

Native tree bud hunt - a winter challenge

1. Find the area in Silk Wood marked on the map.
2. Here, there are many native trees planted in one place.
3. Each tree will be labelled to help you identify the tree.
4. Find each of the nine trees named below and look at their buds.
5. Match each bud to one of the descriptions and then to its photo overleaf.
6. Write the number from 1-9 for the correct species underneath the photo on the dotted line. You now have a letter and number beneath each photo.
7. Write the letter in the numbered box below to discover another native species.



Nine native trees

1. Ash
2. Common Beech
3. Hornbeam
4. Gean (bird cherry)
5. Common Oak
6. Hawthorn
7. Rowan (mountain ash)
8. Silver Birch
9. Hazel

Bud descriptions (in a different order!)

1. Red buds
2. Long, thin, pointed buds, lying along twig
3. Clusters of brown, shiny buds
4. Pointed, hairy buds
5. Long, thin, pointed buds, sticking out from twig
6. Short, fat brown buds with speckled twigs
7. Black, opposite buds
8. Green buds and hairy upper twig
9. Brown alternate buds, with clusters at tip of twig

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