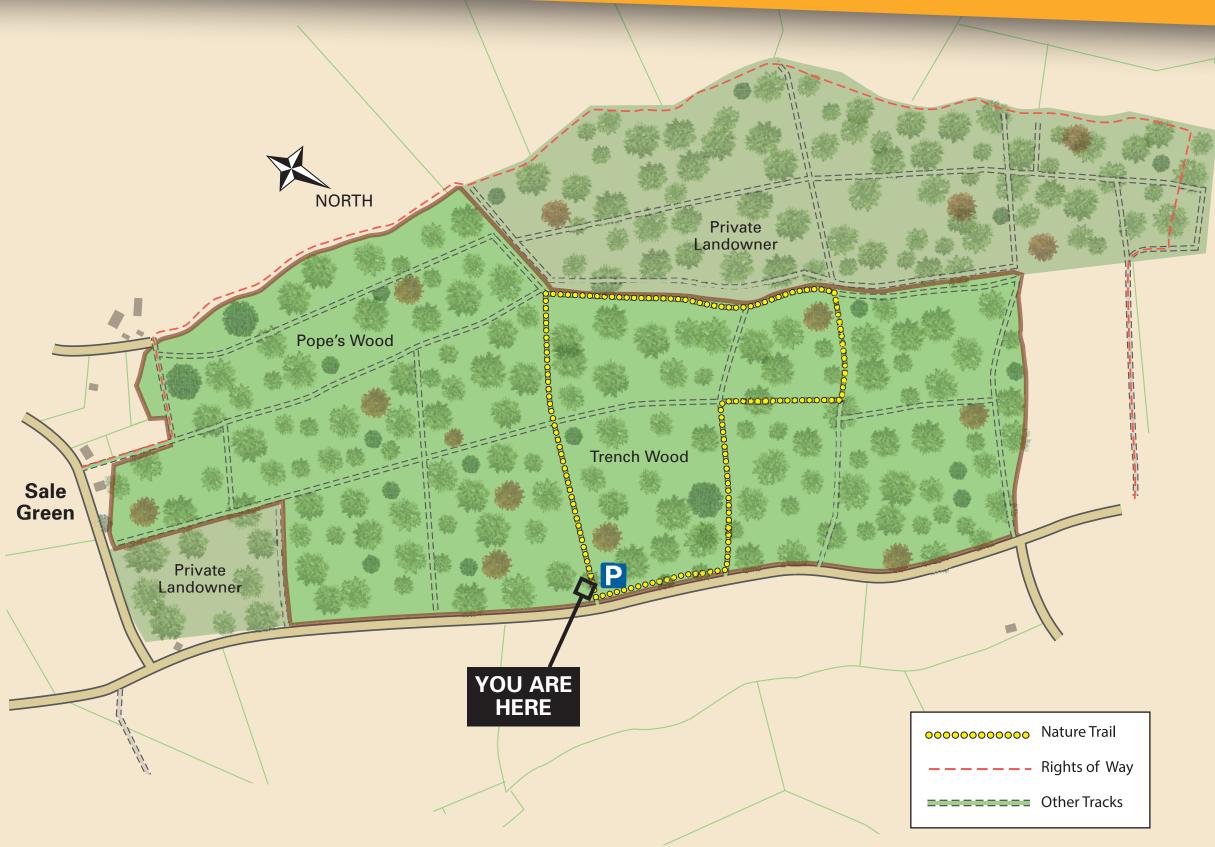
# Nelcome to Trench Wood

Approximately two-thirds of this large ancient woodland make up Trench Wood nature reserve. It is a Site of Special Scientific Interest because of its importance to woodland invertebrates.

Much of the woodland was cleared and replanted in the 1960s by the Harris Brush Company to produce wooden poles for broom heads. Today, we manage the wood for wildlife by using centuries-old techniques used by our ancestors such as coppicing and thinning the trees. The resulting open, sunny verges along the main paths allow wildflowers to thrive whilst regular forestry work helps to reinvigorate the woodland for the future.



## Did you know ...?

The name Trench Wood is thought to derive from a nearby fort with earthwork banks and ditches to the northeast of the modern-day wood, as described in an Anglo-Saxon charter of 972AD.

#### Seasonal Highlights



SPRING - brown hare, aspen leaf-rolling weevil, dog's mercury, brimstone, blackcap, broad-bodied chaser, bird's-foot trefoil



**SUMMER** – common spotted orchid, knapweed, white admiral, silver-washed fritillary, brown hairstreak, garden warbler, meadow saffron



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AUTUMN - devil's-bit scabious, spindle, birch polypore, red admiral, common darter



WINTER - redwing, rosehips, nuthatch, silver birch, redpoll

# Help our wildlife

This is a special place for our local wildlife. For everyone to enjoy the nature reserve please respect the following:

- Keep to the paths at all times
- Litter must be taken home
- on site

### Your support

By volunteering, becoming a member, donating or leaving a gift in your will you can help us to manage this and more than 75 other places for wildlife throughout Worcestershire.

We work with other landowners, managers and communities to **restore**, **recreate** and **reconnect** fragmented natural habitats to achieve a landscape where wildlife can flourish and people can lead happier and healthier lives.

Our woodlands are certified with the UK Woodland Assurance Scheme for their high standards of management.

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

Thank you to Saleway Parish Council for funding this information board. Trench Wood is jointly managed with Butterfly Conservation







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Dogs must be kept on a lead to avoid disturbing wildlife and you must pick up after them Bicycles, motorcycles and horses are not permitted



Protecting wildlife where we live