

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.

Ancient 1 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 Chichester

Site name	Church name	Tree Classification
Amberley, West Sussex	St Michael	1 ancient - 5/7m
Angmering, West Sussex	St Margaret	1 ancient - 5/7m
Ardingly, West Sussex	St Peter	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Bignor, West Sussex	The Holy Cross	1 ancient - 5/7m
Buxted, East Sussex	St Margaret	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Chailey, East Sussex	St Peter	2 ancient - 5/7m
Coldwaltham, West Sussex	St Giles	1 ancient E - 9m+
Crowhurst, East Sussex	St George	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m 1 ancient - 5/7m 1 ancient – 4/5m
East Chiltington, East Sussex		1 ancient - 5/7m
Eastbourne, East Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient – 4/5m
Etchingam, East Sussex	St Mary and St Nicholas	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Fittleworth, West Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
Funtington, West Sussex	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient - 5/7m
Herstmonceaux, East Sussex	All Saints	1 ancient E - 9m+
Heyshott, West Sussex		1 ancient - 5/7m

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Icklesham, East Sussex	All Saints with St Nicholas	1 ancient - 5/7m
Ifield, West Sussex	St Margaret of Antioch	1 ancient - 5/7m
Mid Lavant, West Sussex	St Mary and St Nicholas	1 ancient - 5/7m
Ninfield, East Sussex	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient - 5/7m
North Marden, West Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
Northchapel, West Sussex	St Michael and All Angels	1 ancient – 4/5m
Northiam, East Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
Rotherfield, East Sussex	St Denys	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Slaugham, West Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Stanmer, Brighton		2 ancient - 5/7m
Stedham, West Sussex		1 ancient E - 9m+
Stopham, West Sussex	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Sullington, West Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
Tangmere, West Sussex	St Andrew	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Tillington, West Sussex	All Hallows	1 ancient - 5/7m
Walberton, West Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient - 5/7m
Warbleton, East Sussex	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient - 5/7m
Westmeston, East Sussex	St Martin	1 ancient - 5/7m
Wilmington, East Sussex	St Mary and St Peter	1 ancient E - 9m+
Wivelsfield, East Sussex	St Peter and St John	2 ancient – 4/5m
Woolbeding, West Sussex	All Hallows	1 ancient – 4/5m
Yapton, West Sussex	St Mary	1 ancient – 4/5m