

English elm (*Ulmus procera*)

How tall? Up to 30m
How fat? Up to 550cm
Insects supported 82
How rare? 10
Play factor 4

Sit in the shade of an elm tree on a summer's day and read a story.

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European larch (*Larix decidua*)

How tall? Up to 30m
How fat? Up to 600cm
Insects supported 17
How rare? 4
Play factor 0

Many European larches in the UK are now diseased. Playing with their cones and branches can spread infection.

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Field maple (*Acer campestre*)

How tall? Up to 14m
How fat? Up to 400cm
Insects supported 26
How rare? 3
Play factor 7

Collect the field maple's winged seeds in autumn and twirl them through the air like helicopters.

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Hazel (*Corylus avellana*)

How tall? Up to 15m
How fat? Up to 200cm
Insects supported 73
How rare? 1
Play factor 9

Hazel branches are very bendy, so they're great for making bows and arrows!

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Holly (*Ilex aquifolium*)

How tall? Up to 15m
How fat? Up to 200cm
Insects supported 7
How rare? 1
Play factor 6

Use holly to make decorations at Christmas (watch out for the spiky leaves!).

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Hornbeam (*Carpinus betulus*)

How tall? Up to 20m
How fat? Up to 550cm
Insects supported 28
How rare? 5
Play factor 4

Sit in the shade of a hornbeam tree on a summer's day and read a story.

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Horse chestnut (*Aesculus hippocastanum*)

How tall? Up to 28m
How fat? Up to 700cm
Insects supported 4
How rare? 1
Play factor 10

Collect the seeds in autumn to play conkers!

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Juniper (*Juniperus communis*)

How tall? Up to 10m
How fat? Up to 75cm
Insects supported 20
How rare? 10
Play factor 2

A small branch of juniper needles can be used as a paintbrush (watch out, they can be very prickly).

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London plane (*Platanus x hispanica*)

How tall? Up to 35m
How fat? Up to 900cm
Insects supported 1
How rare? 6
Play factor 5

London plane tree trunks are very distinctive – look for patterns and pictures in the dappled bark.

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