

Jubilee Country Park Nature Trail

Post 4 in Spring



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Up in the Treetops



Look up at the oak tree to the right of the path as you approach post 4. Can you see the beautifully circular hole made by a woodpecker?

The woodpecker's thick skull, neck and beak give it the strength to drill out a nesting hole inside the tree.

If you are lucky you may see a woodpecker or a ring-necked parakeet which has taken up residence in the hole.



Green
Woodpecker



Great Spotted
Woodpecker

Listen, you may hear a Great Spotted Woodpecker drumming to define territory and attract a mate.



Ring-necked Parakeet

In the Woods



Goat Willow partially coppiced

Goat Willow was coppiced and the wood used for fuel and to make clothes pegs.

Notice the colour of the wood where it has been partially coppiced.

Hawthorns are hermaphrodite. This means that each flower contains both male and female parts.

Note the grey lichen called 'Physcia' growing on the twigs. This does not harm the tree.



Hawthorn in bud with Physcia lichen

The Forest Floor

Delicate wood anemones form a carpet in spring.

Look for different mosses, sedge, ivy and bramble.



Wood Anemone



Dandelion with tiny early pollinator



Moss, ivy and sedge



Leaf Miner Trail

Look for the trails made by leaf miners. Many insect larvae produce mines by burrowing, and feeding between the upper and lower leaf surfaces.

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