



THE NATIONAL
FOREST

Coleorton Wood

6.4 ha woodland managed by Leicestershire County Council. Planted in 1991/2 on the site of a former colliery with funds raised through Royal Mail and Woody Tree Campaign.

Facilities



Paul Winson 156 irreg.
Mo-Sa; Stevensons 177
irreg.

Nearby sites to visit

- The Swannington Incline in Swannington built by Robert Stephenson in 1832.
- Nature Alive Nature Reserve at Swannington

What to look for

A large number of conifers have been planted to “nurse” the broadleaved trees by creating shelter.

The conifers will be removed in about 20 years as a timber crop to generate some income and to allow the broadleaves to grow.

The site is on the route of the Mining Heritage Trail, a 9 mile walk tracing the coal mining history of this part of North West Leicestershire. A leaflet is available from LCC.

Coleorton Hall is nearby. This was the home of Sir George Beaumont, the founder of the National Gallery. Until recently, the hall served as offices for British Coal.

