

The Hampsthwaite Tree Trail

Tree ID	Description
A	This tree can be found opposite the front door of the Memorial Hall, It has a pretty blossom and can produce small red fruit
B	This is a small bush and grows along the front of the Memorial Hall. It's flowers are great for bees in spring and its berries are good for birds in winter. Every garden should have one.
C	Often found in hedges but sometimes as small trees. It is one of our commonest trees and is loved by birds and insects. It has white or less commonly red blossom and produces very small red fruit in clusters.
D	Found in front of the school this tree is well known along with Ivy at Christmas as a decoration because of its evergreen leaves. In Nidderdale many years ago it was used as fodder in winter because it's topmost leaves aren't sharp.
E	This tree is found in the small garden on the track to the Cricket Ground. A very common tree. Considered to be an introduced species it now grows everywhere. Despite folk saying it is not good for wildlife, it in fact attracts a huge number of aphids which in turn provide food for our garden birds, especially when they are feeding young. It produces double winged seeds which fly off to create a new tree.
F	The Butterfly Bush, but by what else is it called? It's growing alongside the school. It got this name for good reason ask any butterfly in late summer when it flowers.
G	A small shrub growing on your right just before you cross the bridge to the Feast field / Football ground. It has a mass of small purple berries in autumn which can be used to make wine, whilst it's flowers are equally delicious made into a wine.
H	Just over the bridge, this tree is well known by kids because you can use it's large seeds to play a game with.
I	One of traditional trees it produces seeds which single winged seeds in clusters. If it flowers before the oak then we shall have a splash. It is found to your right in the very corner of the field next to the stream.
J	Not really a tree but a climbing plant which uses trees, walls and fences for support. It isn't parasitic and produces green flowers and black berries which are loved by bees and hoverflies when the other plants have stopped flowers. Look for it half way along this side of the field.
K	Walk to the corner of the field next to the gate. The tree is growing in someone's garden but can easily be seen from the field. This magnificent tree is often one of the first to colonise new ground. It's coloured bark gives rise to its name, although your initial thoughts may be a little misleading.
L	This tree is grown here as part of someone's hedge. It's leaves seem to turn brown but stay on the tree all winter, as you can see here. It can also grow as a huge magnificent tree.
M	This is a smallish tree growing in the corner of the field roughly behind the doctor's house, it's a type of willow but we are looking for the name given to it because of the flowers it produces at this time of year.