



Draft Tree and Woodland Strategy

APPENDIX F: Woodland Planting Mixes

Woodland planting mixes

The following tables detail the tree and shrub species suitable for creating new native woodlands, based on [National Vegetation Classification](#) (NVC) woodland types that are found in East Lothian. They are identified as major and minor components.

These mixes are UK native species. Not all are native to East Lothian, but including these species may increase resilience to climate change and may help with climate migration.

Trees identified in **bold** are not native to East Lothian.

Native Trees		Woodland type and major (✓) or minor (x) species suitability					
Tree Species	Common Name	Lowland Mixed Deciduous Woodland (W8, W10)	Wet Woodland (W2, W6, W7)	Upland Mixed Deciduous Woodland (W9)	Upland Birch Wood (W4)	Upland Oak Wood (W11)	Juniper scrub (W19)
Alnus	Alder		✓	x	x		
Fraxinus*	Ash*	✓	✓	✓			
Populus tremula	Aspen	x		x		x	
Fagus sylvatica	Beech						
Betula pubescens	Downy Birch	x	✓	✓	✓	✓	x
Betula pendula	Silver Birch	✓				x	
Malus sylvestris	Crab Apple	x					
Ulmus glabra	Wych Elm	✓		x			
Acer campestre	Field Maple	✓					
Prunus avium	Cherry, Gean	x					
Prunus padus	Cherry, Bird		x	x			
Ilex aquifolium	Holly	x	x	x		x	
Carpinus betulus	Hornbeam	x					
Pinus sylvestris	Scots pine						
Quercus robur	Common Oak	✓	x	x			
Quercus petraea	Sessile Oak	✓	x	x		✓	
Sorbus aucuparia	Rowan	x		✓		x	x
Sorbus aria	Whitebeam	x					
Salix fragilis	Crack Willow		✓				
Salix caprea	Goat Willow	x	x		x		
Taxus baccata	Yew						

*Although Ash has been included in the table, given the current impact of Ash Dieback disease we do not recommend planting this at this time.

Native Shrub		Woodland type and major (✓) or minor (x) species suitability						
Shrub Species	Common Name	Lowland Mixed Deciduous Woodland (W8, W10)	Wet Woodland (W2, W6, W7)	Upland Mixed Deciduous Woodland (W9)	Upland Birch Wood (W4)	Upland Oak Wood (W11)	Juniper scrub (W19)	
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	Blackthorn	x	x					
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Broom	x						
<i>Frangula alnus</i>	Alder Buckthorn		✓					
<i>Rhamnus cathartica</i>	Purging Buckthorn	✓	✓					
<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	Dogwood	✓						
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Elder	x	✓	x				
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	Gorse	x						
<i>Viburnum opulus</i>	Guelder Rose	x	x					
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	✓	✓	x		x		
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Hazel	✓	✓	✓		x		
<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	Wild Privet	x						
<i>Euonymus europaeus</i>	Spindle	✓						
<i>Viburnum lantana</i>	Wayfaring Tree	✓						
<i>Juniperus communis</i>	Juniper					✓	✓	
<i>Salix triandra</i>	Almond Willow		x					
<i>Salix pentandra</i>	Bay Willow		✓		x			
<i>Salix aurita</i>	Eared Willow		x		x			
<i>Salix cinerea</i>	Grey Willow	x	✓	x	✓			
<i>Salix viminalis</i>	Ossier Willow		x					
<i>Salix purpurea</i>	Purple Willow		x		x			

		Hedgerow type and major (✓) or minor (x) species suitability	
Species	Common Name	Rural Hedge	Urban Hedge
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	Beech		✓
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	Blackthorn	x	
<i>Malus sylvestris</i>	Crab Apple	x	x
<i>Sambucus nigra</i>	Elder	x	x
<i>Ulmus glabra</i>	Wych Elm	x	x
<i>Acer campestre</i>	Field maple	x	x
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	Gorse	x	
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Hawthorn	✓	

Hedgerow type and major (✓) or minor (x) species suitability			
Carpinus betulus	Hornbeam		✓
Quercus robur	Common Oak	x	
Ligustrum vulgare	Wild Privet		✓
Rosa canina	Dog Rose	x	

Under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981 it is an offence in Scotland to plant trees, shrubs or plants into 'the wild' outside their native range. 'The wild' is defined as a semi-natural area in either rural or urban areas. There is a [list](#) of exemptions to this. Plants on this list may only be planted without a licence provided they are managed in accordance with the UK Forestry Standard.

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