

## 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 Portsmouth

Site name	Church name	Tree Classification
Bedhampton	St Thomas	2 ancient 1 - 7/9m
Boarhunt	St Nicholas	1 ancient 1 - 7/9m
Clanfield	St James	1 ancient 4/5m
Corhampton		1 ancient 1 - 7/9m
Durley	Holy Cross	1 ancient 1 - 7/9m
Fareham	St Peter and St Paul	1 ancient 1 - 7/9m
Froxfield Green	St Peter	1 ancient 5/7m 1 notable
Greatham (old church)	St John the Baptist – church no longer in use	1 ancient 1 - 7/9m
Hambledon	St Peter and St Paul	1 ancient 5/7m
Hawkley	St Peter and St Paul	2 ancient 1 - 7/9m 1 ancient 5/7m
North Hayling	St Peter	1 ancient 4/5m
Priors Dean		1 ancient 1 - 7/9m
South Hayling	St Mary	1 ancient Exceptional
Southwick	St James(without-the-Priory-Gate)	1 ancient 5/7m

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Steep	All Saints	1 ancient 5/7m
Warblington	St Thomas a Becket	1 ancient 5/7m
West Liss (Burgates)	St Peter – now an International Presbyterian Church	1 ancient 5/7m