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Bird’s foot trefoil. Lotus corniculatus
The orangy-red buds change to yellow when the flower opens – these colours led to its common name of “eggs and bacon”. “Trefoil” means three leaflets in the leaf and there are two extra bits below which look like leaflets but aren’t! The seed pods look clawed like a bird’s foot. It is found in grassy places. Lots of butterflies and bees rely on it for nectar or to lay their eggs. When I found it:

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Cleavers Galium aparine
Cleavers has tiny hairs like little hooks all along its stem and leaves - they help the plant stick onto and grow up other plants. They stick onto your clothes too! Use your hand-lens to see the tiny white flowers with four petals. The leaves are ringed around the stem in groups of 6-8. The plant can be found in gardens, hedgerows, woodland and waste areas. Another name for cleavers is “goosegrass” When I found it:

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Elder Sambucus nigra
These creamy-white flowers are found on a small tree. Many tiny individual flowers make a flat flower-head 10-30 cm across. The leaves are made up of 5-7 pairs of leaflets (smaller leaves). The flowers smell sweet, but the leaves smell horrendous when picked! Elder is often found in hedgerows, wasteland and on the edge of the woods. Elderflowers are used to make drinks and the berries can be made into wine When I found it:

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Ox-eye daisy Leucanthemum vulgare
This pretty flower is found in meadows, grassy verges and in open areas of woodland. The flower is like a very big daisy but it's taller (up to 90cm) and doesn’t smell as nice! The lower leaves are oval but the leaves growing up the stem are longer and have little teeth at the edges. Its white petals can glow in the moonlight, so some people call it “moonflower”. When I found it:

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Meadow buttercup Ranunculus acris
The yellow flowers have five petals held on a smooth stalk and the sepals are held upright, so this is Meadow buttercup and not one of the other kinds! The leaves are divided into 3-7 lobes and its quite tall, up to 1m. Meadow buttercup is found in grassy places. If you hold a flower under a friend’s chin the yellow reflection is meant to show they like butter! When I found it:

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