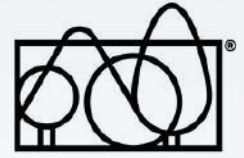


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**Plant something tiny,  
Grow something HUGE**





## Welcome to the Tiny Forest movement

Tiny Forest brings the benefits of woodland right into the heart of our cities and urban spaces: connecting people with nature, helping to mitigate the impacts of climate change, as well as providing a nature-rich habitat to support urban wildlife.

**A Tiny Forest is a dense, fast-growing native woodland of 600 trees that connects urban communities with nature, provides a home for wildlife and helps to combat climate change.**

These super tiny, super powerful forests are based on a unique forest management technique developed by the Japanese botanist Dr Akira Miyawaki and mimic the features of a traditional forest but in a really small space. This means that you don't need huge amounts of space and you can plant them anywhere that land is available – in a park or a school, next to a road or on a brownfield site.

Earthwatch Europe is pioneering Tiny Forest in the UK and is conducting research across the country to help understand how these tiny woods have the potential to be a powerful tool in the fight against climate change and habitat loss.

We work with partners – including businesses, local authorities, schools and communities – to plant and care for their Tiny Forests. Each forest is a unique public asset – planted, cared for and cherished by the local community.

**600 trees, endless possibilities!**







## **Tiny Forest – big numbers**

Since 2020, the Tiny Forest movement has

**planted 120,000 trees**

**across 200 forests**

**covering 40,000 m<sup>3</sup>**

**surveyed 9,543 times by volunteers**





# Tiny Forest. Giant Impact.

The Tiny Forest movement creates meaningful, biodiverse urban greenspace in urban communities. By focussing delivery on under-represented neighbourhoods, the Tiny Forest project can make a profound impact on communities with the least access to nature-rich green space.

Tiny Forests provide a publicly accessible place for people to relax, enjoy and appreciate nature in the built environment. The forests can support health and wellbeing through simple aesthetic value, actively watching wildlife, personal involvement in the project and as an educational resource or skills-building experience.

Tiny Forests create opportunities for people to come together as a community to care of and maintain their local forest. Increasing people's connection to nature through education, engagement and citizen science activities. The forests also help to raising awareness of the climate crisis and the importance of nature-based solutions in urban areas.



## Tiny Forests:

- Connect people with nature
- Mitigate the impacts of climate change
- Raise awareness of the environment
- Provide an urban wildlife refuge



## Earthwatch's role in creating Tiny Forests

Earthwatch works collaboratively with local authorities, communities and partners to create new Tiny Forests from planning all the way through to planting and ongoing monitoring and care of the forest. We engage communities to plant, maintain and monitor each forest over time. We help people to reconnect with nature and raise awareness of climate change. Once a forest is established, we work with volunteers to collect environmental and social data relating to every forest, to assess the benefits they provide over time.



## Not so tiny anymore

Earthwatch planted the UK's first Tiny Forest in March 2020. Since then, we have continued to plant more and more Tiny Forests across the country in collaboration with a wide range of amazing partners. This network of super tiny, super powerful community assets now stands at over 200 forests. By 2030, we want to see more than 500 Tiny Forests being established in the UK and Europe and cared for by their local communities. We aim to engage 100,000 people with our Tiny Forest network by 2030, with a continued focus on underserved communities in urban areas.







## Powerful partnerships

The Tiny Forest story has only been possible through the support of organisations right across the UK. By creating lasting partnerships, we aim to connect organisations with their local communities and the natural world.

“ Bringing people together, sustainability and creative use of space are all at the heart of MINI, making Earthwatch Europe the perfect partner to help us put these values into action. I am incredibly proud of the Tiny Forests we've planted so far, the green space they offer communities and their positive sustainable impact.

**Federico Izzo, Director at  
Mini UK & Ireland**

“ Fever-Tree is delighted to continue our partnership with All Bar One to further the Tiny Forest movement in the UK. Conservation is central to our sustainability pledge to work with nature, not against it and we are excited about helping to connect our consumers and communities with nature through Tiny Forest.

**James Archer, Head of  
Sustainability at Fever-Tree**





# Supporting a Tiny Forest

By investing in the Tiny Forest movement your business would:

- Partner with Earthwatch to create a new Tiny Forest which your organisation can brand.
- Provide a volunteer or team building day for your staff and/or community (typically 40-100 people) to plant the Tiny Forest. The enjoyable planting day includes an environmental education session.
- Build capacity of the Tiny Forest Tree Keeper Team, engaging 4-5 employees/community members as “Tree Keepers” (1hr/month required mostly in spring/summer to water and weed for first two years).
- Engage your staff and/or your community in citizen science monitoring activities to raise awareness and collect valuable data on urban nature-based solutions for climate change.
- Contribute to the Tiny Forest research programme giving you scientific data to use in your reporting and communications.







Your tiny adventure starts here...

We hope that you're inspired to join the Tiny Forest movement and we'd love to hear from you. To start your tiny adventure, get in touch with us at [development@earthwatch.org.uk](mailto:development@earthwatch.org.uk)