Pet Therapy session with a difference on Monday 13 August. A mobile mini zoo paid us a visit and brought their furry (*and slimy!*) friends for residents to experience.

Residents were able to hold a variety of exotic creatures including snakes, rats, a tortoise and a giant snail – they also got to look at tarantula up-close! Margaret said, "*the snail was slimy*", and she wasn't sure if she liked the way it felt.

Pet Therapy certainly brings a lot of joy to our residents here at **Woodstock**, along with **feelings of companionship, comfort and raised self-esteem**. A visit from a furry friend or a creepy crawly, however short, provides an enjoyable break from the normal daily routine.



