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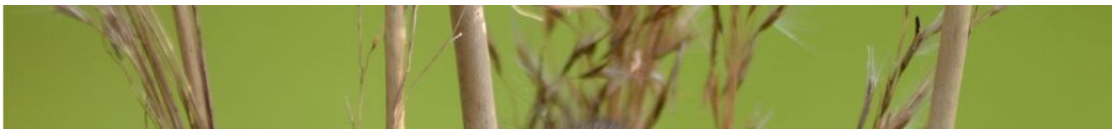
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In this edition

In this edition of News from Knepp: the wonderful **wildlife sightings of autumn**, our latest podcast celebrates **wild horses**; and **wreath-making workshops** to **wine tastings** and **Fireside Fridays**; plus, **be the first into nature in 2027**.

STORIES FROM THE WILDLAND





Autumn Walks with Wildlife

Autumn, like spring, is a wonderful time to see wildlife. As the grass dies back, harvest mice leave behind their summer nests – which you can still see, woven like tennis balls in the tall grass – and scurry around to find winter shelter in the tussocky base layer of our thorny scrub.

Knepp's ancient oaks draw in some of the UK's rarest bats, which are making the most of the last mild evenings. The long-eared Bechstein's bat roosts in old woodpecker holes and plucks insects straight from the leaves. The barbastelle, with its dark fur and pug-like face, hunts moths with quiet 'whispered' calls so its prey can't hear it coming, and is often the last to hibernate, tucked behind loose bark in old trees.

Keep your eyes out for redwings and fieldfares, arriving from Scandinavia to feast on our berry-laden hawthorn and blackthorn scrub, and woodcock, drawn from northern Europe by our damp, unploughed soils and thick cover. Our 16 miles of footpaths are still dry underfoot so do enjoy them before the winter mud, but please stay on them and keep dogs on leads. You can pick up a walking map at our Wilding Shop, open daily 9am–5pm and browse our nature-inspired products while you're there.

GET YOUR WALKING MAP



What Wild Horses Know

What makes a horse happy? In this month's episode of the Knepp Wilding Podcast, safari guide and resident pony expert Rina Quinlan takes us into the world of the Exmoor ponies. Observing the social dynamics of the herds at Knepp has revolutionised the way she understands and manages domesticated horses.

LISTEN TO THE PODCAST

WHAT'S ON



Saturday 28 November, 10am–12.30pm, £75pp |
Friday 4 December with lunch, 2pm–4.30pm, £100pp

Winter Wreath Workshop

Make your own beautiful Christmas wreath from dried flowers, seedheads and winter foliage sourced sustainably from Knepp with our in-house Florist Becy and Head Grower Sarah.



BOOK HERE



Saturday 21 November, 5pm–6.30pm & 7pm–8.30pm | Saturday 5 December, 5pm–6.30pm & 7pm–8.30pm, £15pp

Wine Tasting for Christmas

We love our wine! And we take huge care curating our celebrated selection of 60 organic and biodynamic wines. Choose the perfect wine for Christmas and New Year with Wilding Kitchen's sommelier and sample our range of delicious organic cheeses and Knepp's award-winning charcuterie, too. Buy any six bottles on the night and we'll take the price of your ticket off your order.

BOOK HERE



Friday 6 November – Friday 18 December, 6pm–10pm, £35pp

Fireside Fridays

Settle in for an evening with music and hearty, seasonal fare: house-made pies showcasing the best of the season, served with herby potatoes, sumac-spiced carrots, and greens fresh from our Market Garden.

BOOK HERE

BE THE FIRST INTO THE WILD IN 2027







A Wildland Safari

From purple emperors to white storks and beavers, discover wildlife at Knepp on a safari led by some of the UK's leading ecologists and naturalists.

BOOK HERE



A Garden Tour

A tour of the Rewilded Walled Garden is the perfect treat for keen gardeners. A memorable day out inspiring a new way of thinking about your own garden.

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