



### Hunt for ancient trees

Look out for old, fat, gnarly trees

Ancient trees are among the oldest living things on the planet! They can be thousands of years old and are very important for wildlife. The UK is home to some very special ancient trees, here's how to spot one.



Short and fat with a wide trunk



Fungi



Lots of knobby, warty bits



Hollow



# Ancient tree spotter sheet

Trees grow old in different ways, so they don't all look the same. But if you find a tree with lots of these features it's probably ancient.



Dead branches poking up out of the canopy



Missing its top



Dead branches that have fallen to the ground



Gnarled bark with lots of nooks and crannies

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