

The South Lancashire Flora
(Vascular Plants Family 026 Taxaceae)

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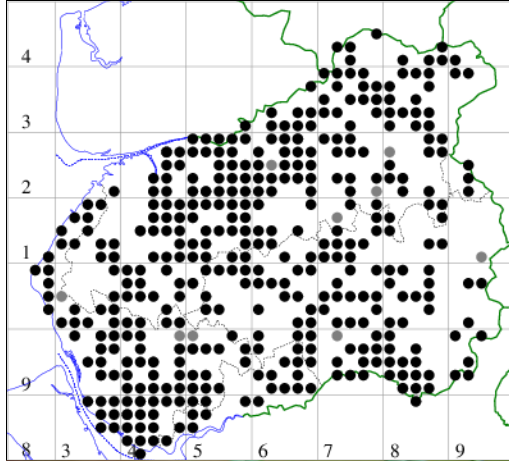
CONIFERS

TAXACEAE

Yew family

Taxus baccata L.

Yew



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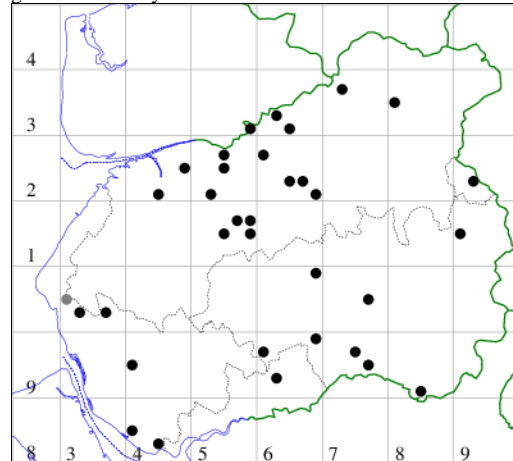
Status & distribution: Neophyte-naturalised; widespread, locally frequent in wooded districts and frequently self-sown.

Earliest record traced: South Liverpool (SJ48, HE Green, 1927).

Habitat: Woodlands, hedgerows, village copses, parks and churchyards, rare on sand-dunes but increasingly found as isolated saplings.

Comments: Frequently planted and often regenerating. A young tree has been observed self-sown high on a cliff at Cliviger Gorge (SD20T, P Jepson, 2005).

The cultivar forma *fasciculata* (Irish Yew) is widely grown in churchyards and cemeteries.



Irish Yew - Halsall Church DP Earl 2008



Irish Yew - Charnock Richard Church DP Earl 2009