

## Endangered Culture Crested Cow Wheat



This annual and colourful woodland plant is currently extremely rare in the UK, now predominantly found in East Anglia.

A semi-parasitic plant, it tops up its resources from many host plants as well as uses wood ants to disperse its seeds by mimicking the ant's cocoon.

As the traditional method of woodland management - also known as coppicing - has ceased, this previously widespread plant has dramatically declined in population.

### Prompts:

- How would you use this practice in your community if it really existed?
- Consider how the crisis is affecting the animal, plant or land you are taking care of?
- What would a future that nourished and protected your plant, animal or land look like? Imagine three ways your tomorrow would be different to today's reality.