

The nutrient-poor soils of colliery spoil sites encourage a diverse range of flowering plants. Can you find any of these plants?



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Bird's-foot Trefoil

Lotus spp.

Found from May-September

A low-creeping, perennial plant with clusters of deep, yellow flowers tinged with orange/red.



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Ling

Calluna vulgaris

Found from July-September

A bushy, dwarf shrub with stems packed with tiny green leaves and pink/purple coloured flowers.



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Carline Thistle

Carlina vulgaris

Found from July-September

A spiny biennial plant with distinctive brown and golden flower heads that look like a thistle that's gone to seed.



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Southern-marsh Orchid

Dactylorhiza praetermissa

Found from May-July

A purple-pink orchid with leaves that are generally unmarked. Identification can be difficult due to hybridisation with Common Spotted-orchid.



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Yellow/white umbellifers

Apiaceae

Found May-September

Characterised by their parasol-shaped umbels, made up of many tiny flowers held on short flower stalks. Examples include Cow Parsley, Pignut, Wild Carrot and Hogweed.



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Yellow composites

Asteraceae

Found March-October

Dandelion-like perennials with dense, round yellow flower heads. Examples include Coltsfoot, Cat's-ear, Mouse-ear Hawkweed Hawkbits.

Mae priddoedd di-faeth y tomenni glo yn annog ystod amrywiol o blanhigion blodeuol. Allwch chi weld rhai o'r planhigion hyn?



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Pysen y ceirw

Lotus spp.

Mis Mai i fis Medi

Planhigyn lluosfydd tyfu'n isel gyda chlystyrau o flodau dwfn, melyn gydag ychydig o oren/coch.



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Grug

Calluna vulgaris

Mis Gorffennaf i fis Medi

Perth fach drwchus gyda choesu yn llawn dail bach gwyrdd a blodau pinc/porffor.



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Ysgall Siarl

Carlina vulgaris

Mis Gorffennaf i fis Medi

Planhigion pigog yn blodeuo bob yn ail f lwyddyn gyda blodau brown ac aur sy'n edrych fel ysgall wedi hadu.



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Tegeirian y gors deheuol

Dactylorhiza praetermissa

Mis Mai i fis Gorffennaf

Tegeirian porffor-pinc gyda dail heb farciau fel arfer. Gallant fod yn anodd eu hadnabod oherwydd hybrideiddio gyda'r Tegeirian Brych.



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Wmbeliffrau melyn/gwyn

Apiaceae

Mis Mai i fis Medi

Nodweddir gan eu hwmbelau siâp parasol, yn cynnwys llawer o flodau bach iawn ar goesau byr. Enghreifftiau'n cynnwys Gorthryfail, Cnau'r Ddaear, Moron Gwyllt ac Efwr.



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Cyfansoddion melyn

Asteraceae

Mis Mawrth i fis Hydref

Planhigion lluosflwydd tebyg i ddant y llew gyda phenau blodau melyn crwn trwchus. Enghreifftiau'n cynnwys Carn yr Efol, Clust y Gath, Heboglys, a Peradyl.