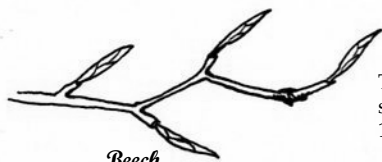


WINTER TREE IDENTIFICATION



Beech
(*Fagus sylvatica*)

Twigs slender, buds spiky, spindle-shaped spreading 1/2 inch or more long.



Field Maple
(*Acer campestre*)

Bud scales hairy at the tips, branches without spines; older twigs with corky ridges.



Crack Willow
(*Salix fragilis*)

Buds appressed to the twig, exposed bud scale, one.



Birch
(*Betula pendula*)

Exposed bud scales two or three, twigs slender, flexible, sometimes warty.



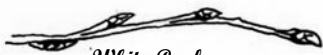
Ash
(*Fraxinus excelsior*)

Bud scales black, terminal bud the largest; twigs smooth.



Alder
(*Alnus glutinosa*)

Buds stalked, with waxy bloom, twigs reddish brown.



White Poplar
(*Populus alba*)

Young twigs covered with a white, cottony film.



Hornbeam
(*Carpinus betulus*)

Twigs as above but buds ovoid, shorter.



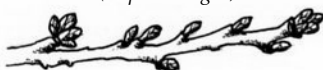
Black Poplar
(*Populus nigra*)

Buds chestnut-brown, glossy, often resinous.



Hazel
(*Corylus avellana*)

Buds pale brown, obtuse twigs often clothed with glandular bristles.



Wild Cherry
(*Prunus avium*)

Twigs not spiny, buds large, glossy, ovoid with about 6 exposed scales.



English Oak
(*Quercus robur*)

Buds clustered at tip of shoot, with numerous 5-ranked scales.



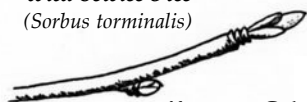
Wild Service Tree
(*Sorbus torminalis*)

Buds sub-globose, smooth at the tips.



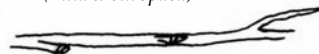
Lime
(*Tilia x europaea*)

Twigs red, zig-zag, glabrous, shining.



Mountain Ash
(*Sorbus aucuparia*)

Buds woolly, scales dark purple.



Crab Apple
(*Malus sylvestris*)

Young twigs partially hairy, short branches ending in a thorn.



Hawthorn
(*Crataegus monogyna*)

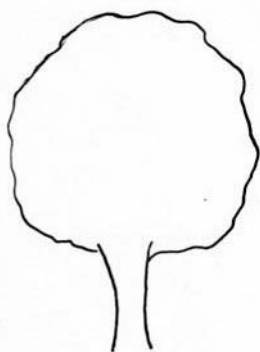
Twigs greyish, spiny, buds minute, rounded.



Whitebeam
(*Sorbus aria*)

Buds elongated, hairy at the tips.

Form – The outline of a tree



Habit – How the branches grow



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