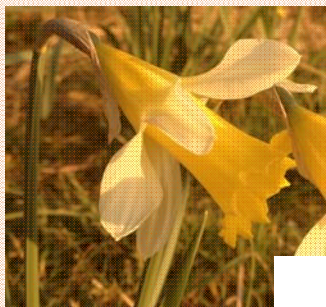


# March Wildflowers Spotter's Sheet



## Wild Daffodil

*Narcissus pseudonarcissus* \*  
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Our native daffodil is smaller & paler than horticultural varieties, but still a striking sight in the countryside.

### Where to find it:

Open woods, esp. orchards.



## Butterbur

*Petasites hybridus*

Its heart-shaped leaves can grow to almost a metre in length & were once used to wrap butter to keep it fresh.

### Where to find it:

Riversides & ditches.



## Catkins

*Corylus avellana*

The dangling catkin is actually just the male flower of the Hazel tree. The female flowers smaller & bud-like with red strands.

### Where to find it:

Hedgerows & woodland.



## Colt's-foot

*Tussilago farfara*

Its name comes from its leaves, which are felted & look like a colt's foot. Curiously these appear after the flower has bloomed.

### Where to find it:

Rough ground & roadsides.



## Lesser Celandine

*Ranunculus ficaria*

"Celandine" comes from *chelidon* - the Greek word for swallow. Like the bird, its a sign that spring has arrived.

### Where to find them:

Shady, damp ground.



## Marsh Marigold

*Caltha palustris*

Also known as Mayflower, this is the bloom that gave its name to the ship the Pilgrim Fathers sailed to America in.

### Where to find it:

Wetland areas.



## Primrose

*Primula vulgaris*

Primrose derives from the Latin "*prima rosa*" which means "first rose", an allusion to its beauty & its early blooming period.

### Where to find it:

Hedgerows & woodland.



## Red Dead-nettle

*Lamium purpureum*

A great food source for bees due to its long flowering period. In fact in Notts. & Lincs it was called the "Bumblebee flower".

### Where to find it:

Wasteland & gardens.



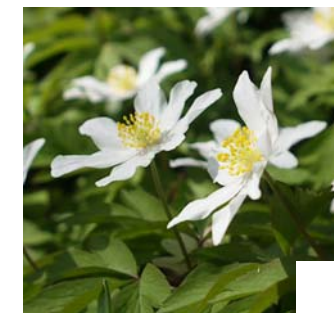
## Violets

*Viola spp.*

This romantic wildflower was Napoleon's favourite. When he died some were found in a locket as a memento of Josephine.

### Where to find it:

Woods & hedges.



## Wood Anemone

*Anemone nemorosa*

A slow spreading wild flower that carpets woodland floors. Because of this, if you see lots its likely your in an ancient one.

### Where to find it:

Ancient woodland.