

Treepacks are back!

The Woodland Trust is urging landowners to join the fight to protect the landscape from the increasing effects of ash dieback and other tree pests and diseases by once again offering fully subsidized treepacks for landowners within the Eastern Claylands. 210 of these packs are available for 2021/2022 planting season and each contains 50 saplings, chosen from species carefully selected to best replace trees which will be lost to disease and strengthen the landscape against future threats (oak, hornbeam, field maple, wild cherry, and crab apple).

The Woodland trust is working at landscape scale across the Eastern Claylands to protect, plant and restore trees and woodlands, which face a variety of pressures including climate change and tree disease.

More than half the trees in the Eastern Claylands are found outside of woodlands in hedgerows along roadsides and on farmland, and ash is the second most common species. Ash dieback has been confirmed in every county across England and represents a significant threat to the ash trees of the Eastern Claylands. Combined with the effects of acute oak decline and pollution this might equate to a hugely worrying total of 2 million trees disappearing from the landscape of Essex and Suffolk over the next 10 to 15 years.

How to apply

This seasons treepacks are fully subsidized for landowners in Suffolk by the Trust and are available at no cost on a first come first served basis due to their limited availability.

Up to two treepacks can be requested by each land owner, and they'll be ready for collection over winter. In December, pick up days will be available in Stonham Aspal.

For more details and booking enquiries visit the Suffolk Tree Warden Network website at:

<https://www.suffolktreewardens.org.uk/landowner-tree-pack-offer/>