

'The dedication and location adjacent to the river favour an early medieval origin for Llanbadarn church' according to *The Buildings of Wales: Powys* by Richard Haslam 1979

The present church has its origins in the 13th century.

The 1970 Brecon Yew Survey recorded two 18' trees, but only one of this size survives today, growing west of the church. The internal stem of this male yew is clearly seen where the dead sapwood of the trunk that once enclosed it has decayed. Where the hollow closes over are numerous branches, many of which grow vertically, showing that the tree has been leaning for a long time. It might need supporting in the future. Branches sweep to the ground all around this tree, enclosing a space which was being used to store drying grasses.

Girth in 1999 was 21' 6" at the ground, a figure that was exaggerated by its spreading roots, and 18' 7" at both 3' and 5'.

In 2015 Paul Wood recorded a girth of 21' 8"(6.60m) at the ground.

photos - Geoff Garlick 2004



2015 Paul Wood: A second male yew here was measured and girths of 12' 10" at 3' and 11' 2" at the ground were recorded.



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