



**Botanical
Society of
Britain &
Ireland**

Christmas message from BSBI President: click [here](#) to read Chris's message for Christmas 2018, focused mainly on - you guessed it - herbaria!

Message about herbaria from the BSBI President

"Herbaria are one of [the most fantastic botanical resources I know](#). And one of the most under-used and under-appreciated.

What better way to spend a cold winter's day than [checking out those difficult to separate species](#) in an herbarium, whether [large or small](#). Or admiring, perhaps with a certain horror at the number of specimens, the [rare plants one has never seen in the wild](#). Or [in some cases](#) maybe never will because they've all ended up on herbarium sheets!

Many local herbaria are themselves [on the](#)



Visiting herbaria

Many herbaria welcome botanists who wish to visit their collections, but you do need to contact them in advance to arrange your visit.

Use the list (see 'Contact details for herbaria', below left) to get in touch.

We'd be happy to publish your report on your herbarium visit on the [BSBI News & Views](#) blog - email Chris to discuss

Resources

Nice [blogpost from February 2019](#) by trainee herbarium curator Imogen on her experience behind the scenes at the Horniman. Published on the excellent [NatSCA](#) blog.

Arthur Chater's guide to [collecting and pressing a herbarium specimen](#)

The [BSBI Code of Conduct](#) offers guidance on what you can (and can't) collect for a herbarium.

Some [helpful tips from the Herbarium](#) at Univ. Leicester

Suggestions on [where to buy herbarium materials](#) and avoid pests & diseases - help-sheet from Univ. Leicester Herbarium

Article on [herbaria under threat](#) from BBC website, 1st December 2018



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AYBY	6000	Buckinghamshire County Museum	Buckinghamshire County Museum	Aylesbury	Tring Road	Halton	HP22 5PJ	01296 624519	museumwebsiteenquiries@buckscc.gov
AYR	2600	MacLaurin Art Gallery & Rozelle House	MacLaurin Art Gallery & Rozelle H	Ayr	Monument Road		KA7 4NQ	01292 445447	Rozelle.House@south-ayrshire.gov.uk
BBSUK		British Bryological Society	British Bryological Society	Cardiff	National Museum of W	Cathays Park	CF10 3NP	029 2039 7951	biosyb@nmgw.ac.uk
BDK		North Herts Museums Service	North Herts Museums Service	Hitchin	Resources Centre	Bury Mead Road	SG5 1RT	01462 435197	northhertsmuseum@north-herts.gov.uk
BED		Bedford Natural History & Archaeological Society	Bedford Museum	Bedford	Castle Lane		MK40 3XD	01234 353323	bmuseum@bedford.gov.uk
BEL	90000	Ulster Museum	Ulster Museum	Belfast	[In storage]				angela.ross@nmni.com
BERW		Berwick-upon-Tweed Museum	Berwick-upon-Tweed Borough Mu	Berwick-upon-Tweed	The Clock Block	Ravensdowne B	TD15 1DQ		
BEX		Bexhill Museum	Bexhill Museum	Bexhill-on-Sea	Egerton Road		TN39 3HL	01424 787950	museum@rother.gov.uk
BHDL	6 vols	Wirral Central Area Reference Library	Birkenhead Central Library	Birkenhead	Borough Road		CH41 2XB		birkenheadreflib@wirral.gov.uk
BIRA	60000	Birmingham Museum & Art Gallery	Birmingham Museum & Art Galler	Birmingham	Chamberlain Square		B3 3DH	0121 303 4510	lukas.large@birminghammuseums.org.uk
BIRM	150000	University of Birmingham	University of Birmingham	Birmingham	School of Biosciences	PO Box 363	B15 2TT		
BM	5200000	British Museum (Natural History)	Natural History Museum (London)	London	Dept. of Botany	Cromwell Road	SW7 5BD	020 7942 5118	j.hunnex@nhm.ac.uk
BMH	7000	Bournemouth Natural Science Society Museum	Bournemouth Natural Science So	Bournemouth	39 Christchurch Road		BH1 3NS	01202 553525	contact@bnss.org.uk
BOD	1 vol	Bodleian Library	Bodleian Library	Oxford	Broad Street		OX1 3BG		rarebooks@bodley.ox.ac.uk
BON	5300	Bolton Museum & Art Gallery	Bolton Museum & Art Gallery	Bolton	Le Mans Crescent		BL1 1SE	01204 338 765	don.stenhouse@bolton.gov.uk
BPL	3500	North Devon Athenaeum (Rock Trust)	Museum of Barnstaple & North D	Barnstaple	The Square		EX32 8LN	01271 346 747	museum@northdevon.gov.uk
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BRFL	2 vols pressed plants	City of Birmingham Reference Library	Birmingham Central Library	Birmingham	Chamberlain Square		B3 3HQ	0121 303 4217	archives@birmingham.gov.uk
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Eyebrights (*Euphrasia*) of the UK And Ireland

C. Metherell and F.J. Rumsey

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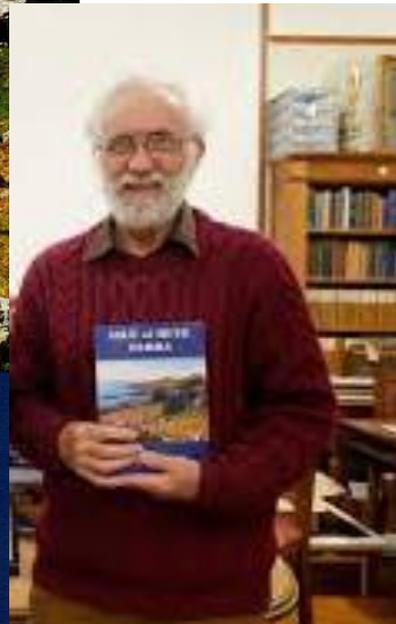




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New Year Plant Hunt

The ninth BSBI New Year Plant Hunt will run from 1st to 4th January 2020. A huge thank you to everyone who has taken part in previous years: you are helping us build up a clearer picture of how wild and naturalised plants are responding to changes in autumn and winter weather patterns across Britain & Ireland.

Results and analysis 2019:

BSBI's Head of Science [Dr Kevin Walker](#) has looked at all the 2019 results and here is his [2019 NYPH analysis](#).

On our [2018-9 Results](#) page you can see an interactive map, images, stats, most frequently recorded plants and longest lists.

The 2019 NYPH press release is available [here](#).

Short interview about NYPH [here](#) with John Humphrys on BBC Radio 4 Today



After the Hunt is over....

If you want to carry on spotting wildflowers in bloom after the [New Year Plant Hunt](#) is over, why not take part in [Wild Flower Hour?](#)

Follow the 2018-9 Hunt!

New Year Plant Hunt records and photos on Twitter [#newyearplanthunt](#) and on [Instagram](#).

Daily highlights from 29th December onwards on the [BSBI News & Views](#) blog.

Day One highlights [here](#).

Day Two highlights [here](#).

Day Three highlights [here](#).

Day Four highlights [here](#).





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623,426 – Mick Crawley

568,379 – Paul Green







Thank You

Enjoy the Day