

## Hawthorn - *Crataegus monogyna*



### Description

Hawthorn is a shrub or small tree that frequently forms a part of hedgerows. Leaves are triangular and deeply lobed, flowers are small and white and display in early summer, fruits (known as 'haws') ripen to red in late summer/early autumn. The twigs hold the characteristic 1-2cm long thorns.

Despite the high 'R' value, hawthorn is found on rich acid to basic soils, sometimes forming part of dense scrub spinneys in W21 communities. It can also be found within W8-10 woodlands.

### Soil regimes

<b>Soil reaction (R)</b>	7
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<b>Nitrogen availability (N)</b>	6
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