A Wood Of Our Own
By Julian Evans

*A Wood of Our Own* takes us on a journey of discovery into the history and development of a small corner of our countryside and evokes the beauty of our natural surroundings. Caring for the wood and its natural inhabitants using both ancient and modern skills, Evans experiences the evolving cycle of woodland life and encourages us to appreciate our environment first hand in all seasons and all climates.

Author Julian Evans has worked with woodlands for 25 years and was the Forestry Commission’s Chief Research Officer for much of this time. When in 1985 he decided to buy his own small wood in north Hampshire, he was fulfilling every forester’s dream.

Finely illustrated by forester John White, and with a foreword by Alan Titchmarsh, *A Wood of Our Own* is engaging, informative and entertaining – aimed at everybody who enjoys the countryside.

An entertaining and personal account of the realisation of every forester’s ambition - ownership of a woodland - aimed at everybody who enjoys the countryside. Anecdote, natural history and professional wisdom are combined in an enthralling account told with humour and devotion.
What people are saying about A WOOD OF OUR OWN

In 1985, Julian Evans fulfilled every forester’s ambition and bought his own wood with his wife and brother-in-law. A Wood Of Our Own, is his personal story of how he acquired his own small mixed woodland in north Hampshire, how he, his family and friends care for it using ancient and modern skills, and the drama of two great storms. The observations are beautifully detailed, the stories are engaging and the book is full of useful information for woodlanders and natural historians alike. There is a magical atmosphere that runs throughout, a mixture of practical knowledge, anecdote and a passion for woodlands, enhanced by fine line drawings, that makes it both highly informative and a joy to read.

Maddy Harland, editor Permaculture magazine

How anyone, after reading this book, could not have a hankering to own and work a woodland is beyond me. Compulsory reading for anyone interested in trees and the countryside and a wonderful present.

Geoff Godschalk, Trees are News

Not a dry reference book ... it is more a diary of woodland events, entertainingly described and forming almost a microcosm of the wider forestry world ... laced with humour and anecdote. Here then is a highly readable book packed with useful fact, humour and reminiscence. It would appeal to foresters, farmers, woodland owners, in fact anyone with an interest in forestry who is weary of textbooks and enjoys a good fireside read.

Chris Hughes, Association of Professional Foresters Newsletter

Attractively produced and written with infectious enthusiasm

Duff Hart-Davis, The Independent

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