



## Commemorative Tree Planting

### Remembering your loved one

The Wittenham Clumps and the surrounding landscape hold special and personal significance for many people. In recognition of that, Earth Trust welcomes those who would like to dedicate a tree on our site to remember a lost loved one.

Earth Trust's Commemorative Tree Planting scheme is shaped to enable you to plant a lasting memorial to your loved one, in a beautiful setting, whilst helping us deliver our forestry and conservation objectives.

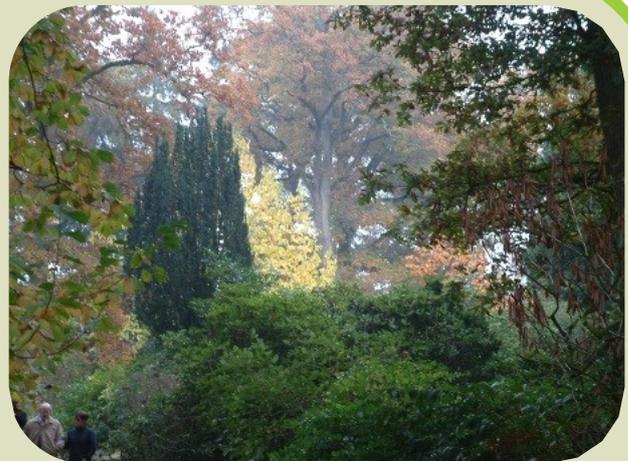
Accompanied by your family and friends, you will be able to come along at a pre-agreed date and time and plant the tree. Planting locations are available in Little Wittenham Wood: a beautiful and peaceful location for your loved one's memorial tree.

Treasured by many, **Little Wittenham Wood** has been designated a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) and a Special Area of Conservation (SAC), reflecting its international importance for wildlife.

Earth Trust acquired Little Wittenham Wood in 1982 and since then has managed it for the benefit of wildlife and people; creating a woodland haven for you to visit. The wood is home to a wealth of wildlife, including several species of bats. The open sunny glades within the wood provides the perfect habitats for butterflies, other invertebrates and many woodland birds. The ponds within the wood are home to one of Britain's largest known populations of the great crested newt as well as many species of insects including dragonflies.

Crisscrossed with good quality footpaths and woodland rides, Little Wittenham Wood is a haven of peace and serenity; the perfect place to plant a memorial tree to commemorate your loved one.

Earth Trust ask for a donation of **£200** to plant a memorial tree in Little Wittenham Wood. Tree species commonly planted in the understory of the wood include holly, hazel, gelder rose, hawthorn or wayfarer, bringing a wonderful splash of colour to this stunning part of the Earth Trust Farm



## **Terms and Conditions**

Earth Trust is a Registered Charity (1095057).

Earth Trust accepts all payments as donations and not payments for goods or services. The donation made to the Trust supports the installation of the tree and provides vital funds to help us look after the land and achieve our core aims.



- The specific planting site within Little Wittenham Wood will be decided by Earth Trust and dictated by conservation need.
- The species of the tree can be discussed to best suit the donor's wishes, but the ultimate decision will be dictated by conservation need in the chosen location.
- Some areas of our site are not open to the public; therefore trees planted in these locations will not be accessible to donors on a day to day basis. However, Earth Trust will ensure access to these sites is made available to donors and their families on a specific date each year.
- Earth Trust has a policy of keeping our green spaces as wild and natural as possible, and as such we do not allow dedication plaques on our sites, except where they are attached to bench dedications.
- The early winter is the best time of year to plant young saplings; therefore all commemorative trees will be planted at this time of year. Donors will be given a selection of dates and times from which to pick their planting date.
- All trees are sourced by Earth Trust to order;
- The agreed donation will be due in full 14 days prior to the agreed planting date.
- The dedication period will be for the natural life of the tree. During this time Earth Trust will maintain the land around the tree and carry out pruning, as required, in order to create the right conditions in which the tree can grow and flourish. However, whilst Earth Trust will take every reasonable action to protect and encourage the tree to thrive, the natural life of the tree will be influenced by factors outside of our control e.g. disease, impacts of pests, climate etc. Should the tree be damaged by such factors, Earth Trust will not be obligated to replace the tree.
- The tree remains the property of Earth Trust at all times.

For more information and to arrange the planting of a commemorative tree, please contact:

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