

# Durrow Wild Woodland

There are lots of wonderful plants and animals that live in the woods and fields around Durrow. See if you can spot the birds, insects, plants and animals below on your walks this spring.



**Buzzard (Clamhán)** One of the most common Irish birds of prey. They are scavengers and hunters and will eat dead animals as well as hunting smaller birds and animals like rabbits, rats and frogs. They have a high-pitched, piercing call, and they make lots of noise in the spring. You might see them flying in circles high over the fields at Knockatrina Woods on bright mornings!

**I saw a Buzzard**

## Spring Flowers.

There are lots of flowers coming out in our woods and fields. These are very important to the Bumblebees and other pollinator insects who rely on them for food. Primroses, Violets and Celandines are now blooming along the River Nore in Dunmore Wood. **See if you can find them on your walk!**

**Primrose**  
(Sabhaircín)



**I found a Primrose**

**Violet**  
(Sialchuach)



**I found a Violet**

**Celandine**  
(Grán arcáin)



**I found a Celandine**



## Bumblebee (Bumbóg)

Bumblebees hibernate during winter and in spring they look for new nesting sites. Some favourite places are leaf litter under hedges, abandoned burrows and cool, dark spaces beneath stones and boulders. You can see Bumblebees flying close to the ground near pathways in Capponellan Woods.

**I saw a Bumblebee**

## Red Squirrel (Iora Rua)

These native Irish animals are very shy. They spend most of their time high in the trees but occasionally can be seen on the ground. Red Squirrels have very bushy tails and tufts of red fur on top of their ears. If you are lucky, you might spot a Red Squirrel in the trees on the Ballagh, Derry Wood or Capponellan forest walks.

**I saw a Red Squirrel**

