

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 Gloucester

Site name	Church name	Tree Classification
Abenhall	St Michael	1 ancient – 4/5m
Adlestrop	St Mary Magdalene	1 ancient - 5/7m
Awre	St Andrew	1 ancient - 5/7m
Boxwell	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient – 4/5m
Broadwell	St Paul	1 ancient - 5/7m
Bulley	St Michael and All Angels	1 ancient - 5/7m
Cold Aston (Aston Blank)	St Andrew	1 ancient – 4/5m
Coln Rogers	St Andrew	1 ancient - 5/7m
Deerhurst	St Mary	1 ancient – 4/5m
Donnington, Herefordshire	St Mary	1 ancient – 4/5m
Forthampton	St Mary the Virgin	1 ancient – 4/5m 1 ancient fragment
Hawling	St Edward	1 ancient - 5/7m
Hewelsfield	St Mary Magdalene	1 ancient - 5/7m
Huntley	St John the Baptist	1 ancient - 5/7m
Kemble	All Saints	1 ancient – 4/5m

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Minsterworth	St Peter	1 ancient - 5/7m 2 ancient - 4/5m
Pauntley	St John the Evangelist	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m
Saintbury	St Nicholas is a redundant church	1 ancient – 4/5m
Sevenhampton	St Andrew	1 ancient – 4/5m
Staunton	St James	1 ancient ¹ - 7/9m Has been exceptional
Staunton (Forest of Dean)	All Saints	1 ancient - 5/7m
Todenham	St Thomas a Becket	1 ancient – 4/5m