

Native Black Poplar Project Update



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Clone Banks & Tree Nursery

Clone Banks:

Dedham Vale

Nowton Park

Jimmy's Farm

Ongoing development and clone diversification –
Barnes remnant wild population clones

Nursery:

Nowton Park

New nurseries – disease risk mitigation



Production volumes

Yr. 1 (22-23) – 130

Yr. 2 (23 / 24) – 270

Yr. 3 (24 / 25) – 550

Yr. 4 (25 / 26) – 500+

SBIS Database – Planting Record Forms (TWs have lowest form return rates!)

Ongoing Surveys & DNA Testing

Suffolk

Otter Trust FIPL grants – survey and DNA test NBPs in Suffolk Coast & Heaths NL, and Dedham Vale NL, ongoing: approx. 70 samples in total

National / Europe

Key contributor to Whole Genome Sequencing Project: Forest Research + Wellcome Sanger Institute (Darwin Tree of Life Project) + Univ. of Udine
175 UK trees to be sequenced and matched to European populations, to understand UK population genetics and inform future breeding programmes

The Future

Ongoing support to and development of East Anglia and National Projects, incl. national collection at NT Killerton, informed by WGS Project results

Black Poplars resonate with farmers and landowners

Species-specific projects can be successful









