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An indicator species of ancient woodland and used in the past to make spindles for wool. Now brightening up our lanes and hedgerows.

# **Prolific fungi**

Like parachutes. showering down! Porcelain fungi on a beech tree.

## Starling murmuration Starlings are on the critical at risk list of UK birds, but Frensham **Great Pond is**



host to stunning murmurations at sunset!



Were you up

early enough to

see any of the

Churt sunrises

sensational

November?

in early

Sensational sunrises

### Late blooms

The mild weather has prompted plenty of late blooms. Here a Magnolia grandiflora decides to bloom again in November.

# **Ready for** Christmas? of holly berries this year but

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Pale Tussock



# Moth caterpillar This caterpillar was reputed to cause

allergic reactions on hoppickers. This one was out looking for somewhere to pupate in the Punchbowl.



# The holly is! Lots

hardly any acorns on the oaks.

# use in Asia. Autumn

colours

hedgerows

currently. The

oaks have just

started to turn too.

So much colour

in our trees and

Artist's fungus

A huge Ganoderma

dead beech. A bracket

Applanatum on a

fungus with a long

history of medicinal