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# Terrific Trees

## at Cliveden

Plenty of old, special and terrific trees can be found here at Cliveden. Explore different areas of the estate while discovering the delights of Cliveden's trees.

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## Tree-mendous topiary

Topiary (tow·peeuh·ree) is the art of cutting trees or shrubs into decorative shapes. There are a few great examples to be found in Cliveden's Long Garden.

How many topiary shapes can you spot?  
Can you find the one shaped into an animal?

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## Cracking conkers



Look out for horse chestnut trees and collect the best conkers you can find. When you get home, peel back the prickly shell, make a hole through the middle, thread with string and let the battle commence!

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## Lovely limes

Head towards the Grand Avenue lined with lots of lovely lime trees.

Can you smell their sweet scent?

Can you see their ball-shaped seeds?

Can you find a heart-shaped leaf that has fallen to the ground?

Mats and ropes were once made from the stringy inner bark of this tree and the wood is still used for carving and making musical instruments.



## Curious creation

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Head into the Gas Yard and look out for the big grey tree trunk in the corner. Move a little closer and see if you notice anything peculiar about this tree...How does it feel when you touch it? Turn your trail sheet upside down to reveal what it is!



*This isn't actually a tree! It's a clever concrete cover-up for a chimney! The chimney was used many years ago as part of the gas works which supplied energy to the house*

If you've enjoyed this challenge, why not try another Cliveden Autumn Trail? Our Creepy Crawlies Trail is available online or from our Info Centre from 18th October.

Every penny you spend or donate at Cliveden helps us keep these adventures going. Thank you for your support.

## Round Garden wonders

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How many different varieties of apple and pear can you find on the tree tags in the Round Garden? (Please be careful not to touch these delicate tags).

Which of these is not a type of apple?

- Crab
- Grandpa Smith
- Cox
- Braeburn



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## Sycamore seeds

Planes and helicopters buzz above Cliveden all year round, but in Autumn the Sycamore drops mini helicopters. Watch them twirl and swirl as they fall towards the ground. Can you catch one in mid-air?!

