

# Plant a Native Shrub or Tree for Wildlife!

Many invertebrates have suffered huge declines since the 1950s, contributing to decreases in animals that eat them e.g. birds, bats, hedgehogs and toads.

Flying insects are food for bats & some birds. They start life as larvae, fed by many birds to their chicks.

Native invertebrates are adapted to eat native plant species.

Why not plant at least one UK grown native shrub or small tree in your garden this year?

Ask if it might be possible to plant a native shrub or small tree in your local allotment, school or sports ground or park.

Buy UK grown native shrubs & trees online, e.g. from the Woodland Trust. Plant Nov-March.

For more information about what to plant see [www.bromleyfriendsforum.org](http://www.bromleyfriendsforum.org) Look under Biodiversity useful documents 'Hedgeplants to improve biodiversity'.



Hawthorn can support 300+ insect species



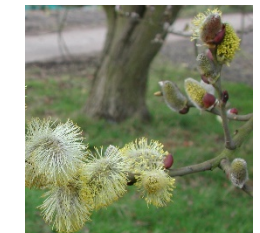
Cherry Plum for early pollinators



Beech: 64 insect species eat its leaves



Elder: nectar for insects, fruit for birds & mammals



Sallow: good for early pollinators & insect larvae



Hazel: leaves eaten by >70 insect species



Guelder Rose: flowers for pollinators e.g. hoverflies



Dogwood: flowers for pollinators, fruit for birds



Field Maple: good for pollinators & lichens



Silver Birch: leaves eaten by 230 insects

Bromley Biodiversity Partnership is a partnership of local groups, organisations and individuals with specific expertise committed to protecting, enhancing and celebrating biodiversity within the London Borough of Bromley.