

South Yorkshire BNA Species of the week

The treecreeper



This is always a great bird to spot with its speckled feathers on the back and bright white below as it sneaks up the trunk of a tree in a mouse like way. Always a woodland bird, it is good to remember that treecreepers go up and the nuthatch goes down. When reaching a high point, the treecreeper will fly off and land on a lower part of another tree and start to move up again. This bird is using its fine curved bill to look under some loose bark for spiders and beetles. I found an old dead branch on the ground at the base of the tree and was able to prise the bark away to show what the treecreeper was after.

