

Wild About Colchester



SPRING BIG 5 SAFARI SHEET: 2

Salary Brook | Colne Local Nature Reserve

See if you can spot any of the species listed here. Spring is a wonderful time of year to see different plants, animals and even fungi. We are asking you to keep your eyes open when you are out doing your daily exercise in your local parks and open green spaces.

A wildlife challenge for all. The wildlife and animals listed can be hard to spot and spread out over very large sites. Help the rangers by spotting these wonderful Spring resident species as well as some seasonal visitors.

Please remember to stay local and adhere to all government guidance regarding travel, exercise, social distancing and bubbles.

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**The Wild About Colchester
Big 5 Safari is not just for
Children.**

Challenge your ID skills and help the Rangers to identify and locate some of the harder to spot species in the different parks, reserves and green spaces in Colchester.

Salary Brook Local Nature Reserve

This river valley corridor covering 48 acres constitutes an important urban wildlife area and comprises a wealth of habitats including pasture, grassland, marsh, fishing ponds and the brook itself which runs the entire length of the reserve. There is no formal car park. Limited roadside parking maybe available. Nearest postcode: CO4 3SE. Find out more at Colchester.gov.uk/parks.

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Red Dead Nettle



Hawthorn Bud Burst



Chiffchaff



Buzzard



Comma Butterfly

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Colne Local Nature Reserve

The Colne LNR lies on the north side of the river Colne on rising ground between Essex University and Wivenhoe. An 85 acre reserve consisting of Wivenhoe Woods, Ferry Marsh and Lower Lodge Farm. The site car park is located off Rosabelle Avenue, CO7 9NZ. Find out more at Colchester.gov.uk/parks.

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Common Lizard



Greater Stitchwort



Bird carrying nesting material



Lesser Celandine



Ferns unfurling

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