

ELM TREES

A chance to restore them to our countryside.



Many of us over the age of 60 will remember the elms, the iconic tree of the shires - massive statuesque trees in the hedgerows and clumps in the fields. They held the noisy rookeries and were the classic backdrop to so many rural activities ably captured in those old pictures of English life. They provided the food for many fungi and insects such as the White letter Hairstreak butterfly

Sadly in the early 1970's they were nearly all dead, struck down by Dutch Elm Disease, a deadly fungus carried by a beetle that laid its eggs beneath the bark of the tree. The trees were cut down leaving a huge gap in any country dwellers mind

Now, elms which are resistant to this disease have been developed – a group of Herefordshire Tree Wardens lead by Tony Norman have been working on a plan to make these trees available for planting .

Several different varieties are available, all have very good resistance to Dutch Elm disease and will grow with a similar form to the trees of yesteryear. These are best planted in hedgerows or in positions where they can become features in our landscape.

Elm Tree Offer

European White Elm £10 (Plant anywhere esp. wet or waterlogged sites)

LUTECE £10 (plant in good or heavy soils –needs staking to start)

Wingham £12 (plant in good soils)

Fiorente £12 Available Dec (plant in good soils)

Ademuz £12 Available Dec (plant in good or heavy soils)

All prices subject to VAT

Payments to The Norman Partnership Sort Code 40 28 13

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Each tree will come with a free used 1.2 metre Tubex Guard (while they last)

If you are interested in purchasing any of these please contact:

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OR your Parish Tree Warden

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