

ESSEX EXPLORERS

Wetland Wonder TRAIL



What is a wetland?

Wetlands are an eco-system where the land is covered by water either seasonally or permanently.

Wetlands provide a place for rain water to be stored and help to reduce flooding. They offer an important home for all kinds of animals.

In the Essex Country Parks you can find streams, ponds and lakes, as well as marshes and estuaries.

Letter Hunt

Discover the letters along the trail, there are five to find.

Unscramble them to make the mystery word.



Mystery word

Write the letters in the circles as you find them:



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Wetland

WORDSEARCH

O	T	R	H	A	B	I	T	A	T
R	E	E	D	S	J	L	O	I	P
O	E	R	G	S	T	R	E	A	M
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P	R	R	E	U	V	N	O	U	H
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O	N	R	Y	U	T	W	O	D	I
D	U	C	K	I	J	T	S	L	F
J	T	K	G	B	O	L	E	E	P
D	U	C	K	L	I	N	G	R	P

STREAM
EEL
NEST
DUCK

OTTER
HABITAT
DUCKLING
REEDS

FROG
PUDDLE
NEWT
FISH



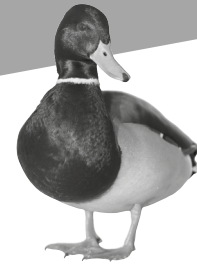
Mystery Word: MARSH

Scavenger

HUNT:



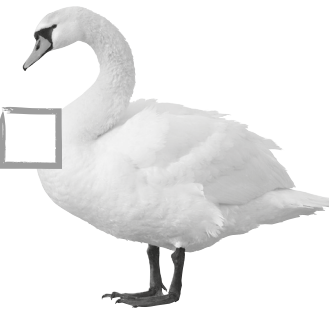
Tick them off if you spot them.



Mallard duck



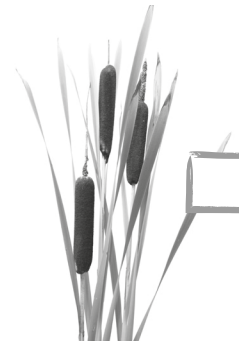
Nest



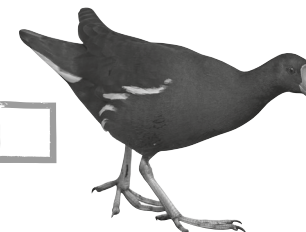
Mute swan



Frog



Common reeds



Moorhen



Colour in the picture



Can you help the Beaver get home?

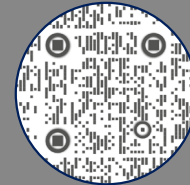


Beavers build dams out of fallen trees, branches, and mud. The dam blocks the flow of water to create a pond.



SCAN THE
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to watch the
beavers
'in action' at
Spains Hall Estate.



Inspired by beavers, leaky dams slow the flow of water to help reduce flooding, and improve wetland habitats. Find leaky dams in Thorndon and Weald Park.