

Summary

Wild Service Tree

Sorbus torminalis

Sorbus torminalis can usually be identified in Summer/Autumn by its berries. Its leaves could be mistaken for Wayfaring tree and Sycamore. Sorbus torminalis has one main vein with around 5 sets of side veins. but Sycamore has 5 large veins running from the stalk and Guelder Rose has three lobes.



Sorbus torminalis fruit and leaves



Sycamore



Guelder Rose

The easiest time to record it is in the Autumn when the leaves start to fall. They turn a lovely apricot? colour. All the leaves are high in the canopy of surrounding trees so look on the ground to find the leaves and then look up.



The main method of reproduction is by suckers and if you look at the picture, right, you can see them spreading out among the brambles.



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monad	Site	Grid Ref	Recorder	Date	Number	Comments
4377	White Creek	SD4377477214	LF/SB	29/10/23	4	White Creek coast path. on west side of gully to beach, 4 large trees and at least 10 saplings. Also on east side of gully 4378777219 ,there are 2 large trees and 6 saplings
4476	Far Arnside	4421776628	LF	11/11/23	3	A few metres down from path below a large oak tree. 1 adult 2 saplings
4477	Copriidding	4452077491	LF/SB	29/10/23	1 large tree	1 very large tree about 50ft tall with around 50 saplings. It is several metres from the path. The leaves are tinged pink so this is a good time to look for it.
4477	Grubbins Wood	4457277934	AK	30/10/23	2	top path in Grubbins Wood 2m on south side of path. also some saplings
4573	Jack Scout	4589773799	AK			Jack Scout reserve. gully near the Cows Mouth. one tree and ten young shrubs. looked in 2023 but not found
4673	Jack Scout	461739				north of Gray Walls east of Jack Scout on a limestone cliff. Several small trees at 461739 in 2000
4676	Eaves Wood	46107619	AF	31/07/23	3	c300m North from the Pepperpot on the north side of the grassland.
4676	Middlebarrow Plain	461765	LF/SB	16/11/23		Middlebarrow Plain below pavement. seven trees at 461765 None found 2023
4676	Middlebarrow Plain	463764	LF/SB	16/11/23		The trees are just before you enter Eaves Wood. none found 2023
4676	Middlebarrow Plain	46467649	AF	31/07/23	4+2dead	c 30 m south of quarry edge. Four living and two recently dead stems, oddly there are no root saplings visible.
4676	Eaves Wood	4669376110	AK? AF	07/07/23	9	1 very tall tree and at least 8 saplings to the left of the path just after it passes the old cottage on its way west.
4676	Eaves Wood	46917665	AF	31/07/23	13	10m east of the county boundary wall. 13 stems c2-4 " DBH and 50-100 saplings growing from the roots spreading in all directions including under the wall into Cumbria.
4676	Waterslack	468765				Waterslack Wood. several small trees near county wall. at 468765 in 2000
4776	Jubilee Wood	4776				
4779	Storth	4779	LE	18/11/23	1 tree	on private land in storth

