

## CUMBRIA

Allithwaite	1914: An ancient yew grew on the Birkby estate.
Bywell St Andrew	An avenue of yews apparently connects 2 churches.
Brigsteer Park Wood	A National Trust Woodland. "Ancient yews surrounded by old coppiced ash stools.. Perhaps the yew and ash were the original vegetation, the oaks planted for their usefulness....." GR: 488 876
Dean, nr Workington	A yew grows outside of The Royal Yew public house. It already features in the Gazetteer, but the claims of it being 800 to 1000 years old seem exaggerated, although the pub does date back to 1373. Some measurements and photographs would be welcome.
Edenhall	A yew with a girth of 22ft has been recorded. Not known whether this is a churchyard yew. Attempts have been made to locate this tree without success.
Egremont Castle	"Some fine old yew trees, and a profusion of ivy, invest the ruins with the air of picturesque grandeur." (1852 – Handbook of the Whitehaven and Furness Railway)
Furness Abbey	Very old yew trees are recorded in the area around the abbey.
Grasmere	8 yews planted by Wordsworth in 1819? and near one of them and quite close to the river Rothay is his grave.
Great Urswick	Churchyard yews: 'Two yews planted in 1855, one each side of the principal entrance gate at the west end'.
Hawkshead	Written in 1893: 'In the year 1627 we come across a touch of unconscious poetry. Miles Sandys desires to be buried in his parish churchyard of Hawkshead "upon the south side of the church neare the Yew-roote," We imagine that the yew here mentioned had been known to the villagers for many generations. Is it there now?'
Naworth Castle	Recorded in 1897 as 15ft 11ins at 3ft. Bole height of 11ft. Height 55ft. A decayed trunk. (Private location)
Kendal	Wild yews growing on Conzie Scar.
Longtown.	Yews in a vicarage garden.
Meathop	Crag Wood (SD457 806) is an area of rural woodland on the edge of Morecambe Bay Estuary and within the SSSI estuarine complex. This ancient semi-natural woodland has 'occasional' mature yew and also yew regeneration in 'localised pockets'. For more information go to <a href="http://www.wt-woods.org.uk/cragwood/description.asp">www.wt-woods.org.uk/cragwood/description.asp</a>
Muncaster	The 1852 <i>Handbook of the Whitehaven and Furness Railway</i> has: "The churchyard contains.....two large and venerable yew-trees, which must have witnessed of many generations to their last resting places." They are found on the south side of the churchyard near an ancient cross.
Plumbland	An "ancient yew" described in 1940s. Probably churchyard.
Swinside	Early reference to a "shattered old yew." I do not know whether this refers to a churchyard. The site is so close to Borrowdale that it might refer to one of the trees known as the Fraternal Four. These have already been recorded.
Troutbeck	On the road from Windermere to the Kirkstone Pass is Troubeck Church (Jesus Chapel). Many reports describe the churchyard with its "three ancient yew trees."

Ulpha	A 20ft girthed yew was recorded here in 1852. Probably churchyard.
Ulverston	1914: The churchyard has a large yew tree near to the church on the south side.
Warwick Bridge	A 5m girth yew. Where?