



Penn Woods by Paul Larner (acrylic)

This painting of Penn Woods exemplifies splendidly the character and form of one of the Chilterns' most archetypal beech woodlands. The tall, straight trees tower above the walkers, and give some impression of the woods long and rich history; it served as a fuel supply for Roman iron smelting, a Saxon Chase, a Norman woodland pasture and a 19th century wood source for the local furniture industry. Despite its grandeur though, the woodland is also fragile. The careful management it receives from its current owners, the Woodland Trust, should help to ensure it is enjoyed by generations to come.