

FEATURE

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For immediate use

Top five wild Christmas gifts

Get inspired with Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust's wild gift guide this Christmas

ONE: 152 Wild Things To Do book £12.99

When did you last climb a tree? Pick some blackberries? Collect shells on a beach? Plant flowers to help bumble bees? *152 Wild Things To Do* is exactly what you need to re-connect with nature. This book is packed with inspirational ideas to get active, enjoy being outdoors and see the best of Britain's wildlife, whether it's at home or at Wildlife Trust nature reserves. From choosing wildlife-friendly plants for your garden to taking a nature trail through ancient forests, from saving an endangered species in your garden to spotting whales and dolphins, this family friendly guide is accessible, practical and perfect for nature lovers everywhere, young or old. [152 Wild Things to Do](#)

TWO: Gift membership

From £30

Our gift membership makes a lovely present for someone special and is a great way to support our conservation work. The lucky recipient will benefit from a year's membership packed full of wildlife! The gift includes regular issues of *Wildlife Matters* magazine, a nature reserves map, *Go Wild* local events programme and a fantastic wildlife book. If you are buying a gift for one person ([individual](#) membership) or two people ([joint](#) membership) they will receive a copy of *Wildlife Walks*, a guide to over 500 Wildlife Trust nature reserves across the UK - a great present for nature lovers. Our gift [family](#) membership (two adults and up to four children) includes a copy of *152 Wild Things To Do*, a book packed with inspirational ideas to get active, enjoy the outdoors and see the best of Britain's wildlife.

THREE: Nature Tales book

£18

From Nick Baker diving with basking sharks off the Cornish coast to J.A.Baker's vivid descriptions of peregrines in the Essex countryside, or Sir John Lister-Kaye tracking deer in a Scottish woodland, *Nature Tales* celebrates Britain's wildlife and landscapes with some of the greatest nature writers in the world. With contributions from both historic and modern day naturalists,



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including a foreword by Sir David Attenborough. Curl up with a copy of *Nature Tales* and begin your encounters with British wildlife. [Nature Tales](#)

FOUR: Family membership

Christmas special offer: £42

Why not buy a gift for the whole family this Christmas? Join Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust during November and December and you will receive 5 Breathing Places booklets full of inspiring wildlife activities, and a limited edition cotton shopping bag, absolutely free. This pack also includes an audio CD of night animal sounds narrated by Chris Packham, great fun for the children. As well as receiving a nature reserves map, local events programme and Wildlife Matters magazine there is Wildlife Watch for the children which includes a membership card, badge, posters, wildlife watcher's handbook and a fab magazine four times a year. This membership package is a real bargain. You will also be making a real difference to wildlife. To receive your free gift, order your family membership today at www.hertswildlifetrust.org.uk or call 01727 858901.

FIVE: Sponsor your local wildlife

From £15

You can choose to sponsor a beautiful [barn owl](#), a delicate [dragonfly](#) or even a wonderful [water vole](#)! Sponsors receive an adoption certificate, stunning photograph and factsheet. By sponsoring your local wildlife you will be helping us to create and enhance habitats for local wildlife. [See our full list of sponsorship opportunities](#). Prices range from £15 so there is something to suit everyone's budget.

Visit our online shop www.hertswildlifetrust.org.uk/shop to order your wild gift today. Place your order by 15th December to guarantee Christmas delivery!

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Notes for Editors

Herts and Middlesex Wildlife Trust

We are the leading voice for wildlife conservation in Hertfordshire and neighbouring areas. With 43 nature reserves spanning 1,900 acres, from beautiful woodlands and wetlands to rare patches of heath and orchard, we take practical action every day to help wildlife to flourish. The Wildlife Trusts are unique in being the only organisations that work to protect the full range of UK habitats and species, at a local level. <http://www.hertswildlifetrust.org.uk/>

The Wildlife Trusts

We collectively manage 2,300 nature reserves across the UK covering more than 90,000 hectares, attracting around 6.5 million visitors each year. As well as protection, these sites need to be expanded and buffered, with connections and stepping stones created between them. This will enable species to adapt to a changing climate.

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