

Welcome to Buzzards



Although one of the younger woodlands within the estate, Thongsleigh is the largest of Buzzards' woodlands. Glades have been created alongside the main paths in order to improve the structure of the woodland and encourage woodland wildflowers to grow.

Nestled within a wooded valley, the Buzzards Estate follows the path of the Little Dart river as it winds its way through picturesque Mid-Devon countryside. Gifted to the National Trust in the 1970s, the estate is comprised of four separate woodlands, each with its own character and diverse wildlife. Above the valley the majestic birds from which this estate gets its name can be seen soaring as they search the surrounding fields for prey. This sign is funded by the Forestry commission through the Woodland Grant scheme.

Nethercleave Copse

This small hazel coppice with its impressive oak and ash standards is perfect habitat for dormice.

Crosses

Mature beech, oak and hazel stand high on the slopes, whilst below, patches of water tolerant trees such as willow and alder line the river banks.

Huntland

This semi natural ancient woodland is host to a number of impressive mature trees, which in turn provide habitat for bats and woodpeckers. During Spring the ground flora is particularly spectacular when bluebells and snowdrops carpet the woodland floor.



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