



## BE A SPRING PLANT DETECTIVE - SPOT THE FLOWER TREASURES



Wild flowers loiter beside hedges, lurk beneath trees, bask in the grass, nestle in walls - they're everywhere

**Celandine**



Celandines have more petals than buttercups. In Narnia, they flowered when Aslan returned.

**Bluebell**



Bluebells are protected by law. Please don't walk on them - they take years to recover.

**Cow parsley**



Cow parsley is also known as Queen Anne's lace. One plant can produce 10000 tiny seeds.

**Daisy**



Daisies move their heads to face the sun. Henry VIII ate daisies to cure his stomach ulcers.

**Lords and Ladies**



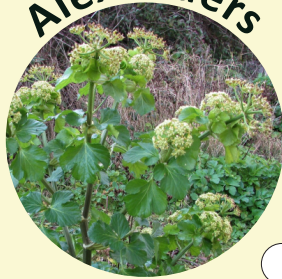
Lords and ladies are poisonous but they taste so bad, nobody could eat enough to be hurt.

**White dead nettle**



Dead nettles look like stingers but wouldn't hurt a fly. It's said that fairies leave their slippers under the flowers.

**Alexanders**



The Romans brought this mediterranean plant to Britain. They used it to cook with, like celery.

**Buttercup**



The curved buttercup petals reflect light into the centre of the flower, making it a warm place for chilly insects.

**Violet**



The leaves of violets shelter small animals and insects. For people in Victorian times, they symbolised love.

### WHY ARE FLOWERS TREASURE?

Flowers feed and shelter the amazing insects that pollinate crops, control pests and act as food for birds and other animals.

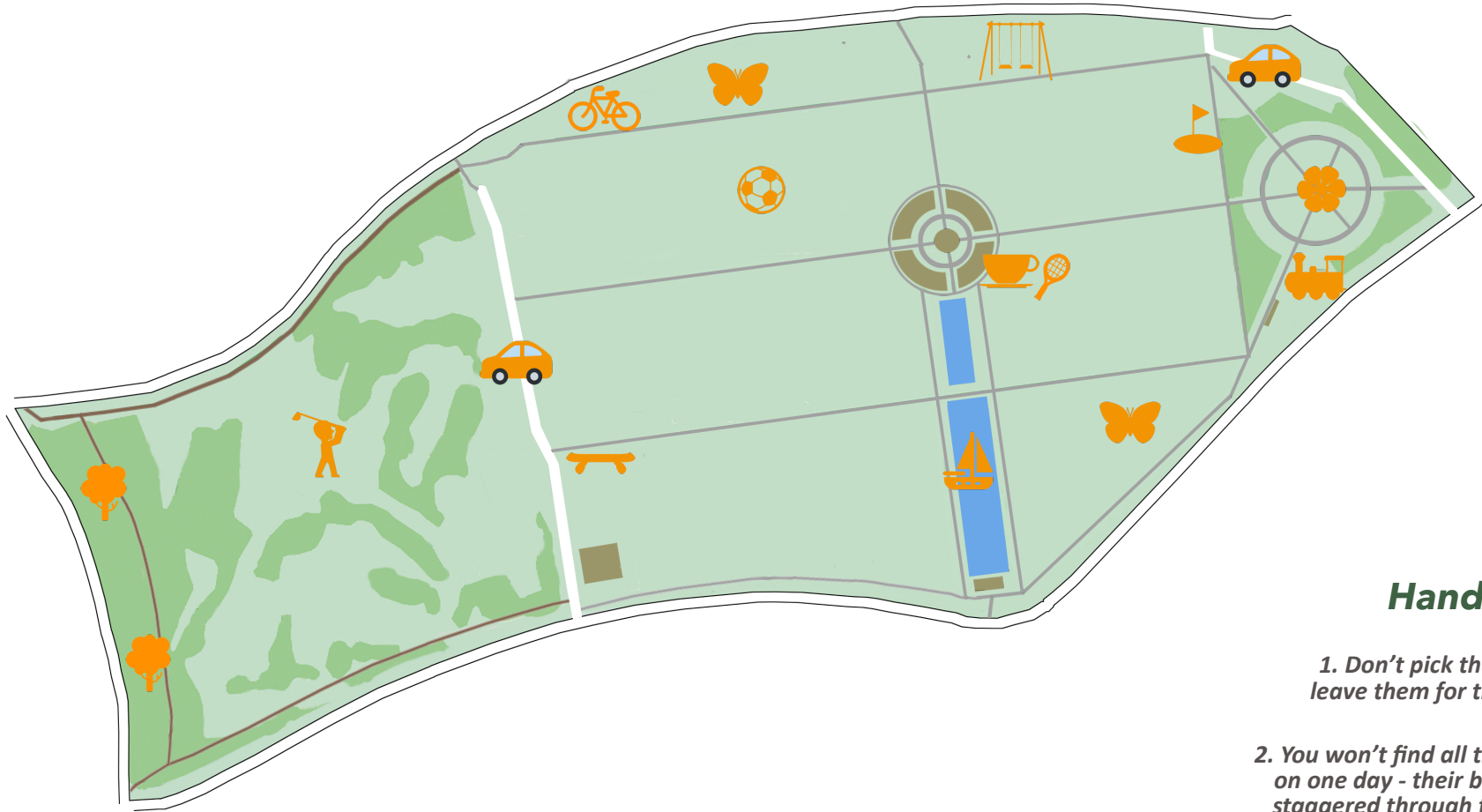
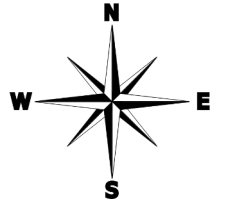
Flowers are beautiful and mysterious - there's far more to them than meets the eye.

### INSTRUCTIONS

*When you find a flower, put a tick in the small white circle beside its picture and mark it on the map overleaf.*



## PLANT DETECTIVES - MARK YOUR FINDS ON THE TREASURE MAP



### Handy hints

1. Don't pick the flowers - leave them for the insects.
2. You won't find all the flowers on one day - their blooming is staggered through the spring.
3. There are wild flowers in the park that aren't on this sheet. How many you can find?



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