



Little Chalfont Nature Park

A hidden gem in the Chilterns

July What you might see in the park Flowers and Fruit in the park

Cherries

There are lots of cherries on the trees in the picnic area. This park was a cherry orchard a long time ago.



These are in the old hedge

Yellow rattle This indicates a healthy wildflower meadow because the rattle reduces the strength of the toughest grass which would overcome other wildflower meadow plants. There is lots of it in the park.

Why is it called Rattle?

When this plant produces seeds, they make a dry rattling sound. To hear it, wait until it goes brown.



Ladies Bedstraw

It was used for mattresses years ago, as it kept away the fleas.

Can you see where it is growing?



Mallow

Butterflies and Moths

Lots of these are in the park

Peacock butterfly



Meadow brown.

Sixspot Burnet Moth

This moth flies in the day time.



Cinnabar Moth caterpillars



This moth
lays its eggs
on Ragwort



**Cinnabar
Moth**

Bees

Bumble bees and honey bees are busy



There are 24 species of Bumble bees
In the UK and 7 are common.