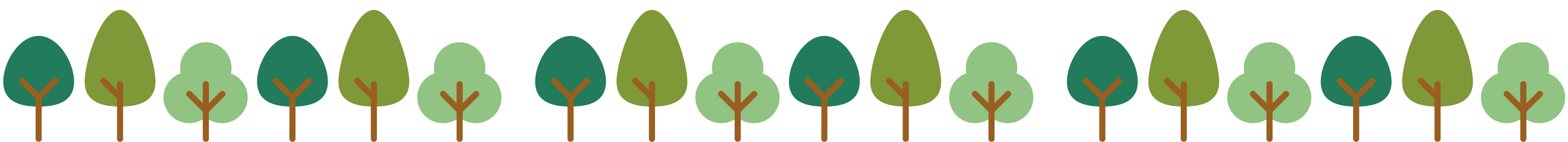


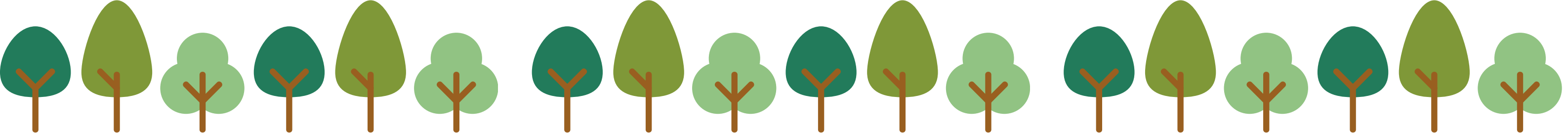
# Free Trees for Babies

## Tree Species List 25/26

You can choose your preferred type of tree from the following list of available trees. Please note that we will try to provide you with the type of tree you choose but it will depend on demand. Trees available:

Field maple  
Hawthorn  
Bird cherry  
Crab apple  
Rowan





## Rowan (*Sorbus aucuparia*)



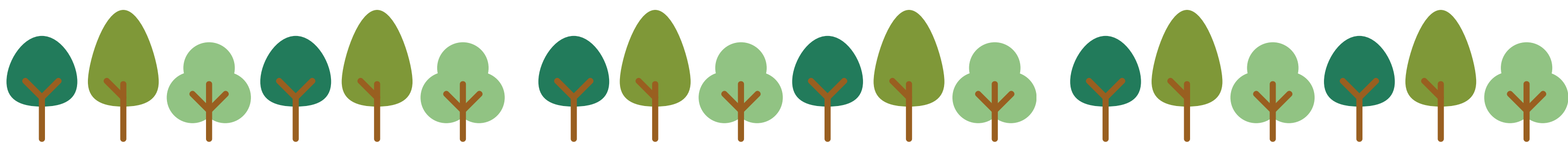
The rowan is a perfect garden tree with beautiful blossom and lovely red berries in autumn. Bees love the blossom, and its leaves and berries are a favourite for wildlife. Birds love the berries.

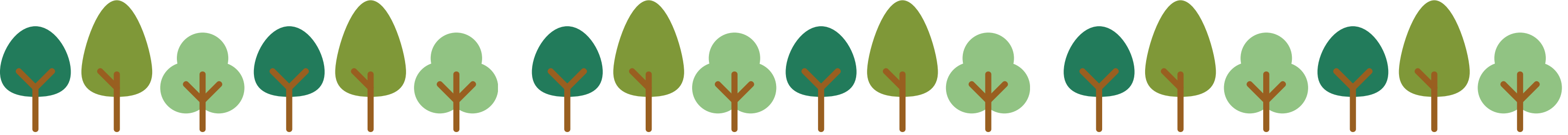
Rowan was once widely planted by houses as a protection against witches!

Rowans need very little attention after they've become established. You may need to cut back suckering shoots coming from the base of the tree.

Approx. mature height: 10 – 15 m

Approx. mature spread: 6m - 8m





# Hawthorne (*Crataegus monogyna*)



Mature trees can reach a height of 15m and are characterised by their dense, thorny habit, though they can grow as a small tree with a single stem.

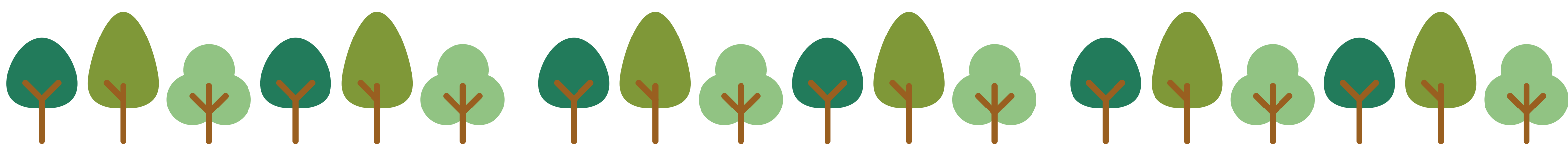
The bark is brown-grey, knotted and fissured, and twigs are slender and brown and covered in thorns.

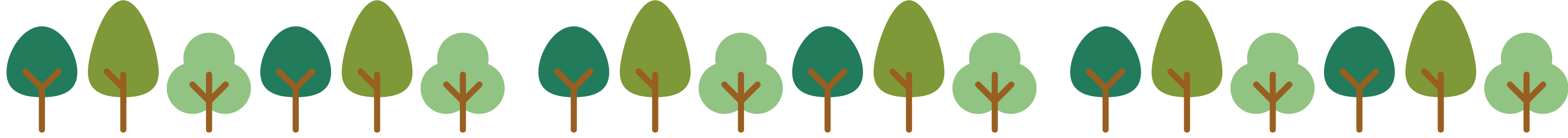
Hawthorns are deciduous plants with simple leaves that are usually toothed or lobed. The white or pink flowers, usually in clusters, are followed by small applelike berries that range from red to orange to blue or black.

The fruits vary in flavour and texture but are edible and sometimes used in herbal medicine.

Approx. mature height: 10 – 15 m

Approx. mature spread: 6m - 8m





# Field Maple (*Acer campestre*)



Field maple is the UK's only native maple tree. Found growing in woods and hedgerows, it's a medium-sized, deciduous tree with a rounded, bushy crown. It has attractive lobed leaves that turn golden yellow in autumn. Tiny flowers in spring are followed by winged fruits.

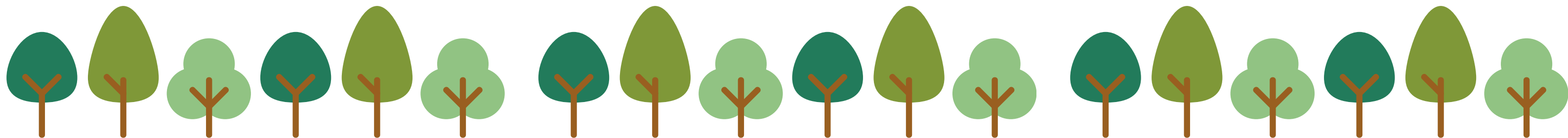
As a British native, it is excellent for wildlife: its leaves attract ladybirds and hoverflies. The caterpillars of several species of moth feed on its leaves, and bees and other pollinators visit its flowers. It's tolerant of pollution and exposed sites.

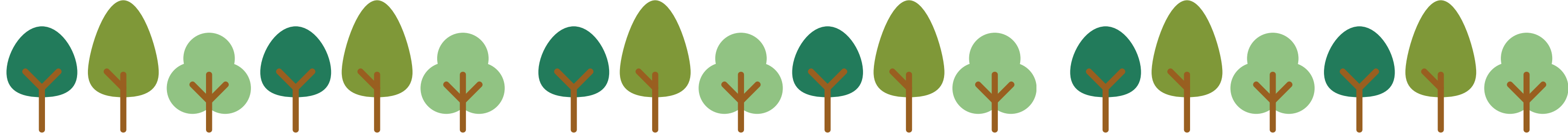
Grow Field maple in any moist but well drained soil, in sun or partial shade. Field maple grown as a tree does not need pruning, but it can be pruned in early winter to keep it at the desired height.

A medium-sized deciduous tree with a compact bushy crown. It is suitable for a medium sized garden.

Approx. mature height: 7m-12m

Approx. mature spread: 3m – 6m





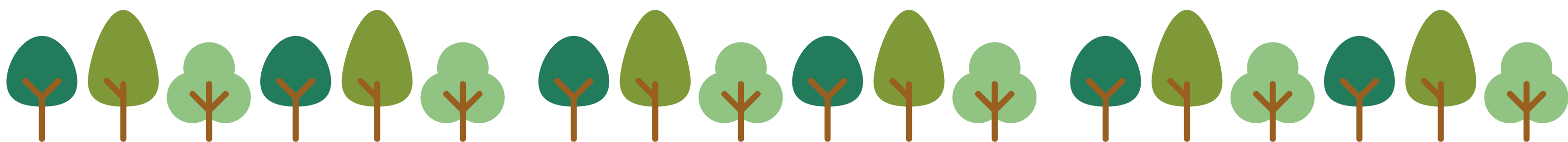
## Bird cherry (Prunus Padus)

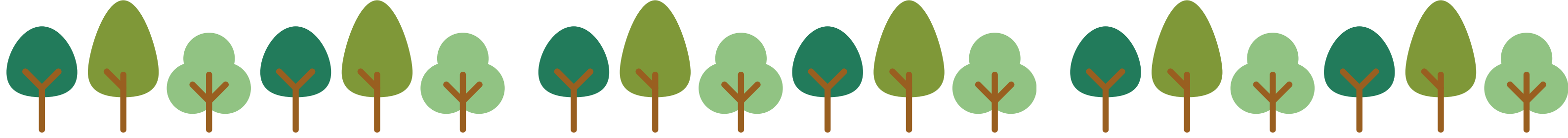


Bird Cherry is an attractive flowering native tree with almond scented flowers in May which are held on long slender racemes and provide an early source of nectar and pollen for bees. These turn into small black bitter fruits which are eaten by birds. Good orange yellow leaf colour in autumn.

Approx. mature height: 10m – 15m

Approx. mature spread: 5m – 10m





## Crab Apple (*Malus sylvestris*)



Our native Crab apple is a pretty tree with abundant white flower in the spring followed by red flushed fruits in the autumn which are great for wildlife. Green summer leaves turn a crisp yellow in the autumn before falling.

A symbol of fertility and a forager's delight. Crab apple trees are associated with love and marriage and its small, hard fruits make an exquisite, jewel-coloured jelly.

*Malus* is best suited to heavy soils, including clay, and make fine small trees for most gardens. Crab apple tolerates a hard prune if required although generally needs little maintenance.

Approx. mature height: 8m-10m

Approx. mature spread: 5m - 10m

