

WILDLIFE

IN SPRING



Barn Owls are birds of prey which hunt small mammals. They have very sensitive hearing and have an average 4yr life span.



Brown Hares have long ears and long, powerful hind legs. They reach an average height of 60cm. They are generally found in grassland and can reach speed of up to 45mph when they sense danger.



Palmate Newts can be found on moorland & around bogs. Adults can grow up to 9cm with brown, green or grey smooth skin. They are generally active during dawn & dusk.



Bluebells can be found around the ancient woodlands in Gisburn during late April & May. They can grow up to 50cm tall and carpet the woodland floor. The bells shaped flowers have a sweet scent with up to 20 growing on each stalk.

WOODLAND BIRDS



Sparrowhawks are small birds of prey with an average wing span of 60-80cm. They are usually seen in woodlands and gardens and mainly feed on small birds.



Kestrels can be found around the more open parts of Gisburn and will hunt among hedgerows and verges for their prey.



Buzzards are large birds of prey with a wingspan of 113 - 128cm. They can be found in woodland but prefer to hunt over open land. They eat mainly small mammals.