

St Mary the Virgin



2014: Two male yews grow on the south side of this Norman church. The younger of the two is seen above in a painting by Rev Williams dated 1787 and in a 2014 photograph.

The photos below show that large part of its bole is of old sapwood, a few slithers of living wood producing pockets of growth high into the tree. Heartwood was spilling out from its decaying centre. Girth was 10' 8" at 3'.







The yew growing WSW of the church is seen below. Netting covered its first few feet. Two large trunks have been removed close to the ground on the south side. Some white sapwood of the original trunk was visible in the centre. Foliage was healthy. The girth of 14' 4" at 3' 3" was recorded in 2013. Including the two ground level trunks was above 17'.



