



# Native Species Hedgerow Planting Guide

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Example of new hedge planting

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Common name	Botanical Name	% of Hedge Species
Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	40%
Blackthorn	<i>Prunus spinosa</i>	15%
Field Maple	<i>Acer campestre</i>	15%
Hazel	<i>Corylus avellana</i>	10%
Holly	<i>Ilex aquifolium</i>	5%
Guelder Rose	<i>Viburnum opulus</i>	5%
Dogwood	<i>Cornus sanguinea</i>	5%
Dog Rose	<i>Rosa canina</i>	5%

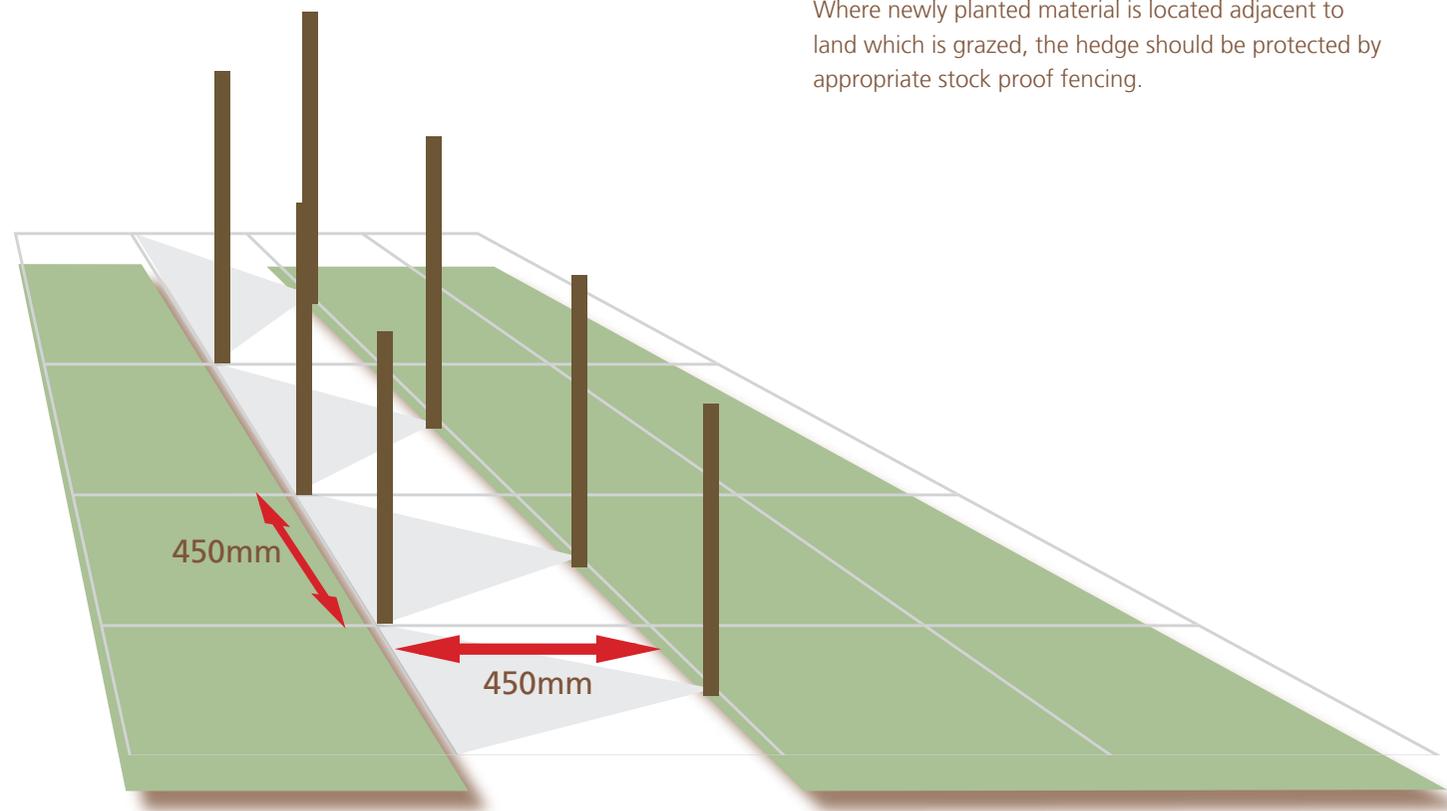
## INTRODUCTION

This note is intended for basic guidance only and suggests a choice of native plant species and percentage mixtures. This species choice and percentage mix will vary for each hedge, depending on its purpose or use. If an existing hedge is being reinforced, it may not be appropriate to plant all of the plants listed but merely to choose one or two species to match or complement those growing already. In addition, Hawthorn will be more suited to stock-proofing and Guelder Rose or Dogwood is more suited to an ornamental hedge. The species choice depends on the purpose.

## Planting details..

Plants should be approx. 60 to 90 cm tall and bare rooted except Holly which should be pot grown 35 to 45 cm tall.

Plant as a double staggered row at 450 mm centres and between the rows as shown below



## Once planted..

In all situations the newly planted material should be kept weed free and adequately watered during the summer, for a minimum of three years following planting. Grow tubes around each plant to protect them from rabbit damage, and a base of organic mulch, such as chipped bark, can be used to help initial establishment.

Where newly planted material is located adjacent to land which is grazed, the hedge should be protected by appropriate stock proof fencing.