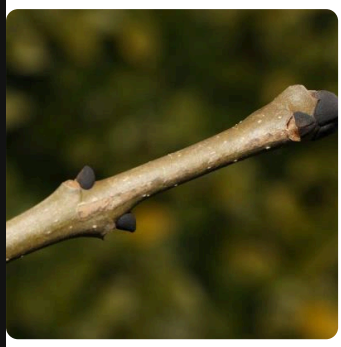
Winter twig spotter

Bare twigs and buds of twelve common trees, for a winter walk. Tick each one you find.



☐ **Common ash**

Sooty black buds in opposite pairs



☐ **Horse chestnut**

Sticky buds over horseshoe-shaped leaf scars



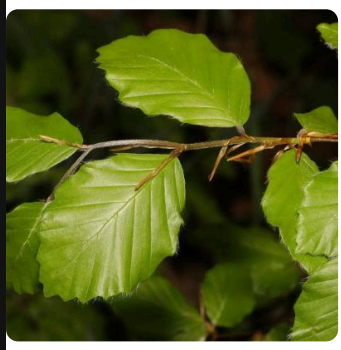
☐ **Sycamore**

Big green buds in opposite pairs



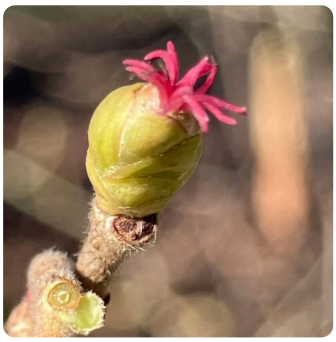
☐ **English oak**

Cluster of light brown buds at each tip



☐ **Common beech**

Long copper buds standing out at 60°



☐ **Hazel**

Fat green buds on rough, hairy shoots



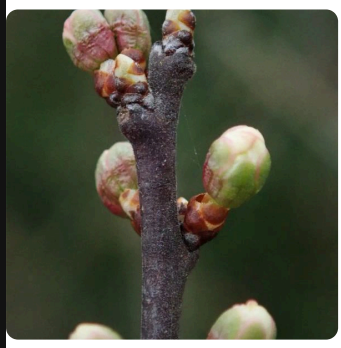
☐ **Silver birch**

White resin warts on hairless, dark purplish shoots



☐ **Hawthorn**

Thorns and buds from the same point



☐ **Blackthorn**

Purple shoots, tiny buds set on the spines



☐ **Alder**

Stalked buds, club-shaped and dusted mauve



☐ **Hornbeam**

Slender 8 mm buds hugging a zig-zag shoot



☐ **Elder**

Purplish pineapple buds, white pith inside

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