

The ancient yews in the Dioceses of the Church of England - October 2022

In 2022 the Ancient Yew Group updated its classification of yews. Most trees with a girth above 4m are now called **Ancient**. They are categorised according to their present girth or a known historic girth.

Ancient - E are those exceptional yews with girth above 9m and a likely age above 1000 years.

Ancient¹ have a girth between 7m and 9m and a likely age above 800 years.

Ancient – 5/7m in girth have a likely age above 500 years.

Ancient – 4/5m in girth have a likely age above 400 years.

Notable applies to yews with a girth between 3m and 4m.

Where smaller girthed yews exhibit some of the features found on ancient trees, for example holes, cavities or crevices, they will be classified as **Veteran (V-con)** because of their condition.

Diocese of Bath and Wells

Site name	Church name	Tree Classification
These sites are all in Somerset		
Angersleigh	St Michael and All Angels	1 ancient - 4/5m
Ash Priors	Holy Trinity	1 ancient - 5/7m
Ashbrittle	St John Baptist	1 ancient E - 9m+
Ashill	St Mary	2 ancient - 5/7m
Barwick	St Mary Magdalene	1 veteran - condition
Batcombe	St Mary	1 ancient - 4/5m
Bathampton	St Nicholas	1 veteran – condition
Bickenhall		1 ancient - 4/5m
Bicknoller	St George	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Biddisham	St John the Baptist	1 veteran – condition
Broomfield	St Mary and All Saints	1 ancient - 5/7m
Buckland St Mary	St Mary	1 ancient - 4/5m
Burrington	Holy Trinity	1 ancient - 5/7m

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Castle Cary	All Saints	1 ancient - 5/7m
Chapel Allerton	Allerton Church	1 ancient - 5/7m
Cheddar	St Andrew	1 ancient - 4/5m
Chew Stoke	St Andrew	1 veteran – condition
Chewton Mendip	St Mary Magdalene	1 ancient - 4/5m 1 ancient - unmeasurable
Chilcompton	St John the Baptist	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Christon	St Mary	1 ancient - 4/5m
Churchill	St John the Baptist	1 ancient - 4/5m
Churchstanton	St Peter and St Paul	1 ancient - 4/5m 1 notable
Combe Florey	St Peter and St Paul	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Compton Dundon	St Andrew	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Creech St Michael	St Michael	1 ancient - 4/5m
Cutcombe	St John	1 ancient - 5/7m
Dinder	St Michael and All Angels	1 ancient E - 9m+
Dinnington	St Nicholas	1 ancient - 5/7m
Dodington	All Saints	1 veteran – condition
Drayton	St Catherine	1 veteran – condition
Dunkerton	All Saints	1 ancient - 5/7m
Dunster	St George	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
East Chinnock	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
East Woodlands	St Katherine	1 ancient - 5/7m 2 ancient - 4/5m
Elworthy	St Martin of Tours – Redundant church	1 ancient E - 9m+
Enmore	St Michael	1 ancient - 5/7m
Freshford	St Peter	1 ancient - 5/7m
Hawkridge	St Giles	1 veteran – condition

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Hinton St George	St George	1 veteran – condition
Keinton Mandeville	St Mary Magdalene	1 ancient - 4/5m
Kingston St.Mary	Blessed Virgin Mary	1 ancient E - 9m+
Kingstone	St John with All Saints	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Loxton	St Andrew	1 veteran – condition
Lyng (East Lyng)	St Bartholomew	1 veteran – condition
Middle Chinnock	St Margaret	1 ancient - 4/5m
Minehead	St Michael	1 veteran – condition
Nailsea	Holy Trinity	1 ancient - 4/5m
North Cadbury	St Michael the Archangel	1 veteran – condition
North Curry	St Peter and St Paul	1 veteran – condition
North Perrott	St Martin	1 ancient - 5/7m
North Stoke	St Martin	1 ancient - 5/7m
Norton Malreward	Holy Trinity	1 ancient - 4/5m
Norton sub Hamdon	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient - 4/5m
Odcombe	St Peter and St Paul	1 ancient - 5/7m
Othery	St Michael	1 veteran – condition
Pilton	St John Baptist	1 ancient - 5/7m
Pitney	St John the Baptist	1 ancient - 4/5m
Porlock	St Dubricius	1 veteran – condition
Portbury	St Mary Virgin	1 ancient - 5/7m
Priston	St Luke	1 ancient - 5/7m
Seavington St.Mary	St Mary - Redundant church	1 ancient - 5/7m
Seavington St Michael	St Michael	1 ancient - 4/5m

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South Brewham	St John Baptist	2 ancient - 4/5m
South Petherton	St Peter and St Paul	2 ancient - 4/5m
Stanton Prior	St Lawrence	1 veteran – condition
Staple Fitzpaine	St Peter	1 ancient - 4/5m
Stocklinch Ottersey	St Mary - Redundant church	1 ancient - 5/7m
Stoke St Michael	St Michael and All Angels	1 veteran – condition
Stoke Trister	St Andrew	1 ancient - 5/7m
Ston Easton	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
Tellisford	All Saints	1 ancient - 4/5m
Thorne St Margaret	St Margaret	1 veteran – condition
Tickenham	St Quiricus and St Julietta	1 ancient - 5/7m 1 notable
Timberscombe	St Petroc	1 ancient - 4/5m
Wambrook	St Mary	1 ancient - 4/5m
Watchet	St Decuman	1 veteran – condition
Wembdon	St George	1 veteran – condition
West Chinnock	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
West Coker	St Martin of Tours	1 ancient - 4/5m
West Monkton	St Augustine	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m 1 ancient - 5/7m
West Pennard	St Nicholas	1 ancient - 5/7m
Westbury-Sub-Mendip	St Laurence	1 ancient - 5/7m
Whitelackington	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient - 4/5m
Winscombe	St James the Great	1 ancient - 5/7m
Winsham	St Stephan	1 ancient - 4/5m
Withycombe	St Nicholas	1 ancient - 5/7m
Woolley	All Saints	1 ancient - 5/7m

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Woolverton	St Lawrence	1 ancient - 4/5m
Wootton Courtenay	All Saints	1 ancient - 4/5m
Wraxall	All Saints	1 ancient - 4/5m

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