

# *Calluna vulgaris* – Heather



## **Plant description**

Heather is an evergreen woody dwarf-shrub with 1-2mm long, 3 sided leaves. The characteristic pink-purple flowers are positioned on the leaf tips, typically 4mm long.

## **What does this tell me about my woodland?**

Heather is a common indicator of acid soils likely to be deficient in nitrogen. Grows in peat and other moist but well drained soils.

**pH** – Acid

**Occurs in NVC Communities** – W16, W17, W18