

Wildlife Friendly Plants



What are they?

Plants that are drought resistant and can retain water and plants that encourage insect life.

Why plant them?

Climate projections show the south of England is likely to have hotter and drier summers, with rainfall dropping by more than 20% by 2080. Some plants can help retain water in your garden, and others can live with very little water. The RTF (Rhizomatous Tall Fescue) turf (one type of turf at Oak Tree House) is the first to be awarded the Waterwise Marque for water-efficient products and, once established, its rhizome-based root system makes it drought tolerant and able to survive waterlogging too.

Our wildflower lawn adds colour and interest from spring to autumn as well as providing a favourable habitat for bees, butterflies and other insects. The lawn is cut to a height of 25 - 50 mm (1 to 2 inches) after the plants have set and shed their seed in autumn. This ensures healthy, disease-free plants that quickly return to flower in the spring.

At a glance

The Garden at Oak Tree House

At Oak Tree House we have a range of environmentally friendly plants. We also have Local Action21, a volunteer group who tend to the garden.

If you wish to find out more about the garden at Oak Tree House please contact Actio₂n Surrey on 0800 783 2503



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Step 4 – Wildlife Friendly Plants