

**Lady's Bedstraw**



Soft clusters of bright yellow flowers that smell of hay. The leaves are narrow, dark green and in whorls. It often creeps amongst grasses, sending up tall flowering stems in summer.

**Betony**



Red-purple 2-lipped flowers 12-18mm mostly in a compact head at the top of a stem up to 60cm tall.

**Common Bird's-foot-trefoil**



Leaves in sets of three with two **narrow elliptical** stipules (where the leaf stalk meets the stem). **Solid stem**. Flower buds red opening to yellow flowers tinged with red or orange.

**Bulbous Buttercup**



Leaves three lobed, stem **grooved** and flower sepals (green parts of the flower bud underneath the petals) **reflexed** when in flower. Bright yellow petals.

**Greater Bird's-foot-trefoil**



Leaves in sets of three with two **broad oval** stipules (where the leaf stalk meets the stem). **Hollow stem**. Flower usually all yellow without any red or orange.

**Meadow Buttercup**



Leaves deeply divided into 3-5 lobes. Stem un-grooved. Sepals (green parts of flower bud underneath the petals) spreading. Bright yellow flowers.

### Cat's-ear



Wavy-edged leaves with simple un-forked hairs. Hairless stems with dark-tipped scales that look like cat's ears. Flower petals bright yellow above and the outer florets are greyish underneath.

### Red Clover



Leaves with three leaflets and often a white crescent-shaped spot on each leaflet. Globe of flowers that are **pink-purple**

### Cowslip



Deep yellow, cup-shaped, 10mm flowers, clustered at the top of a stem to 30cm tall.

**LEAVES AND STEMS**  
Rosette of wrinkly leaves each up to 15cm long, abruptly narrowed to the stalk.

### Oxeye Daisy



Long-stalked, large, white, daisy-like flowerheads on a plant to 70cm tall.

### White Clover



Leaves with three leaflets with a white spot on each leaflet. Globe of flowers that are **white** but may sometimes be pink or purple-tinged.

### Dandelion



Wavy-edged / stepped leaf with leafless hollow stems ending in a bright yellow flower head. White sap when broken.

### Autumn hawkbit



Leaves deeply incised with un-forked hairs on underside. Hairless stem usually branched 2-3 times with a terminal golden-yellow flower.

### Rough Hawkbit



Scallop-edged leaf with forked and often tri-forked hairs on underside. Stems very hairy and without leaves. Golden yellow florets.

### Common / Black Knapweed



Deep purple flowers are 2-4cm across, and thistle-like.

### Common Mouse-ear



White flowers 3-12mm across with 5 notched petals about the same length as sepals.

### Ribwort Plantain



Greenish flower spikes 2cm long, on long stalks up to 45cm.

### Yellow Rattle



More or less hairless plant to 50cm tall with leafy spikes of yellow 2-lipped flowers.

### Devil's-bit Scabious



Rounded flowerheads 15- 25mm across, all flowers the same size with 4 mauve to dark violet-blue lobes.

### Self-heal



Violet-blue flowers 10-15mm in a compact head at the top of the stem up to 20cm tall.

### Common Sorrel



Flowers greenish-red in loose spikes on plant 30-80cm tall.

### Germander Speedwell



Oval smooth edged leaves that are widest at the base of leaf near the leaf stem. Purplish flowers all at top of stem.

### Tufted Vetch



Scrambling herb bearing long-stalked, narrow, one-sided clusters of many blue-purple pea flowers.

### Meadow Vetchling



Scrambling herb with long- stalked clusters of 5-12 yellow pea flowers.

**Yarrow**



Umbel-like heads of small white (rarely pink) flowers on tough stems.

**Lesser Stitchwort**



White flowers, 5-18mm across, with 5 petals divided more than half way and the same length as sepals.

**Lesser Trefoil**



Upright herb to 30cm with rounded flowerheads 5-9mm across of 3-24 yellow flowers.

**Creeping Buttercup**



Shiny yellow flowers with sepals cupping the petals. Creeping runners root at the nodes.

**Cow Parsley**



One of the earliest flowering of the Carrot family. 60-100cm tall with umbels up to 6cm across of pure white tiny flowers.

**Broad-leaved Dock**



Stout plant to 100cm. Flower spikes branched.

**LEAVES AND STEMS**  
Lower leaves to 25cm with only slightly wavy edges and heart-shaped bases.

### **Curled Dock**



Stout plant up to 100cm. Flower spikes branched.

#### **LEAVES AND STEMS**

Leaves to 30cm with strongly waved edges, rounded or tapered at the base.

### **Goosegrass / Cleavers**



Tiny white flowers on a sprawling plant reaching 1.8m with sticky bristles which stick onto clothing.

### **Hogweed**



Robust herb to 200cm or more. Umbels up to 20cm across of small white or pinkish flowers.

### **Field Horsetail**



Our commonest horsetail. Sterile stems to 80cm sometimes sprawling, patch forming. Green sheaths with spreading green teeth. Whorls of thick simple branches.

### **Common Nettle**



Patch-forming plant with stinging hairs and tassels of tiny flowers.

#### **LEAVES AND STEMS**

Leaves pointed and toothed in opposite pairs. Square stems.

### **Greater Plantain**



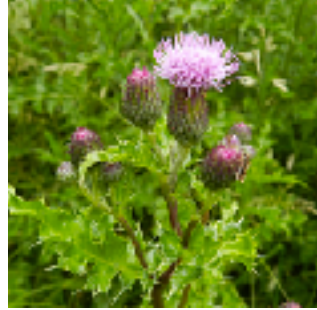
Low to short plant with a solitary, or several leaf rosettes

**Common Ragwort**



Erect plant 30-100cm.  
Terminal clusters of  
flowerheads, each  
15-25mm across, with  
bright yellow ray and disc  
florets.

**Creeping Thistle**



Far-creeping herb.  
Flowerheads in open  
clusters, 20mm x  
10-15mm, pinkish-  
purple.

**Spear Thistle**



Flowerheads solitary  
or in loose clusters,  
3-5cm long, red-  
purple.