



# Case Study



## Overview

<b>Project</b>	Yew Tree Farm
<b>Location</b>	Warwickshire
<b>Client</b>	Private Client
<b>Contractor</b>	Own workforce
<b>Market sector</b>	Farmer

## Products used



BioWool Mulch Mats 500x500



Bamboo Anchoring Pegs 150mm



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After a lifetime of farming, a customer decided to convert 3 hectares of land, previously used for grazing, into a mixed broadleaf woodland. The project was carried out under the English Woodland Creation Offer (EWCO), with a focus on planting Silver Birch and English Oak alongside ten other broadleaf species. Sourcing all materials from Cheviot Trees, the owner's goal was to create an exemplary plantation with the best quality trees possible.

## The Solution

To protect the young trees, the owner used 1.2m Tubex Combitube treeshelters and needed a mulch solution to prevent weed growth and retain moisture. He carefully evaluated his options, **rejecting materials that could leave plastic microbeads behind, as well as imported natural fibres like jute and coir due to their high carbon footprint and poor performance.**



He ultimately chose BioWool® mulch mats, which was **produced in the UK from wool**; a difficult-to-sell farm commodity. **This biodegradable mat was well-priced, strong, and could hold 30% of its weight in moisture.** Its fully biodegradable backing and high lanolin content, which deters deer, met all the technical requirements while also aligning with his farming background.



## The Result

Despite one of the driest Springs on record, the broadleaf plantation established very well.

**The BioWool® mats successfully retained what little moisture there was, benefiting the young trees and preventing competition from weeds.** This careful investment in time and quality materials is expected to yield faster tree growth and significantly lower maintenance costs, proving to be an excellent investment for the long term.

