

Blackthorn Survey

Saturday 10th March

Salcey Forest



Blackthorn Hedge by Martin Warren



Blackthorn Blossom by Martin Warren

We want to encourage as many people as possible to get out and do something practical for nature on our 50th birthday. Would you like to help safeguard the rare Black hairstreak in Northamptonshire?

The Black Hairstreak is one of our most elusive butterflies, found only in thickets of Blackthorn in woodlands. As part of the Woodland Wings project, we would like to know where the Blackthorn is in the Salcey Forest area, so that we can target surveys and conservation effort for Black Hairstreak. The best way to do this is to look for Blackthorn when it is in flower and easy to spot. As part of our National Conservation Day of Action, we are asking you to walk a specified route in the Salcey Forest area and plot where the Blackthorn is on a map. Maps and instructions will be provided. All participants will then have the option to get together in a local pub at 1pm to report back (and maybe have a spot of lunch!).

If you would like more information or to be allocated a survey area, please contact the Woodland Wings Project Officer, Caz Temple:
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Black Hairstreak by Iain H Leach



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