



THE NATIONAL
FOREST

A greener future for farming and land management

For nearly 30 years the National Forest Company have been supporting landowners to help grow the National Forest. We provide funding for the creation of new woodlands and other habitats, which can help you to increase the potential of your land through better yields and new diversification opportunities, reduced flooding and soil loss, and increased nutrient recycling.





Why work with us?

- **Easy** Our grant schemes are straight forward and offer funding to cover design, planning and up to 100% of implementation costs.
- **Approachable** We are friendly and approachable and can offer personal support and flexibility to adapt to your business needs.
- **Knowledgeable** We offer free and impartial advice on how trees could be included on your farm to provide the most benefit.

What are the benefits?

- **Economic** We believe the Forest can drive regeneration to develop a thriving agricultural, visitor, and low-carbon economy that creates lasting jobs, and provides opportunities to improve skills and increase aspirations.
- **Environmental** By increasing forest cover, you'll be helping to reduce flooding, improve air quality, increase biodiversity and create a forest that will help us all adapt to future challenges. A variety of non-woodland habitats can also be supported.
- **Societal** We're creating a forest for everyone. Continuing to grow, manage and make it more accessible so that the benefits are felt by all and it can provide a legacy for generations to come.

Our schemes



Freewoods We support the creation of woodlands from as little as 0.25 hectares and woodland blocks can be as small as 0.1 hectares, making them easier to fit into a busy farm.



Changing Landscapes For projects and woodland creation of 1 hectare or more. We can support environmental and biodiversity improvements through the creation and management of habitats such as meadows, wetlands, ponds, parkland, and hedges. The grant also supports paths, roading, signage, community engagement and public access.



Parkland We can support projects as little as 0.25 hectares and three trees. This grant offers an easy way to make a difference as wood pasture is a UK and National Forest priority habitat.

All schemes cover tree protection, maintenance and agent fees for planning, undertaking the application and managing the work. In addition to our creation grants, we offer assistance for the management of existing woodlands and habitats through our Forest Management Grant.

Forest creation is supported by the Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs under the Nature for Climate Fund.



Tourism diversification

It starts with trees, but it doesn't end there.

We want to create a sustainable tourism destination, growing those businesses that support the aims of the Forest, increasing outdoor facilities and experiences for visitors and residents that help to reinforce a distinctive sense of place.

Currently we are prioritising opportunities to develop new sustainable tourism accommodation

and have launched a Sustainable Tourism Accommodation Development Programme and supporting Design Guide.

Working with our team and specialist advisors, you can make the most of the opportunities your land offers and develop your ideas from concept right through to full feasibility and business case development.

Find out more:
nationalforest.org/tourism

Get in touch with us

If you own land in the National Forest, we'd love to hear about your aspirations and discuss how we can help you to achieve these. Our forest creation grants can help you to maximise diversification opportunities for your land,

create a resilient agricultural holding for the future, provide habitats for wildlife and create spaces for wellbeing and recreation.

Help us grow the future.



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