

# Alderney - Wildlife by e-Bike

Naturetrek Tour Report

8th – 15th June 2025

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Eyed Hawk-moth



E-bikes by German hospital bunker



The Drinker moth



'Blonde' Hedgehog

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## Summary

At just one and a half miles wide and three and a half miles long, Alderney is a small island with a broad diversity of habitats. This was an eight-day e-bike tour, exploring the rich wildlife and history of Alderney, the most northerly of the Channel Islands. It comprised moth trapping, bird ringing and watching wildlife, with military history around every corner. We cycled about happily and stopped off for walks at places of interest. We also had an evening looking for the iconic Alderney 'Blonde Hedgehogs', and an afternoon boat trip to visit offshore seabird colonies.

### Day 1

**Sunday 8th June**

The clients arrived in two groups and transfers from the airport were by Michelle's Taxis. In the late afternoon, when everyone had arrived, there was a meet and greet on the hotel terrace. The key activities scheduled for the tour were discussed, and then we took a short walk to the Douglas Quay, just outside the hotel, for an introduction to the history of the harbour, and to observe the botany in the immediate area. Our evening meal was at the hotel.

### Day 2

**Monday 9th June**

Our first highlight of the morning came as we made our way into town; there were about twenty Bee Orchid flower spikes, carefully mown around on the lawn of a private garden; they were just coming into flower. We collected our e-bikes from Cycle and Surf at 9.00am. After adjusting the bikes to suit each rider, and receiving tuition on their operation from the experienced staff, ensuring everyone was familiar with their new steeds.

Our first stop was the Giffoine in the south of Alderney, a dense gorse heathland habitat. After parking our bikes, we made our way along a footpath, passing a herd of Oxford Sandy and Black pigs, out to the Giffoine headland. There were a few sightings of interest: a Common Emerald moth had settled on the vegetation and ten Emperor moth caterpillars were feeding on bramble leaves. As we walked along there was a rapid scratchy call, set back from the path on the top branch of a dead Elder bush: a male Dartford Warbler was singing. Along this section of the path we saw six individuals, either moving in the scrub or perching high and prominent, providing everyone with excellent views.

We continued to the Giffoine headland, and from this vantage point we were overlooking Les Etacs, which forms part of a Gannet breeding colony, with thousands of birds present. When we looked down on the cliff face, we could see Fulmars nesting on the ledges below us.

There is a large network of German gun positions from the occupation during the Second World War on the south cliffs, and most of these bunkers are open to explore. Swallows also utilize these spaces for nesting. Our leader, is the Warden of Alderney Bird Observatory, and as part of this role he holds a bird ringing permit, allowing him to approach nests and handle wild birds. While we were in this area, we took the opportunity for Swallow nest checks. One of the nests held chicks which were of a suitable age for ringing, a technique which was demonstrated to the clients.



Barrett's Marbled Coronet



Bloody-nosed Beetle

The next headland on the south cliffs overlooks Telegraph Bay, which was an excellent spot for our picnic lunch. Walking around the Telegraph headland, we saw an unseasonal Parasol mushroom, which was a surprise, and we enjoyed Great Broomrape, Common Centaury and Thrift, with views across to the other Channel Islands in the distance. From the headland we rejoined the main track and arrived at the gates to the German SS concentration camp, Lager Sylt. Here we discussed the role of this camp during the occupation. This was a sombre time to pay our respects to the individuals taken there during the occupation.

We continued to cycle along the track around the airfield, arriving back at the hotel late in the afternoon. Our evening meal was at a French restaurant, Le Pesked.

## Day 3

## Tuesday 10th June

We made an early start with a ride to inspect the catch in the moth trap before breakfast. 37 species were recorded; the highlights were Peach Blossom and Cream-spot Tiger, but the clear favorite with the clients was a Drinker moth. After breakfast we rode out of town to visit the German hospital bunker, which was opened last year following its restoration, complete with artifacts and interpretation boards. From here we went to Kiln Farm, home to the cows that produce the rich golden butter, milk and yogurt enjoyed at the hotel. The gates to labour camp Borkum stand at the entrance of Kiln Farm. Most of the German structures on this site were made from wood, and were cleared following the liberation of Alderney, but a couple of the personnel bunkers still remain. The only breeding colony of House Martins on the island occurs here on the farmhouse; there were twelve birds flying around.

We continued to the bottom of Longis Road, where we entered the German-built tunnel under Essex Hill; the purpose of this tunnel was explained while we were in the chambers underground.

We stopped for lunch in Longis Baye, next to The Nunnery, a Roman signal fort. There was free time to explore The Nunnery and to visit the Iron age settlement nearby, which was associated with pottery production. The Alderney History Society has recently been excavating here, and the footprint of the building was exposed.

There is never a wrong time to take advantage of the availability of cake; it just so happened that the garden where we were running the moth trap was open for public viewing today. 'Blooming Alderney' is an annual open garden event, which coincided with the week of our tour. This sheltered garden with plenty of flowers was busy with bees and butterflies; we saw Wool Carder, Pantaloon and Green-eyed Flower Bees, plus Small Copper, Peacock and Wall Brown butterflies to name a few. And there were delicious home-made cakes, too!

We took the long scenic route to return, riding around the northern end of Alderney, then back to the hotel, where we had our evening meal.

## Day 4

## Wednesday 11th June

We had a cycle out to the moth trap before breakfast, recording 42 species, with the highlight being Barrett's Marbled Coronet. After breakfast we cycled to the most northerly point of Alderney, stopping at the north end of Braye Baye to view Sea Saltwort growing in the shingle there. At the most northerly point of Alderney is Château L'Etoc, a Victorian fort. We cycled on, passing Fort Corblets and looping around into Corblets quarry, where it was sheltered and sunny. Bluetail and Common Bluet damselflies were on the sedges at the edge of the pond in the quarry, Black-tailed Skimmers were seen basking on the rocks, and a Red-veined Darter settled on the ground briefly, then took flight and disappeared out of sight. The small flowers of Fairy Flax and Hairy Bird's-foot Trefoil were in abundance, and Striped Flower Beetles were feeding on the Common Mouse-ear Hawkweed flowers.

We made a quick stop at Mannez quarry to see Large-flowered Evening-primrose and Yellow Bartsia, and then moved on to Longis Baye for lunch.

It was then a short ride to Longis Nature Reserve, which was the starting point for our circular walk for the afternoon. We made our way to the Naturetrek bird hide on Longis pond. As we approached the hide, there was a distinct and repetitive flight call, coming from a high-flying bird. It took a while to focus in on the bird, but as it changed positions and flew lower, everyone was able to see the male Zitting Cisticola, remaining on the wing and covering a large area with his territorial display.

After we had observed Reed Warblers and Little Grebe from the hide, the walk continued, following the footpath to the Odeon, a German range-finding station. The Wild Privet along the path was in bloom, and the scent filled the air, attracting a number of insects, notably a Hummingbird Hawk-moth which was visiting flowers and even stopping to rest.

After we had explored the Odeon, the walk continued out to the coast, just as a thick mist rolled in off the sea. Joining the coast path overlooking Houmet Herbe, we were looking for Rock Sea-lavender and Alderney Sea-lavender growing on the shoreline. The Alderney Sea-lavender was just coming into flower; we also found Sea Milkwort, which grows here among the sedges on the rocks.



We completed the circuit, passing Fort Razz as we arrived back at Longis reserve. After the daily log, our evening meal was at The Georgian House in St Anne.



Alderney Sea-lavender



Fairy Flax

## Day 5

## Thursday 12th June

There were heavy downpours of rain during the morning. Although a few of the clients elected to brave the weather and go for a walk, there is a cinema in the hotel, and this was a good opportunity to watch a documentary about the occupation of Alderney, with interviews from people who had lived through the evacuation, and footage of the homecoming to Alderney.

After lunch, the rain had cleared, so we cycled to Fort Tourgis, the starting point for our afternoon walk to Fort Clonque. After we had parked the bikes, a pheromone lure was set on a bank of Thrift at the side of the track, and four Thrift Clearwing moths were attracted. Further along this track was a small, old quarry, a wet marsh site, and the only place on Alderney to find Ragged Robin; this year it was quite prolific, with plenty of flowers. Plenty of insects were seen on the umbellifer flowers as we walked to Fort Clonque, the most abundant being Ornate Digger Wasp, Broad Centurion soldier fly and Marmalade Hoverfly.

As we approached Fort Tourgis on our return, we detoured to a site known as Roc à L'Epine, an ancient burial chamber dating from 4,000BCE, the oldest megalithic monument on Alderney. We returned through Fort Torgis, exploring the the grounds and buildings within.

We returned to the hotel and were collected by Michelle's Taxis to be taken to our evening meal at Sal's Pizzeria on Saye Bay Campsite. This was all a prelude to another Alderney highlight. It was a lovely sunny evening and we were joined by local hedgehog expert Suzy Weir; as the light fell away the search for the Blonde Hedgehog commenced! Eight brown and eight blonde Hedgehogs were found.

## Day 6

## Friday 13th June

Given a very promising forecast with favorable winds for insect dispersal, we had to have the moth trap on overnight. It did not disappoint, and over 65 species of moths had been retained in the moth trap. Star species included Starry Pearl, Small Elephant Hawk-moth, Eyed Hawk-moth, Flame, Radford's Flame Shoulder and Lilac Beauty.

After breakfast we set off for Barrackmaster Lane. This is a partially-wooded footpath running through a valley, with grassland on one side and mature trees and gardens on the other. A homeowner hosting an open garden invited us to have a look around their garden. We found Early Bumblebee and Speckled Wood butterflies here. Returning along the lane we passed an area of Sycamores with the sun on them, and the high pitched 'seeping' of a Firecrest call could be heard. After a little encouragement, a male Firecrest came down from the canopy and flicked around the branches just above us.

We then visited the Alderney Bird Observatory base, situated on the top of Essex Hill, and discussed the role of Bird Observatories and bird ringing and migration monitoring on Alderney while we were having lunch.

We did a ride to the other end of the island after lunch, to visit the restored watermill in the Bonne Terre Valley, one of the oldest structures on Alderney. Our evening meal was in The Quarterdeck, overlooking the old harbour.

## Day 7

## Saturday 14th June

We had a visit to the museum after breakfast, which really helped bring the history of Alderney together after visiting the key areas of interest during the tour. Then it was time to return the bikes to Cycle and Surf, giving us some free time to wander around St Anne's before lunch at Jack's Alderney.

Setting off from the harbour at 2.00pm, we went south to Burhou where there is a Puffin colony. There were over 200 Puffin rafting on the calm water around Burhou, and some flying quite close to the boat. We continued towards Les Etacs to visit the Gannet colony. The islet is packed with nesting birds during June, often passing close by as they arrive and depart from the colony. We also saw Fulmars as we approached Les Etacs, and Guillemot and Razorbill around Coque Lihou. The weather allowed for this to be a round-island trip, taking in the coastal fortifications and other landmarks from the sea.

After the daily log, our evening meal was at the hotel.

## Day 8

## Sunday 15th June

We had relaxed start to the morning, to allow time for packing and preparing for travel. Mid-morning, we walked out to Braye Common, which is left to grow through the spring. Purple Broomrape and Pyramidal Orchids were dotted through the grass, and a good diversity of insects was seen visiting the umbellifers on the embankment by the sea. Our walk took us to Fort Albert, where Ivy Broomrape grew along the side of the track. There were excellent views from the top of Albert, overlooking the harbour to the south and the campsite and Château L'Etoc to the north.

Lunch was at The Moorings, bringing the tour to a close, and the clients departed at 2.00pm. It had been a fantastic week exploring the island of Alderney.

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## Species lists

Birds (H = Heard only)

I=Introduced		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Mallard	<i>Anas platyrhynchos</i>	1		3	12	2	✓		✓
Common Pheasant - I	<i>Phasianus colchicus</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Swift	<i>Apus apus</i>			1	2		3		
Feral Rock Dove - I	<i>Columba livia 'domestica'</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Stock Dove	<i>Columba oenas</i>			2	2		2		
Common Wood Pigeon	<i>Columba palumbus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Moorhen	<i>Gallinula chloropus</i>				1	1			
Eurasian Coot	<i>Fulica atra</i>				2				
Little Grebe	<i>Tachybaptus ruficollis</i>				2				
Eurasian Oystercatcher	<i>Haematopus ostralegus</i>	14	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Ringed Plover	<i>Charadrius hiaticula</i>				✓				
Black-headed Gull	<i>Chroicocephalus ridibundus</i>				2				4
European Herring Gull	<i>Larus argentatus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus marinus</i>		6	5	2	3	2	✓	✓
Lesser Black-backed Gull	<i>Larus fuscus</i>	✓	✓		2	✓	✓	✓	✓
Atlantic Puffin	<i>Fratercula arctica</i>							232	
Razorbill	<i>Alca torda</i>		10					25	
Common Guillemot	<i>Uria aalge</i>		10					82	
Northern Fulmar	<i>Fulmarus glacialis</i>		27					12	
Northern Gannet	<i>Morus bassanus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Great Cormorant	<i>Phalacrocorax carbo</i>	1		2	1			1	
European Shag	<i>Gulosus aristotelis</i>		6		2	4	2	✓	2
Little Egret	<i>Egretta garzetta</i>			1	2			1	
Grey Heron	<i>Ardea cinerea</i>			2	1		2		
Common Buzzard	<i>Buteo buteo</i>		2	1	1		1		1
Common Kestrel	<i>Falco tinnunculus</i>		1	1	2	1	1		
Peregrine Falcon	<i>Falco peregrinus</i>						2	1	
Western Jackdaw	<i>Coloeus monedula</i>		8	10					
Carion Crow	<i>Corvus corone</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Northern Raven	<i>Corvus corax</i>		1						
Great Tit	<i>Parus major</i>				4		2		
Eurasian Skylark	<i>Alauda arvensis</i>		2						
Barn Swallow	<i>Hirundo rustica</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western House Martin	<i>Delichon urbicum</i>			12					
Cetti's Warbler	<i>Cettia cetti</i>				1				
Common Chiffchaff	<i>Phylloscopus collybita</i>		✓	10	8	✓	✓	✓	✓
Common Reed Warbler	<i>Acrocephalus scirpaceus</i>				5		1		
Zitting Cisticola	<i>Cisticola juncidis</i>				1				
Eurasian Blackcap	<i>Sylvia atricapilla</i>		1	1	1		4	2	
Common Whitethroat	<i>Curruca communis</i>		10	✓	✓	6	✓		2
Dartford Warbler	<i>Curruca undata</i>		6						
Common Firecrest	<i>Regulus ignicapilla</i>						4		
Eurasian Wren	<i>Troglodytes troglodytes</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Song Thrush	<i>Turdus philomelos</i>			1					
Common Blackbird	<i>Turdus merula</i>		✓	✓	✓	2	10	✓	2
European Robin	<i>Erithacus rubecula</i>			2			2		
European Stonechat	<i>Saxicola rubicola</i>		8	✓	✓	6	2		5
House Sparrow	<i>Passer domesticus</i>	4		3	3	3			3
Dunnock	<i>Prunella modularis</i>		✓	✓	10	✓	✓		✓
White Wagtail	<i>Motacilla alba</i>	2	2	3	2	1	1		2



I=Introduced		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Meadow Pipit	<i>Anthus pratensis</i>		12	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
European Rock Pipit	<i>Anthus petrosus</i>	2	2	2	2	2	5		2
Eurasian Chaffinch	<i>Fringilla coelebs</i>			✓	2		✓		
Common Linnet	<i>Linaria cannabina</i>		8	✓	2	6	8		2
European Goldfinch	<i>Carduelis carduelis</i>		1						

## Mammals

		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
European Rabbit	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Western Hedgehog	<i>Erinaceus europaeus</i>					16			
Common Pipistrelle	<i>Pipistrellus pipistrellus</i>					4			
Noctule Bat	<i>Nyctalus noctula</i>					1			

## Butterflies

		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Large White	<i>Pieris brassicae</i>					1			
Small White	<i>Pieris rapae</i>			1	1				
Small Copper	<i>Lycaena phlaeas</i>			1	2				
Holly Blue	<i>Celastrina argiolus</i>			2	6				
Common Blue	<i>Polyommatus icarus</i>				4	6			4
Painted Lady	<i>Vanessa cardui</i>		1		1	4	1		1
Red Admiral	<i>Vanessa atalanta</i>			5	2	3	5		
Peacock Butterfly	<i>Aglais io</i>			1		2	2		1
Glanville Fritillary	<i>Melitaea cinxia</i>		1		10	4			
Small Heath	<i>Coenonympha pamphilus</i>		5		10				
Speckled Wood	<i>Pararge aegeria</i>			2	2		8		
Wall Brown	<i>Lasiommata megera</i>		2	4	2				
Meadow Brown	<i>Maniola jurtina</i>		2	2	8	6	2		

## Moths

		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Echium Stilt	<i>Dialectica scariella</i>						2		
Diamondback Moth	<i>Plutella xylostella</i>						12		
Large Fruit-tree Tortrix	<i>Archips podana</i>						1		
Light Brown Apple Moth	<i>Epiphyas postvittana</i>			1					
Orange Pine Tortrix	<i>Lozotaeniodes formosana</i>						1		
Ox-tongue Conch	<i>Neocoehylis molliculana</i>						1		
Black-headed Conch	<i>Cochylis antricapitana</i>			2			1		
Plum Tortrix	<i>Hedya pruniana</i>			2	1		1		
Mottled White Tortrix	<i>Gypsonoma sociana</i>						1		
Rose Shoot Moth	<i>Notocelia rosaecolana</i>						1		
Thrift Clearwing	<i>Pyropteron muscaeformis</i>					4			
Five-spot Burnet	<i>Zygaena trifolii</i>		4				1		1
Blackthorn Knot-horn	<i>Acrobasis suavella</i>				1				
Twin-barred Knot-horn	<i>Homeosoma sinuella</i>				1		5		
Ermine Knot-horn	<i>Phycitodes binaevella</i>				2		5		
Straw-barred Pearl	<i>Pyrausta despicata</i>						1		

Common name	Scientific name	June 2025							
		8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Rusty Dot Pearl	<i>Udea ferrugalis</i>			2	2		3		
Long-legged China-mark	<i>Dolicharthria punctalis</i>			1					
Starry Pearl	<i>Cynaeda dentalis</i>						1		
Narrow-winged Grey	<i>Eudonia Angustea</i>						4		
Garden Grass Veneer	<i>Chrysoteuchia culmella</i>			1		2			
Chinese Character	<i>Cilix glaucata</i>						2		
Peach Blossom	<i>Thyatira batis</i>			1					
Lackey	<i>Malacosoma neustria</i>		I	12	29		60		
The Drinker	<i>Euthrix potatoria</i>		L	32	22		15		L
Lappet	<i>Gastropacha quercifolia</i>						4		
Emperor Moth	<i>Saturnia pavonia</i>		10L						
Eyed Hawkmoth	<i>Smerinthus ocellata</i>						1		
Poplar Hawkmoth	<i>Laothoe populi</i>			1			1		
Hummingbird Hawkmoth	<i>Macroglossum stellatarum</i>				1		3	1	
Small Elephant	<i>Deilephila porcellus</i>			4			2		
Dwarf Cream Wave	<i>Idaea fuscovenosa</i>						1		
Treble-brown Spot	<i>Idaea trigeminata</i>						1		
Portland Wave	<i>Idaea degeneraria</i>				1		1		
Dark-barred Twin-spot Carpet	<i>Xanthorhoe ferrugata</i>						1		
Galium Carpet	<i>Epirrhoe galiata</i>				1		1		
Barred Yellow	<i>Cidaria fulvata</i>				1				
Purple Bar	<i>Cosmorhoe ocellata</i>						1		
Common Marbled Carpet	<i>Dysstroma truncata</i>				1				
Green Carpet	<i>Colostygia pectinataria</i>			1					
Lime-spec Pug	<i>Eupithecia centaureata</i>			1					
Small Seraphim	<i>Pterapherapteryx sexalata</i>				1				
Clouded Border	<i>Lomaspilis marginata</i>				2		4		
Brown Silver-line	<i>Petrophora chlorosata</i>			1	2		1		
Brimstone	<i>Opisthograptis luteolata</i>			2	4		5		
Lilac Beauty	<i>Apeira syringaria</i>						1		
Willow Beauty	<i>Peribatodes rhomboidaria</i>			5	8		6		
Clouded Silver	<i>Lomographa temerata</i>			1	2				
Light Emerald	<i>Campaea margaritaria</i>				1				
Straw Belle	<i>Aspitates ochrearia</i>		1						
Common Emerald	<i>Hemitea aestivaria</i>		1		2				
Swallow Prominent	<i>Pheosia tremula</i>			1					
White Satin	<i>Leucoma salicis</i>				2		1		
Brown-tailed Moth	<i>Euproctis chrysorrhoea</i>			1					
Pale Tussock	<i>Calliteara pudibunda</i>			1	1				
Buff Ermine	<i>Spilosoma lutea</i>			5	12		7		
White Ermine	<i>Spilosoma lubricipeda</i>			1	4		1		
Cream-spot Tiger	<i>Arctia villica</i>			2			2		
Cinnabar Moth	<i>Tyria jacobaeae</i>			2	3		1		
Four-spot Footman	<i>Lithosia quadra</i>						7		
Red-neck Footman	<i>Atolmis rubricollis</i>						1		
Buff Footman	<i>Eilema depressa</i>				1				
Orange Footman	<i>Eilema sororcula</i>			1	4		7		
Pinion-streaked Snout	<i>Schrankia costaestrigalis</i>			1	3				
Mother Shipton	<i>Euclidia mi</i>				1	1			
Silver Y	<i>Autographa gamma</i>					4	5		
Marbled White-spot	<i>Deltote pygarga</i>				3		1		
Knot Grass	<i>Acronicta rumicis</i>			1					
Poplar Grey	<i>Subacronicta megacephala</i>						4		

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Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Bordered Straw	<i>Heliothis peltigera</i>						1		
Rosy Marbled	<i>Elaphria venustula</i>				2		3		
Mottled Rustic	<i>Caradrina morpheus</i>			2	1		1		
Vine's Rustic	<i>Hoplodrina ambigua</i>			3	2				
Brown Rustic	<i>Rusina ferruginea</i>			2	7		2		
Small Angle Shades	<i>Euplexia lucipara</i>				1				
Dark Arches	<i>Apamea monoglypha</i>						1		
Marbled Minor	<i>Oligia strigilis</i>			7	15		10		
Middle-barred Minor	<i>Oligia fasciuncula</i>						3		
Grey Arches	<i>Polia nebulosa</i>			4	2		3		
Bright-line Brown-eye	<i>Lacanobia oleracea</i>				1		1		
The Shears	<i>Hada plebeja</i>						1		
Barrett's Marbled Coronet	<i>Conisania andalusica</i>				1		1		
Broad-barred White	<i>Hecatera bicolorata</i>				1				
The Lychnis	<i>Hadena bicruris</i>						1		
Common Wainscot	<i>Mythimna pallens</i>				1				
Smoky Wainscot	<i>Mythimna impura</i>				4		2		
L-album Wainscot	<i>Mythimna l-album</i>			2	2				
Heart and Dart	<i>Agrotis exclamationis</i>			2	1		3		
Heart and Club	<i>Agrotis clavis</i>			2	2		2		
Flame	<i>Axylia putris</i>						1		
Flame Shoulder	<i>Ochropleura plecta</i>						1		
Radford's Flame Shoulder	<i>Ochropleura leucogaster</i>						1		
Ingrailed Clay	<i>Diarsia mendica</i>			1			3		
Large Yellow Underwing	<i>Noctua pronuba</i>			2	2		1		
Setaceous Hebrew Character	<i>Xestia c-nigrum</i>						1		
Kent Black-arches	<i>Meganola albula</i>						1		

## Damselflies & dragonflies

		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
Common Bluetail	<i>Ischnura elegans</i>				6				
Common Bluet	<i>Enallagma cyathigerum</i>				4				
Blue Emperor	<i>Anax imperator</i>			1	4		2		
Black-tailed Skimmer	<i>Orthetrum cancellatum</i>			1	2				1
Red-veined Darter	<i>Sympetrum fonscolombii</i>				1				
Common Darter	<i>Sympetrum striolatum</i>			2					

## Other insects

		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Bush-cricket and grasshoppers</b>									
Great Green Bush-cricket	<i>Tettigonia viridissima</i>		✓		✓	2			
Field Grasshopper	<i>Chorthippus brunneus</i>		✓		✓		✓		
<b>Shieldbugs</b>									
Hawthorn Shieldbug	<i>Acanthosoma haemorrhoidale</i>			1					
Gorse Shieldbug	<i>Piezodorus lituratus</i>		1			1			
Hairy Shieldbug	<i>Dolycoris baccarum</i>		1			2			
Striped Shieldbug	<i>Graphosoma italicum</i>						1		
Dock Bug	<i>Coreus marginatus</i>					5			

		June 2025							
Common name	Scientific name	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15
<b>Bees</b>									
Red-tailed Bumblebee	<i>Bombus lapidarius</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
White-tailed Bumblebee	<i>Bombus lucorum</i>	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Early Bumblebee	<i>Bombus pratorum</i>						4		
Moss Carder Bee	<i>Bombus muscorum</i>		2		2	2	✓		
Wool Carder Bee	<i>Anthidium manicatum</i>			1	1				
Gold-fringed Mason Bee	<i>Osmia aurulenta</i>		1	2					
Green-eyed Flower Bee	<i>Anthophora bimaculata</i>			1	2				
Pantaloen Bee	<i>Dasypoda hirtipes</i>			15					
Black Mining Bee	<i>Andrena pilipes</i>								1
Cliff Mining Bee	<i>Andrena thoracica</i>			1					
<b>Wasps</b>									
Stocky Mason Wasp	<i>Ancistrocerus oviventris</i>		1						
Ornate-tailed Digger Wasp	<i>Cerceris rybyensis</i>		1	6		✓			
Large Spurred Digger Wasp	<i>Nysson spinosus</i>					2			
Sand Wasp	<i>Gorytes quinquecinctus</i>						1		
a wasp	<i>Ichneumon sarcitorius</i>					1			
<b>Beetles</b>									
Thick-legged Flower Beetle	<i>Oedemera nobilis</i>		✓	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Seven-spot Ladybird	<i>Coccinella septempunctata</i>			10					
Striped Flower Beetle	<i>Cryptocephalus vittatus</i>			1			2		
Bloody-nose Beetle	<i>Timarcha tenebricosa</i>		1						
Burying Beetle	<i>Silpha tristis</i>						1		
Common Sexton Beetle	<i>Nicrophorus vespillo</i>						1		
Click Beetle	<i>Agrypnus murinus</i>		✓						
<b>Flies</b>									
Marmalade Hoverfly	<i>Episyrphus balteatus</i>		10	10	12	✓			✓
Two-banded Spearhorn	<i>Chrysotoxum bicinctum</i>		1	1					
a spearhorn	<i>Chrysotoxum vernale</i>				1	2			
Pied Hoverfly	<i>Scaeva pyrastris</i>				1				
Migrant Hoverfly	<i>Eupeodes corollae</i>						2	6	2
Broad Centurian	<i>Chloromyia formosa</i>							✓	✓
Long Hoverfly	<i>Sphaerophoria scripta</i>							2	2
Bumblebee Hoverfly	<i>Volucella bombylans</i>							1	2
Bramble Sawfly	<i>Arge cyanocrocea</i>		2						
Rose Sawfly	<i>Arge ochropus</i>				10				
Ferruginous Bee-grabber	<i>Sicus ferrugineus</i>						2		
a parasite fly	<i>Ectophasia crassipennis</i>						5		2
Jet-black Parasite Fly	<i>Zophomyia temula</i>		✓		✓	✓	2		
<b>True bugs</b>									
Meadow Plant Bug	<i>Leptopterna dolabrata</i>		1						
a seed bug	<i>Horvathiolus superbus</i>	8							

## Fungi

Common name	Scientific name
Parasol Mushroom	<i>Macrolepiota procera</i>

## Lichens

Common name	Scientific name
Reindeer Lichen	<i>Cladonia portentosa</i>

## Plants

Scientific name	Common name
<b>Equisetaceae</b>	<b>Horse-tail Family</b>
<i>Equisetum telmateia</i>	Horse-tail
<b>Dennstaedtiaceae</b>	<b>Bracken Family</b>
<i>Pteridium aquilinum</i>	Common Bracken
<b>Aspleniaceae</b>	<b>Spleenwort Family</b>
<i>Asplenium trichomanes</i>	Maidenhair Spleenwort
<i>Asplenium ruta-muraria</i>	Wall-rue
<i>Asplenium scolopendrium</i>	Common Hart's-tongue
<b>Dryopteridaceae</b>	<b>Buckler Fern Family</b>
<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i>	Common Male Fern
<b>Polypodiaceae</b>	<b>Polypody Family</b>
<i>Polypodium vulgare</i>	Common Polypody
<b>Pinaceae</b>	<b>Pine Family</b>
<i>Pinus radiata</i>	Monterey Pine
<i>Pinus nigra subsp. laricio</i>	Corsican Pine
<b>Araceae</b>	<b>Arum Family</b>
<i>Arum maculatum</i>	Common Lords-and-ladies
<b>Orchidaceae</b>	<b>Orchid Family</b>
<i>Ophrys apifera</i>	Bee Orchid
<i>Anacamptis pyramidalis</i>	Pyramidal Orchid
<b>Iridaceae</b>	<b>Iris Family</b>
<i>Romulea columnae</i>	Sand Crocus
<i>Iris foetidissima</i>	Stinking Iris
<i>Gladiolus communis</i>	Eastern Wild Gladioli
<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Yellow Flag
<b>Adoxaceae</b>	<b>Elder Family</b>
<i>Sambucus sp.</i>	Elderflower
<b>Poaceae</b>	<b>Grass Family</b>
<i>Calamagrostis arenaria</i>	European Marram
<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Common Reed
<i>Catapodium maritimum</i>	Sea-fern Grass
<i>Hordeum murinum</i>	Wall Barley
<i>Bromus hordeaceus</i>	Soft Brome
<i>Bromus hordeaceus subsp. thominei</i>	Sand Soft-brome
<i>Carex extensa</i>	Long-bracted Sedge
<i>Carex arenaria</i>	Sand Sedge
<i>Carex flacca</i>	Glaucous Sedge
<i>Lagurus ovatus</i>	Hare's-tail Grass
<i>Holcus lanatus</i>	Yorkshire Fog
<i>Dactylis glomerata</i>	Cock's foot Grass
<b>Violaceae</b>	<b>Violet Family</b>
<i>Viola riviniana</i>	Dog Violet
<b>Papaveraceae</b>	<b>Poppy Family</b>
<i>Glaucium flavum</i>	Yellow Horned-poppy
<i>Fumaria muralis</i>	Common Ramping-fumitory
<i>Fumaria capreolata</i>	White Ramping-fumitory
<b>Ranunculaceae</b>	<b>Buttercup Family</b>
<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	Traveller's-joy
<i>Ranunculus repens</i>	Creeping Buttercup
<b>Crassulaceae</b>	<b>Stonecrop Family</b>
<i>Umbilicus rupestris</i>	Common Navelwort
<i>Sedum album</i>	White Stonecrop
<i>Sedum anglicum</i>	English Stonecrop



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<i>Sedum acre</i>	Biting Stonecrop
<b>Fabaceae</b>	<b>Pea Family</b>
<i>Cytisus scoparius</i> subsp. <i>maritimus</i>	Prostrate Broom
<i>Ulex europaeus</i>	Western Gorse
<i>Ulex gallii</i>	Common Gorse
<i>Lotus subbiflorus</i>	Hairy Bird's-foot Trefoil
<i>Lotus corniculatus</i>	Common Bird's-foot-trefoil
<i>Lotus pedunculatus</i>	Greater Bird's-foot-trefoil
<i>Trifolium campestre</i>	Hop Trefoil
<i>Anthyllis vulneraria</i>	Kidney Vetch
<i>Medicago lupulina</i>	Black Medick
<i>Medicago arabica</i>	Spotted Medick
<i>Vicia hirsuta</i>	Hairy Tare
<i>Vicia sativa</i>	Common Vetch
<i>Ononis spinosa</i> subsp. <i>procurrens</i>	Common Restharrow
<i>Melilotus officinalis</i>	Ribbed Melilot
<i>Medicago sativa</i>	Common Lucerne
<i>Trifolium repens</i>	White Clover
<i>Trifolium pratense</i>	Red Clover
<i>Onobrychis viciifolia</i>	Sainfoin
<b>Polygalaceae</b>	<b>Milkwort Family</b>
<i>Polygala vulgaris</i>	Common Milkwort
<b>Rosaceae</b>	<b>Rose Family</b>
<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	Blackthorn
<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Common Hawthorn
<i>Rubus fruticosus</i> agg.	Bramble
<i>Potentilla erecta</i>	Common Tormentil
<i>Potentilla reptans</i>	Creeping Cinquefoil
<i>Rosa canina</i> agg.	Dog Rose
<i>Geum urbanum</i>	Wood Avens
<b>Urticaceae</b>	<b>Nettle Family</b>
<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Common Nettle
<i>Parietaria judaica</i>	Pellitory-of-the-wall
<b>Betulaceae</b>	<b>Hazel Family</b>
<i>Corylus avellana</i>	Common Hazel
<b>Fagaceae</b>	<b>Beech Family</b>
<i>Castanea sativa</i>	Sweet Chestnut
<b>Oxalidaceae</b>	<b>Wood-sorrel Family</b>
<i>Oxalis articulata</i>	Common Pink Sorrel
<b>Salicaceae</b>	<b>Willow Family</b>
<i>Populus alba</i>	White Poplar
<i>Salix caprea</i>	Goat Willow
<b>Euphorbiaceae</b>	<b>Spurge Family</b>
<i>Euphorbia peplus</i>	Petty Spurge
<i>Euphorbia portlandica</i>	Portland Spurge
<i>Euphorbia paralias</i>	Sea Spurge
<b>Linaceae</b>	<b>Flax Family</b>
<i>Linum catharticum</i>	Fairy Flax
<b>Geraniaceae</b>	<b>Crane's-bill Family</b>
<i>Geranium molle</i>	Dove's-foot Crane's-bill
<i>Geranium dissectum</i>	Cut-leaved Crane's-bill
<i>Geranium pyrenaicum</i>	Hedge Crane's-bill
<i>Geranium robertianum</i>	Herb Robert
<i>Erodium cicutarium</i>	Common Stork's-bill
<i>Silene flos-cuculi</i>	Ragged Robin

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<b>Onagraceae</b>	<b>Willowherb Family</b>
<i>Epilobium angustifolium</i>	Rosebay Willowherb
<i>Epilobium ciliatum</i>	Slender Willowherb
<i>Oenothera glazioviana</i>	Large-flowered Evening-primrose
<b>Sapindaceae</b>	<b>Soapberry Family</b>
<i>Aesculus hippocastanum</i>	Common Horse-chestnut
<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Common Sycamore
<b>Malvaceae</b>	<b>Mallow Family</b>
<i>Malva arborea</i>	Tree Mallow
<b>Brassicaceae</b>	<b>Cabbage Family</b>
<i>Matthiola incana</i>	Hoary Stock
<i>Lobularia maritima</i>	Sweet Alison
<i>Cakile maritima</i>	Sea Rocket
<i>Diploxis muralis</i>	Annual Wall Rocket
<i>Crambe maritima</i>	Common Sea Kale
<i>Raphanus raphanistrum</i> subsp. <i>landra</i>	Sea Radish
<i>Cochlearia danica</i>	Danish Scurvygrass
<i>Alliaria petiolata</i>	Garlic Mustard
<i>Sinapis arvensis</i>	Field Mustard
<i>Capsella bursa-pastoris</i>	Shepherd's purse
<b>Plumbaginaceae</b>	<b>Leadwort Family</b>
<i>Limonium binervosum</i>	Rock Sea-lavender
<i>Limonium normannicum</i>	Alderney Sea-lavender
<i>Armeria maritima</i>	Common Thrift
<b>Polygonaceae</b>	<b>Knotgrass Family</b>
<i>Persicaria maculosa</i>	Redshank
<i>Persicaria amphibia</i>	Amphibious Bistort
<i>Rumex acetosella</i>	Sheep Sorrel
<b>Caryophyllaceae</b>	<b>Campion Family</b>
<i>Spergularia rupicola</i>	Rock Sea-spurrey
<i>Honckenia peploides</i>	Sea Sandwort
<i>Stellaria graminea</i>	Lesser Stitchwort
<i>Cerastium fontanum</i>	Common Mouse-ear
<i>Silene uniflora</i>	Sea Campion
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	White Campion
<i>Silene dioica</i>	Red Campion
<i>Silene vulgaris</i>	Bladder Campion
<b>Asparagales</b>	<b>Asparagus Family</b>
<i>Romulea columnae</i>	Sand Crocus
<b>Amaranthaceae</b>	<b>Amaranth Family</b>
<i>Beta vulgaris</i> subsp. <i>maritima</i>	Sea Beet
<i>Salsola kali</i>	Saltwort
<i>Chenopodium ficifolium</i>	Figleaf Goosefoot
<b>Aizoaceae</b>	<b>Iceplant Family</b>
<i>Carpobrotus edulis</i>	Hottentot-fig
<b>Primulaceae</b>	<b>Primrose Family</b>
<i>Lysimachia maritima</i>	Sea Milkwort
<i>Lysimachia arvensis</i>	Scarlet Pimpernel
<i>Primula vulgaris</i>	Primrose
<b>Ericaceae</b>	<b>Heath Family</b>
<i>Erica cinerea</i>	Bell Heather
<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Common Heather
<b>Rubiaceae</b>	<b>Bedstraw Family</b>
<i>Galium verum</i>	Lady's Bedstraw
<i>Galium aparine</i>	Common Cleavers

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<b>Gentianaceae</b>	<b>Gentian Family</b>
<i>Centaureum erythraea</i>	Common Centaury
<b>Boraginaceae</b>	<b>Borage Family</b>
<i>Echium vulgare</i>	Common Viper's-bugloss
<b>Convolvulaceae</b>	<b>Bindweed Family</b>
<i>Calystegia soldanella</i>	Sea Bindweed
<i>Calystegia sepium</i>	Hedge Bindweed
<i>Cuscuta europaea</i>	Common Dodder
<b>Solanaceae</b>	<b>Nightshade Family</b>
<i>Solanum dulcamara</i>	Bittersweet
<i>Lycium barbarum</i>	Duke of Argyll's Teapant
<b>Oleaceae</b>	<b>Olive Family</b>
<i>Ligustrum vulgare</i>	European Privet
<i>Fraxinus excelsior</i>	European Ash
<b>Plantaginaceae</b>	<b>Plantain Family</b>
<i>Cymbalaria muralis</i>	Common Ivy-leaved Toadflax
<i>Plantago coronopus</i>	Buck's-horn Plantain
<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>	Ribwort Plantain
<i>Plantago major</i>	Broadleaf Plantain
<i>Veronica chamaedrys</i>	Germander Speedwell
<i>Veronica persica</i>	Common Field Speedwell
<i>Digitalis purpurea</i>	Foxglove
<b>Scrophulariaceae</b>	<b>Figwort Family</b>
<i>Buddleja davidii</i>	Common Butterfly Bush
<i>Scrophularia auriculata</i>	Water Figwort
<b>Lamiaceae</b>	<b>Dead-nettle Family</b>
<i>Lamium purpureum</i>	Red Dead-nettle
<i>Thymus praecox</i>	Wild Thyme
<i>Mentha suaveolens</i>	Round-leaved Mint
<i>Teucrium scorodonia</i>	Wood Sage
<i>Stachys sylvatica</i>	Hedge Woundwort
<b>Orobanchaceae</b>	<b>Broomrape Family</b>
<i>Orobanche hederæ</i>	Ivy Broomrape
<i>Orobanche purpurea</i>	Purple Broomrape
<i>Orobanche rapum-genistae</i>	Greater Broomrape
<i>Euphrasia</i> agg.	Eyebright sp.
<i>Rhinanthus minor</i>	Yellow Rattle
<i>Parentucellia viscosa</i>	Yellow Bartsia
<i>Salvia verbenaca</i>	Wild Clary
<b>Campanulaceae</b>	<b>Bellflower Family</b>
<i>Jasione montana</i>	Common Sheep's-bit
<b>Asteraceae</b>	<b>Daisy Family</b>
<i>Erigeron karvinskianus</i>	Mexican Fleabane
<i>Cirsium vulgare</i>	Spear Thistle
<i>Cirsium palustre</i>	Marsh Thistle
<i>Arctium lappa</i>	Greater Burdock
<i>Sonchus asper</i>	Prickly Sow-thistle
<i>Sonchus oleraceus</i>	Smooth Sow-thistle
<i>Taraxacum</i> agg.	Dandelion
<i>Helminthotheca echioides</i>	Bristly Oxtongue
<i>Hypochaeris radicata</i>	Common Cat's-ear
<i>Pilosella officinarum</i>	Common Mouse-ear Hawkweed
<i>Senecio vulgaris</i>	Common Groundsel
<i>Jacobaea vulgaris</i>	Common Ragwort
<i>Achillea millefolium</i>	European Yarrow

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<i>Tripleurospermum inodorum</i>	Scentless Mayweed
<i>Matricaria discoidea</i>	Pineappleweed
<i>Leucanthemum vulgare</i>	Oxeye Daisy
<i>Limbarda crithmoides</i>	Golden-samphire
<b>Caprifoliaceae</b>	<b>Honeysuckle Family</b>
<i>Lonicera periclymenum</i>	Common Honeysuckle
<i>Valeriana rubra</i>	Red Valerian
<b>Araliaceae</b>	<b>Aralia Family</b>
<i>Hedera helix</i>	Common Ivy
<b>Apiaceae</b>	<b>Umbellifer Family</b>
<i>Eryngium maritimum</i>	Sea-holly
<i>Daucus carota</i>	Common Carrot
<i>Crithmum maritimum</i>	Rock Samphire
<i>Heracleum sphondylium</i>	Common Hogweed
<i>Anthriscus sylvestris</i>	Cow Parsley
<i>Foeniculum vulgare</i>	Common Fennel
<i>Smyrniolus olusatrum</i>	Alexanders
<b>Hypericaceae</b>	<b>St. John's Wort Family</b>
<i>Hypericum humifusum</i>	Trailing St. John's Wort
<b>Tamaricaceae</b>	<b>Tamarisk Family</b>
<i>Tamarix gallica</i>	Tamarisk