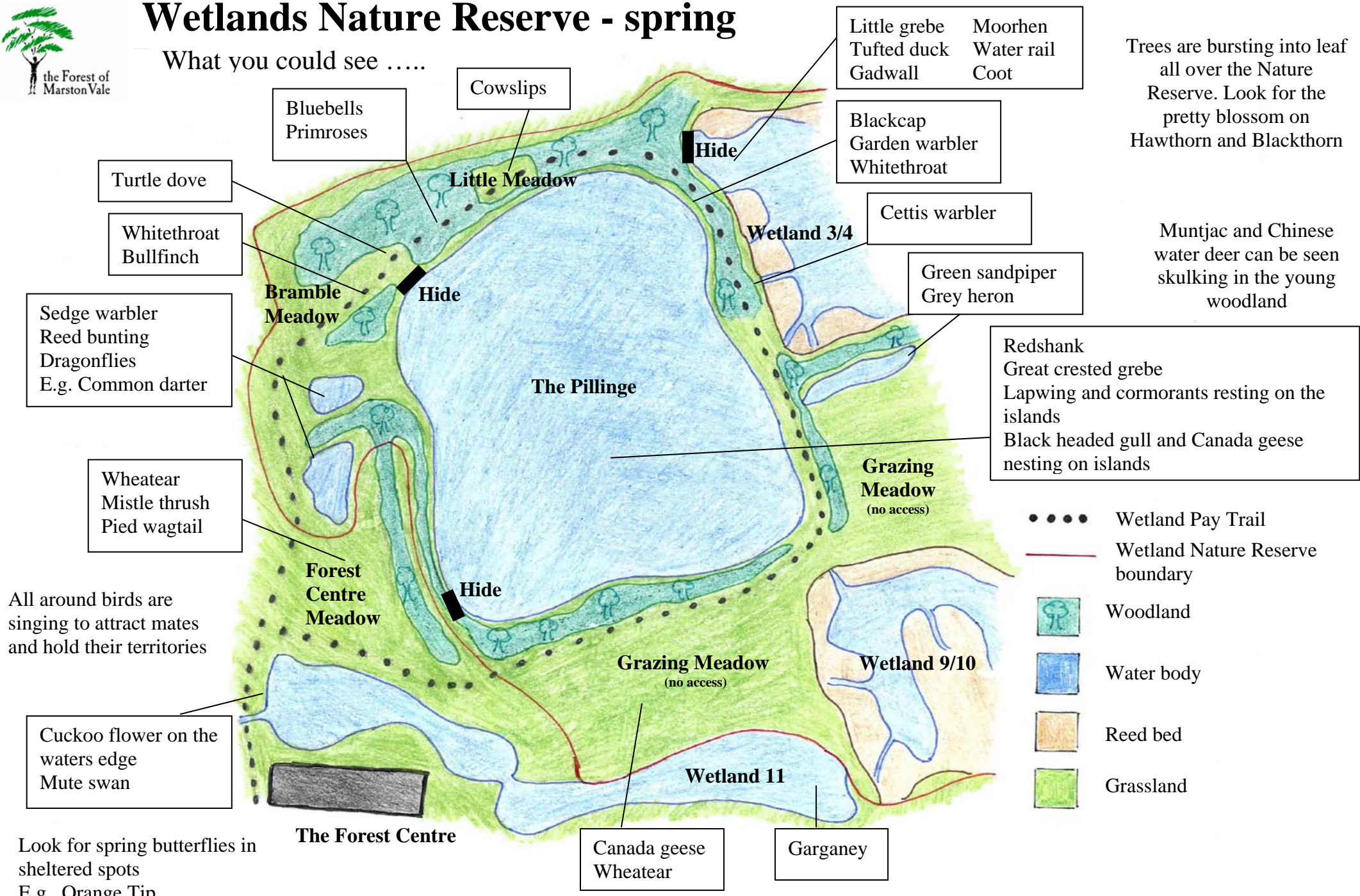




# Wetlands Nature Reserve - spring

What you could see .....



Little grebe  
Tufted duck  
Gadwall  
Moorhen  
Water rail  
Coot

Trees are bursting into leaf all over the Nature Reserve. Look for the pretty blossom on Hawthorn and Blackthorn

Bluebells  
Primroses

Cowslips

Blackcap  
Garden warbler  
Whitethroat

Turtle dove

Little Meadow

Cettis warbler

Whitethroat  
Bullfinch

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Green sandpiper  
Grey heron

Muntjac and Chinese water deer can be seen skulking in the young woodland

Sedge warbler  
Reed bunting  
Dragonflies  
E.g. Common darter

Bramble Meadow

Redshank  
Great crested grebe  
Lapwing and cormorants resting on the islands  
Black headed gull and Canada geese nesting on islands

Wheatear  
Mistle thrush  
Pied wagtail

The Pillinge

Grazing Meadow  
(no access)

All around birds are singing to attract mates and hold their territories

Forest Centre Meadow

- Wetland Pay Trail
- Wetland Nature Reserve boundary
- Woodland
- Water body
- Reed bed
- Grassland

Cuckoo flower on the waters edge  
Mute swan

Grazing Meadow  
(no access)

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The Forest Centre

Canada geese  
Wheatear

Garganey

Look for spring butterflies in sheltered spots  
E.g. Orange Tip  
Comma  
Peacock

The Wetlands Trail is an easy to follow level walk of around 2km. It is an interesting mix of woodland, grassland, reed beds and water bodies with plenty to see and hear as you walk round. The small charge for entering the Wetlands Nature Reserve contributes to the management of this area for nature conservation. Strictly no dogs or bicycles.