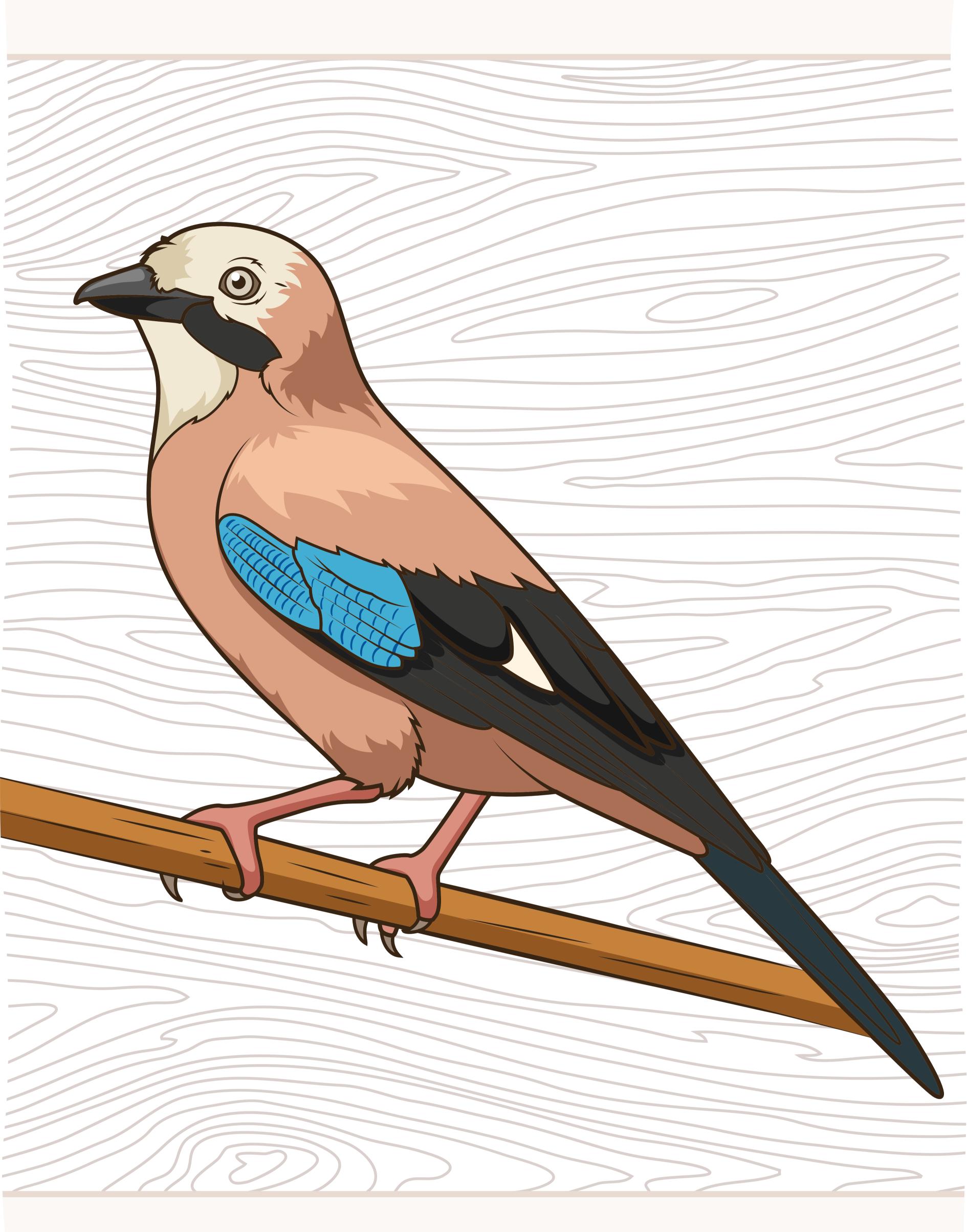
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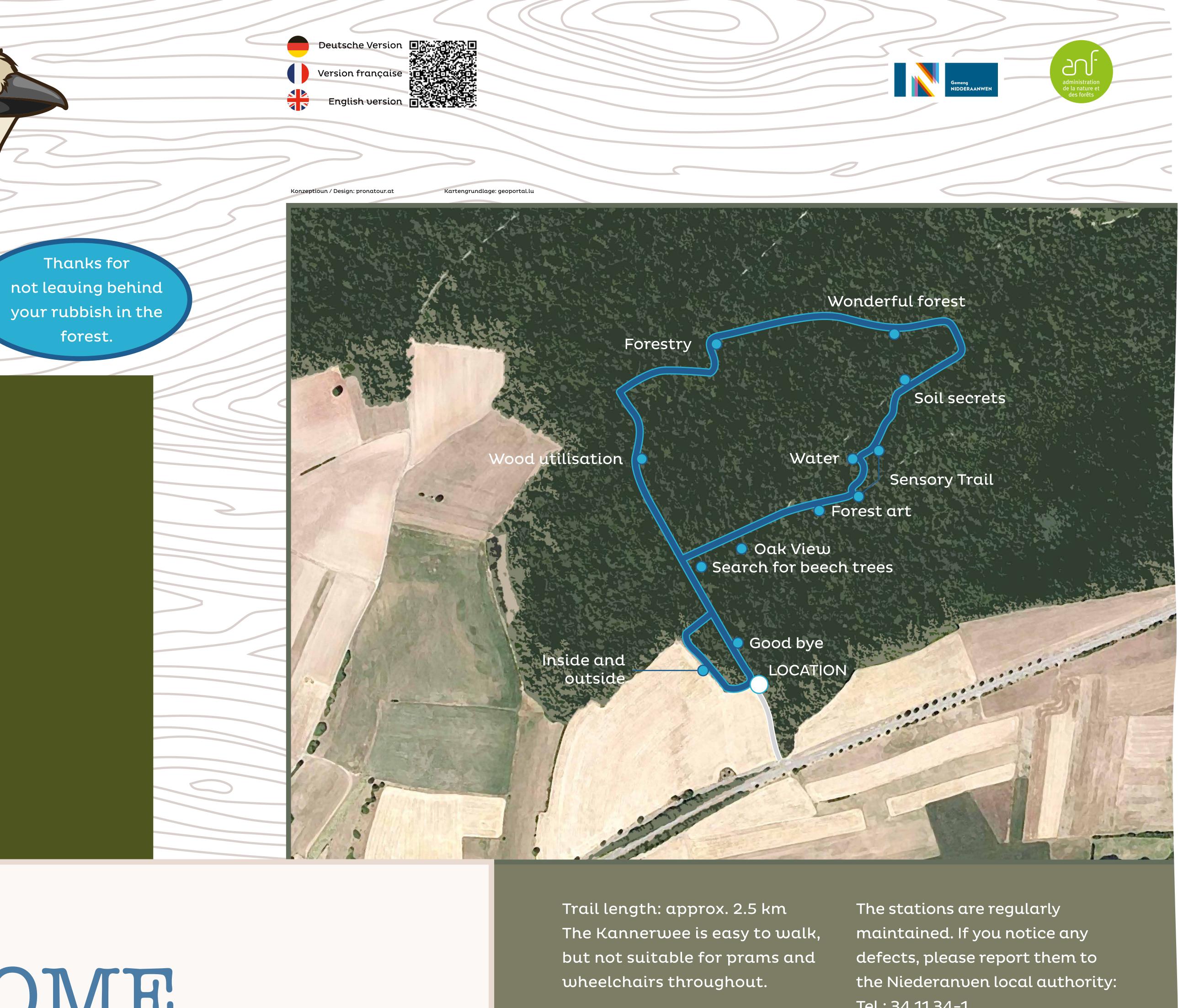
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Hello, nice to receive you at my place! I'm the jay and I'll show you my home, the forest, on the Kannerwee!

Be very quiet! Then you will discover much more.

There are many acorns lying on the ground along the Kannerwee. Pick one up! You will need it at the end of the path.

WELCOME



Tel.: 34 11 34-1 E-mail: info@niederanven.lu Many things are different in the forest than outside. What changes?

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Which plants grow where?

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INSIDE AND OUTSIDE

Can you feel the wind? Where is it warmer? These are beech blossoms.

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Even from a distance you can recognise beech trees by their grey trunks.

How many corners a beechnut has?

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Beeches can grow as high as a church steeple.

Turn my pen and see where it stops! There is the Beech leaves are smooth. They have no serrations.

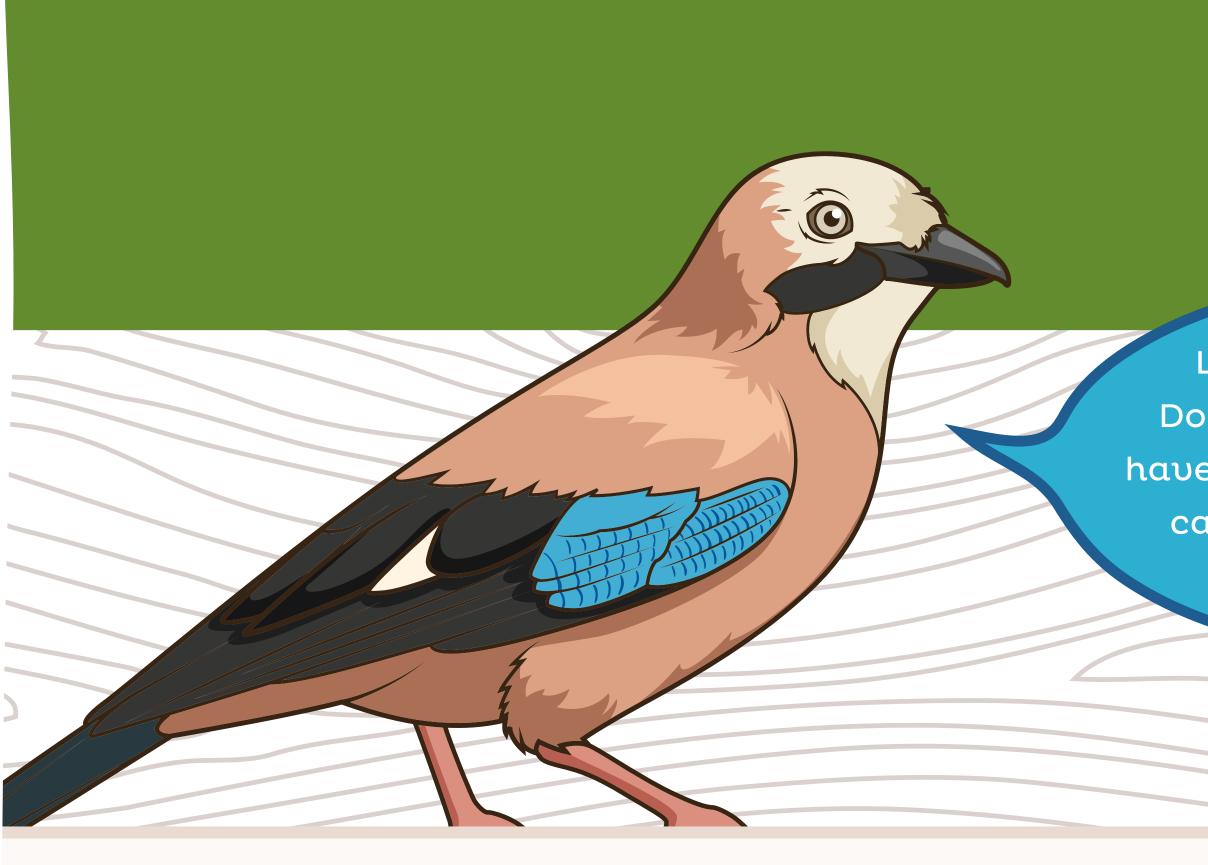


A large beech tree has about 800 000 leaves. Beechnuts taste good to many animals. The wind carries the pollen from one flower to another.

The bark protects the tree.

In autumn, the green leaves become colourful.

OAK VIEW



More than 1000 animals live on one oak tree. This tawny owl uses it as a hiding place, other animals feed on it, and still others raise their young here.

Look up into the oak tree. Don't its branches and twigs have strange shapes? If you look carefully, you may discover an animal!

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Oak trees can grow to be around 1000 years old. They not only grow high into the sky, but are also deeply rooted.





You can recognise oaks without leaves by their cracked bark. Oaks have green flowers. They are pollinated by the wind. The leaf shape of the oak is quite typically lobed. This oak is a pedunculate oak. Its acorns are on long stalks.

INSIDE AND OUTSIDE

Just as a human house has floors, there are different layers in the forest. Different animals live in each one. You'll find me mainly in the tree layer.

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The top layer is called the tree layer. It reaches up to the treetops. Birds, squirrels and bats are at home here.



Bushes and young trees up to five metres high form the shrub layer. Many birds have their nests here.



The herb layer is up to one metre high. There are grasses, herbs and flowers. Butterflies and bees fly from flower to flower.



On the ground is the moss layer. Mosses, lichens and mushrooms grow here. Insects and spiders scurry around.



Under the earth is the root layer. Earthworms and mice dig their tunnels and millions of tiny creatures ensure fertile soil.





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Let yourself be inspired and create your own artwork by lining the shapes on the ground with things from the forest! Will you make a well-camouflaged animal or a striking one?

FOREST ART





Animals that are well camouflaged have a better chance of survival.

If you look carefully, you will discover fantastic colours and shapes everywhere in the forest.





If the fox does not move, it is hardly recognisable. The b nuth the b whic

- The back of the
- nuthatch is grey like
- the beech tree on
- which it lives.

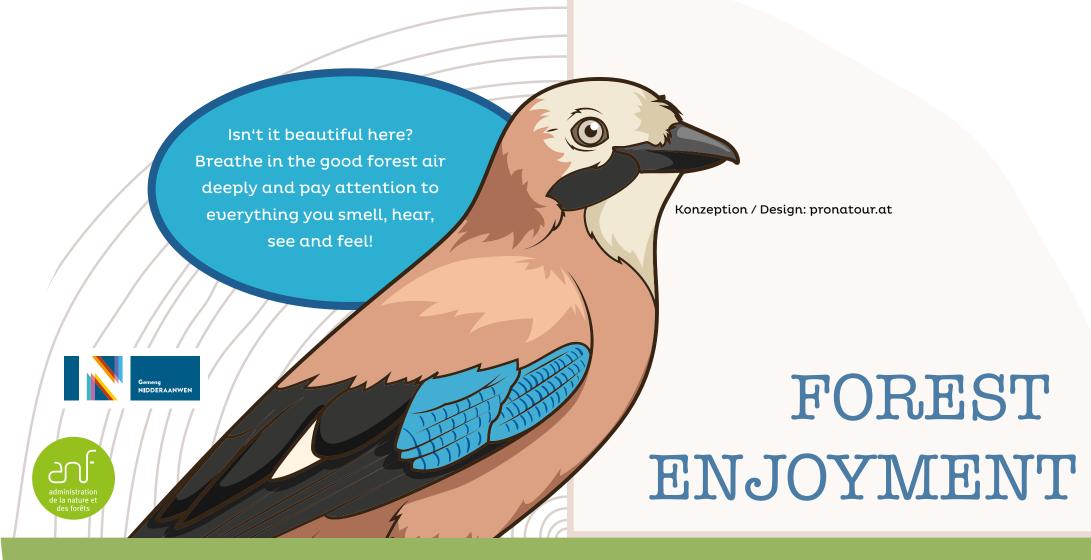
Yellow and black are warning colours in the animal kingdom. They mean: Attention Danger! This oil beetle is very poisonous. That is why it can shimmer so strikingly blue.



BAREFOOT PATH

Walking barefoot is fun and healthy!





Pick a tree and hug it!



Put your ear to one of the two hearing funnels! How many different sounds can you hear?

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LISTENING LIKE A FOX

Hearing funnels are similar to fox ears.

BY THE BROOK

Whether fruits, seeds or small animals, wild boars eat everything.

> Amphipods are real crabs, even if they only grow to 2 centimeters.



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Deer are gourmets who carefully choose what they eat.

> For three months the fire salamander larva lives in the water before it metamorphoses.

Some animals live in the stream, others only come to drink.

Caddisfly larvae build a caddis into which they can retreat.





MATRR. SHAPES

Look at the little stream. Over the course of thousands of years, it has formed this valley. Incredible, isn't it?



Whether large or small, rivers flow in curves. In the process, the water takes earth, sand and stones with it. The faster the water flows, the more power it has and the more it can take with it.



In outer curves, the path
for the water is longer
than in inner curves.
Therefore, it has to flow
faster and takes more
material with it. The bank
in outer curves is therefore
steeper than in inner
curves.

WHO'S DRINKING?

Nuts, insects and birds' eggs are on the squirrel's menu.

Foxes eat a lot of different things, but their main prey are mice.



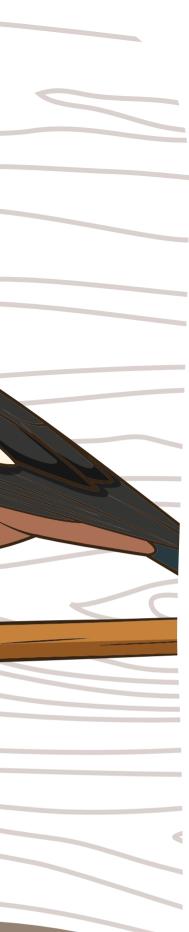
Where the Black Woodpecker lives, the forest is in order. It lives in old trees.

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All the animals of the forest come to the water at some point.

The wood mouse is rarely seen. It looks for its food in the dark.

> Throughout the year, the chaffinch calls in our forests.





It's a corded animal. It eats plants and is quite peaceful.

SOIL SECRETS

Wolf spiders carry their eggs around in a cocoon. They do not build webs.



This is what a ground beetle looks like. It lives in the ground and hunts other ground animals.

Lie down and take time to observe the animals that live on the ground! They are very important for the forest.





This sap sucker belongs to the isopods. It can curl up in case of danger.

SOIL SECRETS

Forest ants find their way on the ground via scent.



Ground beetles hunt for small animals on the forest floor.

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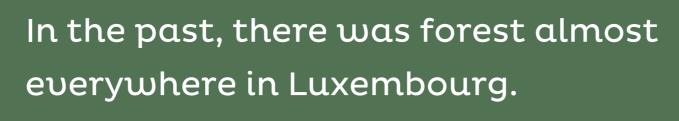




I love the forest, it is my home. The forest takes care of me and it takes care of you. Look at that!

WONDERFUL FOREST

everywhere in Luxembourg.



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When sunlight falls on green leaves, oxygen is produced. All animals and humans need it to breathe.





HABITAT

Various animals, plants and mushrooms live in the forest.

WOOD UTILISATION

Whether firewood or a wooden house, you can use wood for many things.

RECOVERY

Playing in the forest is fun all year round.

PROTECTION

If snow or stones start to slide, a forest is the best protection.

CLIMATE CHANGE

The forest compensates for weather extremes.

WATER

The forest floor stores rainwater and slowly releases it as a spring. In the first 150 years, beech trees grow into stately trees.

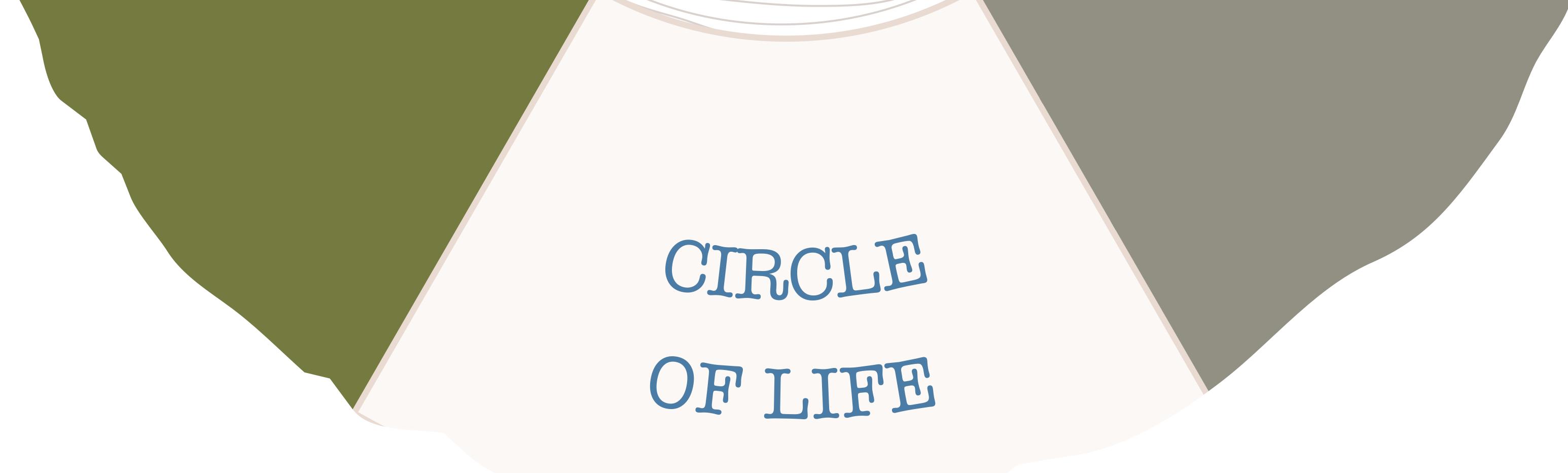
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This small beech is about one year old.

A new tree germinates in the rotting wood of a dead beech.

Old beech trees become gnarled and develop cracked bark.

Mushrooms and various insects decompose the dead tree.



WHAT A FOREST RANGER DOES



The forester looks after the balance in the forest and plants young trees.

The forester looks after the trees and protects them as long as they are small.

The forester makes sure that there are not too many animals in the forest nibbeling on the trees. The forester cuts wood, but he remembers to leave enough trees.







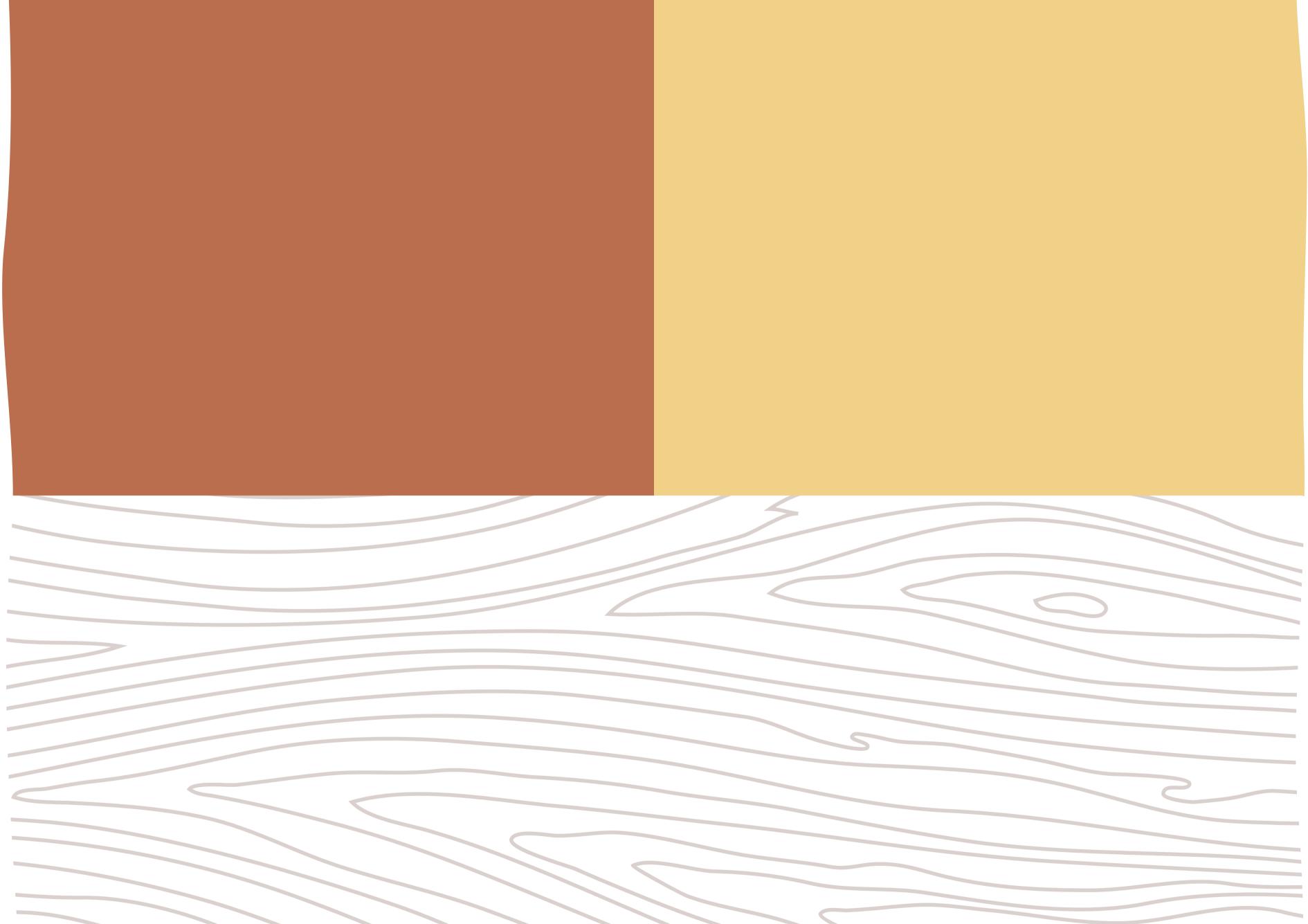
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THE FOREST THROUGH-OUT THE SEASONS <image>

Every year it is a small miracle when the leaves sprout anew in spring and the first bird sings.

In the summer it is wonderfully shady in the forest and butterflies celebrate their wedding under the dense canopy of leaves.

The autumn wind sweeps the colourful leaves off the trees and squirrels collect seeds to store for the winter. Most small animals go dormant in winter. Those who are awake now, like the fox, have to look for enough food.







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Before you go, throw an acorn through the ring. With a bit of luck, it will soon grow into a young oak. I hope you'll come back soon!

GOD BYE



When you are at home, think back to the oaks and everything you have experienced here on the Kannerwee!





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