



Forestry England

Cool Conifers!

Conifer potions

Conifer needles often have a very distinct and pleasant smell. Think about the smell of your tree at Christmas!

Next time you're out for a winter walk, collect different conifer needles that have fallen or blown down in the wind. Crush or tear them and mix together to make a fresh smelling winter potion.



Winter science

During winter, deciduous trees lose their leaves to save energy and survive the cold months. Conifers, however, keep most of their needle-shaped leaves over the winter. Their long thin shape means they can handle the wind and many of them have a built-in resin to stop them from freezing.