

Colliery spoil sites support a diversity of lichens, mosses and fungi, including some of Wales' rarest species. Can you find any of these distinctive species?



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Cladonia lichens

Cladonia spp.

Found from January-December

A large genus of lichens that includes species more commonly referred to as 'cup lichens' as well as more bushier species referred to as 'reindeer moss'. The podetia (stalks) of some species are unbranched and taper to a point, while others are often tipped with red or brown (e.g. Devil's Matchstick). Cladonia lichens are often encountered on the ground amongst heathers.



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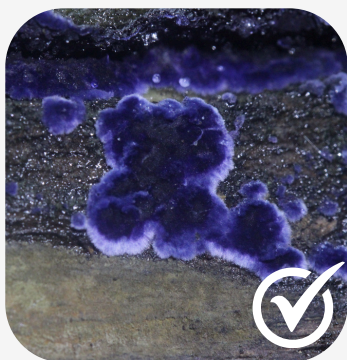
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Bog/peat mosses

Sphagnum spp.

Found from January-December

These 'bog-mosses' grow closely together, forming spongy 'living carpets' in wet places. They range in colour from red and pink, to orange and green.



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Cobalt Crust fungus

Terana caerulea

Found from January-December

A thin crust fungus that is instantly recognisable owing to its bright cobalt-blue colour. It can be found on various trees and shrubs including willows and gorse.



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Blackening Waxcap fungus

Hygrocybe conica

Found from July to November

A variable grassland fungus with moist, sharply conical caps that soon turn black all over, usually from the centre of the cap. They can remain standing for many weeks.



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Fly Agaric fungus

Amanita muscaria

Found from August-November

A classic fairy tale toadstool, it has a red cap with white wart-like spots and white gills. It is often found beneath Birch trees in autumn.

Mae safleoedd tomenni glo yn cynnal amrywiaeth o gennau, mwsoglau a ffyngau, yn cynnwys rhai o rywogaethau prinnaf Cymru. Allwch chi ddod o hyd i rai o'r rhywogaethau penodol hyn?



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Cen Cladonia

Cladonia spp.

Mis Ionawr i fis Rhagfyr

Genws mawr o gen sy'n cynnwys rhywogaethau a elwir fel arfer yn 'cen cwpan yn ogystal â rhywogaethau mwy trechus y cyfeirir atynt fel 'mwsogl carw'. Mae coesau rhai rhywogaethau yn ddi-gangen ac yn tapro i bwynt, tra bod eraill flaen coch neu frown (e.e. Ffyn y Diafol). Mae cen Cladonia yn gyffredin ar y ddaear ymysg grug.



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Mwsogl cors/mawn

Sphagnum spp.

Mis Ionawr i mis Rhagfyr

Mae'r mwsogl cors hyn yn tyfu'n agos at ei gilydd, gan ffurfio 'carpedi byw' sbonciog mewn lleoedd gwlyb. Maent yn amrywio mewn lliw o goch a phinc, i oren a gwyrdd.



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Amanita'r Gwybed

Amanita muscaria

Mis Awst i fis Tachwedd

Caws llyffant traddodiadol, mae ganddo gap coch gyda smotiau gwyn a smotiau bach tebyg i ddafadennau a thagelli gwyn. Mae'n aml i'w weld dan goed bedw yn yr hydref.



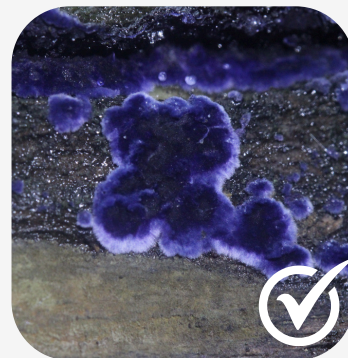
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Ffwngws cap cwyr duol

Hygrocybe conica

Mis Gorffennaf i fis Medi

Ffwngws glastir amrywiol gyda chapiau gwlyp, siap pîg sy'n troi'n ddu drostynt yn sydyn, fel arfer o ganol y cap. Gallant aros yn sefyll am wythnosau lawer.



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Ffwngws Crwst Glas

Terana caerulea

Mis Ionawr i fis Rhagfyr

Ffwngws crwst tenau sy'n rhwydd ei adnabod oherwydd ei liw glas lachar. Mae i'w weld ar wahanol goed a pherthi yn cynnwys helyg ac eithin.

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