

## **Numbers of Ancient Yews in Britain aged between 2 and 5,000 years.**

Britain and in particular Wales, has the largest number of ancient yews in the world (158 at the most recent count). Although there are still undiscovered yews, we now believe that in Wales, there are at least 31 yews aged at 2,000 years plus, 11 of 3,000 years plus, 1 at 4,000 years plus and 3 at 5,000 years plus, totalling 46 yews aged at over 2,000 years, in Wales.

In the rest of Britain we have recorded 111 yews aged at over 2,000 years. This total is made up of 76 yews aged at 2,000 years plus, 32 at 3,000 years plus, 3 at 4,000 years plus and 1 at 5,000 years plus.

Numbers of ancient yews for the whole of Britain therefore total at least 158. These figures are based on current information and may expand further. At some of the places listed here, there is more than 1 ancient yew.

### **Wales.**

#### **Churchyard yews aged 5,000 years plus (3 yews)**

Defynnog, Brecon

Discoed, Powys

Llangernwy, Clwyd

### **Wales.**

#### **Churchyard Yews aged 4,000 years (1yew)**

Bettws Newydd, Monmouthshire

### **Wales.**

#### **Churchyard Yews aged 3,000 years (11 yews)**

Alltmawr, near Builth Wells, Powys

Llanafan Fawr, Powys

Llanbedr Ystrad Yw, Breconshire

Llandeiniolen, Gwynedd

Llandre, Cerdigion

Llanfared, near Builth Wells, Powys

Llanfeugan, Breconshire (2)

Llangynyw, Powys

LLanymawddwy, Gwynedd

Llantrithyd, Glamorgan

### **Wales.**

#### **Churchyard Yews aged 2,000 years (21 yews)**

Cyffylliog, Denbighshire  
Gwytheryn, Clwyd  
Llanarmon Dyffryn Ceiriog, Clwyd (2 yews)  
Llanarth, Gwent  
Llandrillo, Denbighshire  
Llanfihangel Nant Melan, Powys  
Llangathen, Carmarthenshire  
Llangattock Juxta Usk, Monmouthshire  
Llanilid, Glamorgan  
Llanspiddy, Powys  
Maesmynis, Powys  
Mamhilad, Gwent  
Meidrim, Carmarthenshire  
Mynydd Islwyn, Gwent  
Nantmel, Powys  
Pennant Melangell, Powys (2 yews)  
Penpont, Powys  
Rhulen, Near Builth, Powys  
Ystradgynlais, Powys

**In the rest of Britain,  
Churchyard Yews aged 5,000 years plus (1 yew)**  
Fortingall, Scotland

**Churchyard Yews Aged 4,000 years plus (3 yews)**  
Crowhurst, Surrey  
Linton, Herefordshire  
Tisbury, Wiltshire

**Churchyard Yews aged 3,000 years plus (16 yews)**  
All Hallows, Dorset  
Ashbrittle, Somerset  
Clun, Shropshire  
Claverley, Shropshire  
Coldwaltham, Sussex  
Farringdon, Hampshire,  
Kenn, Devon  
Kennington Kent  
Long Sutton, Hampshire  
Lytchett Matravers, Dorset  
Payhembury, Devon

Peterchurch, Herefordshire  
Stanstead. Kent  
Woodcott, Hampshire  
Woolland, Dorset  
Yazor, Herefordshire

**Churchyard Yews aged 2,000 years plus (45 yews)**

Acton Scott, Shropshire  
Aldworth, Berkshire  
Ankerwycke, near Runnymede, Buckinghamshire  
Astbury, Cheshire  
Awre, Gloucestershire  
Boarhunt, Hampshire  
Buckland in Dover, Kent  
Buxted, Sussex  
Challock, Kent  
Cradley, Worcestershire  
Crowhurst, Sussex  
Darley Dale, Derbyshire  
Dunster, Somerset  
Eastling, Kent  
Elworthy, Somerset  
Hambleton, Surrey  
Harrietsham, Kent  
Hope Bagot, Shropshire  
Huntley, Gloucestershire  
Kemble. Gloucestershire  
Leeds, Kent  
Loose, Kent  
Loughton, Shropshire  
Mamhead, Devon  
Martindale, Cumbria  
Mid Lavant, Sussex  
Molash, Kent  
Old Enton, Surrey  
Overton on Dee, Shropshire  
Prior's Dean, Hampshire  
Ulcombe, Kent  
Uppington, Shropshire  
West Tisted, Hampshire  
Wilmington, Sussex  
Rycote Manor, Oxfordshire  
Sidbury, Shropshire

South Hayling, Hampshire  
Staunton, Worcestershire  
Stedham, Sussex  
Stockbury, Kent  
Tandridge, Surrey  
Tangley, Hampshire  
Tettenhall, West Midlands  
Totteridge, Hertfordshire  
Zeal Monachorum, Devon

**Yews not in churchyards, (non churchyard yews), in the whole of Britain, aged 3,000 years plus (16 yews)**

All Hallows, Dorset. One 30 ft. yew outside churchyard.  
Boulsbury Farm, near Martin's Wood, Hampshire  
Bulbarrow, Dorset  
Bodcott Farm, near Moccas Park, Herefordshire  
Borrowdale, Lake District. National Trust  
Bulbarrow Hill, Woolland, Dorset. On ancient barrow  
Druids Grove, Surrey  
Garnons Wood, nr. Mansell Gamage, Herefordshire  
Keffold's Farm, Haslemere, Sussex. Possible monastery site  
Kentchurch, Herefordshire. Private estate. 3 yews  
Knowlton Circles, Dorset. Henge monument  
Norbury, Shropshire  
Old Colwall, Herefordshire  
Whitbury Hillfort, Dorset

**Non Churchyard Yews in Wales aged 2,000 years plus (10 yews)**

Caer Alyn, Llay, near Wrexham, Clwyd. Edge of field  
Dolfor, Newtown, Powys. 2 yews on hillside  
Dolforwyn Castle, Yew tree cottage, Welshpool, Powys. Next to well  
Pantllidw, Machynlleth, Powys  
Pantybeudy, Llangeithio, Ceredigion  
Ty Illtyd, Llanhamlach, near Brecon, Powys. 3 yews on hillside  
Yew tree Farm, Discoed, Offas Dyke, Powys/Herefordshire border

**Non Churchyard Yews in the rest of Britain aged 2,000 years plus (31 yews)**

Askerswell, Dorset  
Barlavington Farm, Sussex  
Coldred, Kent. On burial mound opposite church  
Churchill, Worcester, Kidderminster area. Old Church site

Compton Dando, Wandsdyke, Somerset. On dyke  
Craswall, Herefordshire  
Ducks Nest Longbarrow, Dorset. Private land  
Fountains Abbey, Ripon, Yorkshire. National Trust  
Great Frazer Yew, above Loch Ness  
Great Yews, Odstock, Wiltshire. Yew grove  
Hanchurch, Staffordshire. Near a house called 'The Yew Trees'  
Holywell, Eardisley, Herefordshire. SSSI  
Jays Copse, Haslemere. Surrey. Boundary marker tree  
King Yew, Eastwood, Tiddenham Chase, Gloucestershire  
Kingley Vale, Chichester, West Sussex  
Kyre Park, Worcestershire  
Lydney Park, Gloucestershire  
Lorton, Kendal, Cumbria. Wordsworth's Tree. By stream in field  
Marston Bigot, Somerset. Private land  
Merdon Castle, Winchester, Hampshire  
Middleton Scriven, Shropshire. 2 yews in field opposite church  
Newlands Corner, Surrey  
Old Enton, near Godalming, Surrey. Possible hillfort  
Old Church, Ullswater, Cumbria. Hotel grounds  
Rye Hill, near Knowlton Circles, Dorset. On farmland  
Snoddington Manor Farm, Tidworth, Hampshire  
Temple Farm, Longleat, Wiltshire  
Yew tree knob, Wintershall private estate, Bramley, Guildford, Surrey  
White house Copse, Cranbourne, Dorset  
Yew Tree Field, Damerham, Dorset