

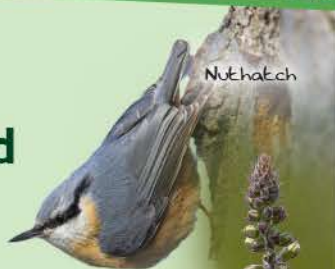
# Welcome to Bishop's Wood

Bishop's Wood Country Park is a 38 hectare ancient semi-natural woodland which offers plenty of potential for exploration.

There is a short easy access trail leading directly from the car park. This has a firm surface and is suitable for families with buggies, wheelchair users and those less mobile. There is a picnic area at the centre of this trail.

If you feel like going further, 1.5 miles of paths head deeper into the wood and link to the London Outer Orbital Path (LOOP). There are also routes for horse riders.

Interpretation boards around the wood offer the chance to learn about its special wildlife, history and management.



Nuthatch



Foxglove



Silver-washed fritillary

Oak leaves

## How to get to Bishop's Wood



### By road:

The car park is on White Hill, reached from the A404 between Rickmansworth and Northwood.

### By bus:

There are regular buses along White Hill from Harefield and Northwood. Contact Traveline on 0871 2002233 or visit [www.intalink.org.uk](http://www.intalink.org.uk)

### By rail:

Bishop's Wood is a 40 minute walk from Northwood Station on the Metropolitan Line.

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A woodland waiting to be explored



## Country Park



# About Bishop's Wood

Bishop's Wood Country Park is owned by Three Rivers District Council. It is managed to provide a haven for local wildlife and to make it easy for visitors to enjoy the woodland.

The long history of the woodland has shaped what can be found here today. Traditional management included hazel coppice and wood pasture. Areas of coppice still remain, and the leaves and nuts of the hazel have been adopted as the logo for Bishop's Wood.



Woodland management in action

Wood pasture resulted in the development of heathland, small fragments of which can be found today. Post-war management has also left its mark, in the form of dense conifer plantations where thinning the trees helps more light to reach the woodland floor.



### Key

- Public footpath
  - London Outer Orbital Path (LOOP)
  - Permissive bridleway
  - Permissive footpath
  - Easy access trail - no horses
  - ▲ Pedestrian entrance
  - ▲ Pedestrian and horse rider entrance
  - Bus stop
  - Interpretation panel
  - Picnic area
  - P Car park
  - ↑ North arrow
- 100m



Great spotted woodpecker

You can see a wide variety of plants and animals as you explore the wood. These might include flowers like common spotted orchid and enchanter's nightshade, butterflies such as white admiral and silver-washed fritillary and birds including woodcock, nuthatch and great spotted woodpecker.

The wildlife of Bishop's Wood will benefit from the management work which takes place here, from thinning and ride widening to restoring traditional coppice management. Improvements to the path network have already made it much easier for visitors to explore the woodland.

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