

NATIVE SCOTTISH TREES

DID YOU KNOW?

The peak for Scotland's woodlands was about 5,000 years ago, when tree cover and diversity was at its greatest extent

Perth & Kinross is home to the Fortingall Yew. Estimated to be perhaps 5,000 years old, it is the UK's oldest tree and probably the oldest living thing in Europe.

The Forest of Alyth was designated as a royal hunting reserve in the 12th century

Trees in a forest can 'talk' and share nutrients through an underground internet built by soil fungi:
https://www.ted.com/talks/suzanne_simard_how_trees_talk_to_each_other/transcript?language=en

In Norse mythology, it is said that the Rowan tree is the tree from which the first woman was made, (the first man being made from the ash tree). In Scotland in particular, the Rowan tree also has a deep association with cattle and sprigs of Rowan would be pinned inside cowsheds and byres to protect both the dairy herds and their produce.