



Cowslip



Cut-throat Wood



Comma



Brimstone



Early purple orchid

RESERVE FACTS

About 8 hectares in area *comprising* Holtspur Bank, a dry chalk grassland valley 4 hectares in area **and** Cut-throat Wood- 4 hectares of mixed trees

Overall

- 500 species of wildlife recorded
- Over 130 species of wild flowers
- 29 species of butterflies and 149 of moths
- Rare woodland flowers
- Abundant cowslips and pyramidal orchids
- Presence of the rare dormouse
- Adjacent to other species-rich habitats
- Regular guided walks of the reserve
- ***Friends of Holtspur Bank***
- local volunteers

RESERVE MANAGEMENT

Habitat improvement for wild flowers and Butterflies *by*

- Clearance of invasive scrub
- Annual grazing of long grass by sheep
- Work parties by the ***Friends***
- Coppicing of hazel
- Footpath clearance
- Stile, bench and step construction
- Annual cowslip survey
- Erection of dormice boxes
- Anti-deer measures to protect early purple orchids