



Identification of Sphagnum Mosses

Wilverley Bog, New Forest

Tutor: Sharon Pilkington

A 1 day course giving participants an introduction to field identification of Sphagnum mosses and other heath and mire bryophytes

Details

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Wilverley Bog shows a classic New Forest transition from dry heath through wet heath and flush into valley mire. It supports 19 species of Sphagnum including common species of mire and wet heath as well as several less frequent species that are classic indicators of base-rich flushes.

Emphasis will be on demonstrating characters that assist with identification in the field. If there is interest from the group, there may be opportunities to look at other heath and mire mosses and liverworts.

This workshop will be suitable for beginners and improvers alike.

What to bring

- ▶ Wellies (essential)
- ▶ Waterproof clothing
- ▶ Packed Lunch and drinks
- ▶ Notebook
- ▶ A hand lens (ideally x20, but x10 will be fine)
- ▶ Any ID guide you are happy working with

Please inform us of any medical requirements/conditions we should be aware of prior to the course

Any problems on the day please call Sharon Pilkington on 07801 627449 or Dominic Price on 07968 786390.

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Schedule

- 10.30 Arrival and Welcome
- 10.45 Sphagnum terminology and identification basics
- 11.00 Field identification (1)
- 13.00 Lunch
- 13.30 Field identification (2)
- 14.30 Practical exercise
- 16.00 Departure

Directions

We will meet at the Wootton Bridge car park at SZ250997 (nearest postcode BH25 5TZ)



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