Marbled white outterfly

# Welcome to Nash's Meadows

These three fields were acquired in 2017 to be restored to wildflower-rich lowland hay meadows. Nearby nature reserves Melrose Farm and Boynes meadows as well as the old railway line at Brotheridge Green are already wonderful examples, awash with rare plants such as green-winged orchid, dyer's greenweed and saw-wort.

The restoration of Nash's Meadows is likely to take up to 25 years, although seed will be collected from the other local reserves to speed up the colonisation of these rare plants.

As part of the Brotheridge Green reserves, Nash's Meadows forms part of a corridor of wildlife-rich grassland helping to create a living landscape for plants and animals to move through and live in.

## Did you know ...?

These meadows were kindly given to the Trust by the estate of the late Nancy Nash.

Since the Second World War over 95% of our lowland wildflower meadows have disappeared so it is vitally important to preserve those fragments still remaining and create new meadows like this for future generations to enjoy.

Brotheridge Green **Old Railway** Nature Resrerve

> Green-winged orchid

## I-spy...

YOU ARE HERE

Look out for plants like knapweed and meadow summer evenings.

#### Please remember...

Nature reserves are special places for the conservation of our wildlife. For everyone to enjoy this reserve please respect the following:

- Keep to footpaths
- Keep your dog on a lead at all times

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### Seasonal Highlights

SPRING: Hare, bird's-foot trefoil, sedge warbler



AUTUMN: Green woodpecker, comma butterfly



SUMMER: Marbled white, common blue, meadow vetchling, **knapweed** 



WINTER: fieldfare, redwing, badger



vetchling as well as marbled white butterflies fluttering over the grassland in summer. The Mere Brook is a wonderful corridor through the landscape and pipistrelle bats are likely to be found hunting along it on warm

This reserve is one of over 70 nature reserves that we own or manage. They form part of our vision for a Living Landscape for Worcestershire. By working with other landowners, managers and communities we aim to *restore, recreate* and *reconnect* fragmented natural habitats to achieve a landscape where wildlife can flourish and people can lead healthier and happier lives.

#### You can help protect wildlife by:

- Becoming a member
- Making a donation
- Volunteering to help
- Encouraging wildlife at home or work

We are part of a national network of The Wildlife Trusts, protecting wildlife across the UK.

## Protecting **wildlife** where we live