

# Observer's Marginalia



Marginalia recording date and location from a copy of *The Observer's Book of British Wild Flowers*. The publisher has not printed a date in the book, but this second title in the 'Pocket Series' first appeared in 1937, three years before the initial observation.

The owner has inscribed their name (illegibly) on the fly-leaf—dated 30th April 1940—two months after beginning to supplement the pages with records. Two hundred species of plant are illustrated and described, one per page, of which eighty-two are indicated as having been observed, over one hundred and twenty different occasions. The entries are made neatly in the margin at the foot of the page in either blue ink\*, green ink\*\*, black ink‡, or pencil§ (see tabulation opposite).

<p>of many flowers in the... into plummy tubs and jointly for... It is the only British fern but a large number of foreign flowers, are cultivated in our garden. Flowering from July to September. 11.5.40 S. ALBANY</p>	<p>It occurs in still waters, and completely covered with the flower. The Water Crowfoot is not a fern. The species is well distributed in the country and may be found in flower from May to June. 19.5.40 HENDON</p>	<p>statement are mentioned as one and the same. As in the Buttercups these form of stems, each containing a single capsule. The species is well distributed in the country and may be found in flower from May to June. 10.8.40 SHORHAM, HANTS 5.4.41 COLLEGE, WICK 29.8.41 CHURCHILL, WICK</p>	<p>slight... The seed capsule is slightly flattened above the top. The plants contain a milky latex. The flowering period is from July to September. 4.6.40 BISHOP 3.2.41 RUSSELL GREEN</p>	<p>longer and narrower. The seeds are... The flowering period is from July to September. RYE 2.4.40</p>	<p>appearance. In June the caterpillar is... Butterfly may be found feeding on the leaves. The flowers are... It flowers in May and June. 27.4.40 WESTERHAM 6.5.41 WESTERHAM</p>	<p>When ripe the seed-vesicle splits into two... In nature the plant varies greatly, according to the position in which it grows—a ground being only two or three inches high, while garden border it may be almost as many feet high. Flowering throughout the summer. 11.8.40 RYE 25.8.41 LITTLE HASELDEN</p>	
<p>number from four to nine, and... The flowers are... Flowering from March to June. 4.4.40 BARNSTAPLE 5.5.41 BARNSTAPLE</p>	<p>... Flowering from April to June. 11.5.40 LITTLE HASELDEN</p>	<p>The plant is perennial, and... Flowers are sometimes a... The flowering period is from March to May, but in some places it is found as late as August. WOODTON 5.4.40</p>	<p>... Flowering from May to August. 5.5.40 BISHOP</p>	<p>is situated at the base, the... It has formerly a great reputation... Flowering from April to June. 2.6.40 GREAT HAYDON 14.6.40 RUSSELL GREEN</p>	<p>four petals. The fruit is an... The flowering period is from July to September. 19.5.40 HENDON</p>	<p>... Flowering from June to August. 19.5.40 HENDON</p>	<p>... Flowering from March to May. 2.6.40 RYE 12.5.41 LITTLE HASELDEN</p>
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p.13-44; the double-page spreads are printed alternately in colour and in black and white, as are the books in the Observer series from this time.