

Summer Grass and Sedge Identification

Old Sarum, Salisbury

A one-day course giving participants;

- *confidence in identifying key grasses of neutral and unimproved calcareous grassland*
- *a knowledge of using grass indicator species*
- *a chance to learn memorable features allowing easy grass identification*

Details

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10am-3.45pm

Nearly every species of grass, rush and sedge has at least one key feature which can be used to pinpoint them to genus and species level. This course aims to teach people to spot and memorise these characters for the majority of common species and some of the more specialised species found on unimproved grasslands.

This course will focus on how to identify grasses in full flower, and include many of the later season emergents such as the *Agrostis* species. While still looking at vegetative features we will also focus on basic floristic structures, which can be essential at this time of year when many vegetative features have vanished.

The course will cover roughly 25 species of grass, including most of the commonly encountered species, as well as those associated with species-rich grassland.

What to bring

- ▶ Notebook/clipboard
- ▶ Handlens (there will be some to purchase on the day)
- ▶ Water, lunch and snacks, firm boots (steep banks) and outdoor clothing
- ▶ £2 for parking at Old Sarum

Old Sarum can be extremely exposed to the weather and there are no indoor facilities beyond the loos.

Any problems on the day please call Dominic Price on (07968) 786390

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

Feedback from previous courses

'I have increased my grass ID knowledge by more than 100%'

'Refreshed old knowledge and learned new grasses'

'Dominic was an excellent and very knowledgeable tutor. I thoroughly enjoyed the course.'

Schedule

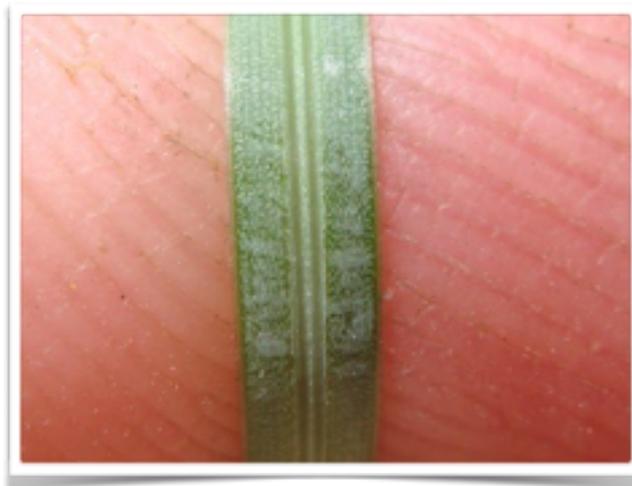
10.00 Arrival and Welcome
10.15 Start of Course
3.45 Finish.

Directions

Old Sarum is signed off the A345, 2 miles north of Salisbury. Meet in the main car park, up the steep drive (where there are also loos). There is a £1 charge for parking.

Address: Old Sarum, Castle Road, Salisbury, Wiltshire - SP1 3SD
Google maps - click [here](#)

Please ask if you would like a lift from/to the train station



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