

# MAGICAL PLANTS TO LOOK FOR DURING SPRING

## BLACKTHORN

Traditionally used to make clubs and walking sticks

Very sharp spines that can infect any wounds they inflict

Known to house 'The Little People' in Ireland

Magical uses:  
Protection, banishing, making 'wishing rods'



## CLEAVERS



Magical uses:  
Binding spells, determination and persistence spells.

Tends to monopolise the area it grows in

Many medicinal uses, inc. cleansing, skin healing and diuretics.

Hooks onto (cleaves on to) anything that brushes past (hence the name Cleavers)

## DAISY

Known as Daisy (Day's Eye) because it only opens its petals during the day

Medicinally similar to arnica (soothe bruises and skin problems)

Daisy chains are a west country charm to protect against The Fae

Magical uses:  
Attracts love, encourages flirtation and cheerfulness.



## DANDELION



Magical uses:  
Wart charming, message sending, calling spirits, enhancing psychic powers.

Dandelion (From the French Dent De Lion - 'Lions' teeth' on account of the serrated leaves)

Many medicinal uses, especially cleansing and diuretics.

Seed heads act like barometers and will close up when rain is near

## GORSE



The flowers smell like coconut when blossoming

Tradition held that witches lived under gorse bushes

Medical uses include flea-repelling and as a general health tonic

Magical uses:  
Protection (especially against the Fae), money-drawing, happiness.