

Select References Somerset Geology

Publications

The following should be available in print unless otherwise indicated

Memoirs of the British Geological Survey

The Minehead district-a concise account of the geology. Sheet 278 and part of sheet 294. R. A. Edwards. 1999. The Stationery Office.

Geology of the country around Weston-super-Mare. Sheet 279 with parts of sheets 263 and 295. A Whittaker and G. W. Green. 1983. HMSO.

Geology of the country around Wells and Cheddar. Sheet 280. G. W. Green and F. B. A. Welch. 1965. HMSO.

Geology of the country around Taunton and the Quantock Hills. Sheet 295. E. A. Edmonds and B. J. Williams. 1985. HMSO.

The Wincanton District: a concise account of the geology. Sheet 297. C. R. Bristow et al. 1999. HMSO.

Geology of the country around Bridport and Yeovil. Sheets 312 and 327. V. Wilson et al. HMSO.

The geology of the country between Wellington and Chard. Sheet 311. W. A. E. Ussher. 1906. HMSO.

Geology of the country around Shaftesbury. Sheet 313. C. R. Bristow et al. 1995. HMSO.

Geology of the Bristol District; the Lower Jurassic rocks. Bristol special sheet. D.T. Donovan and G. A. Kellaway. 1984. HMSO.

Geology of the Bristol District. G. A. Kellaway and F. B. A. Welch. 1993. HMSO.

1:50 000 geological maps are available from the British Geological Survey for each of the memoirs.

Regional Geology (BGS)

Bristol and Gloucester region. British Regional Geology. G. W. Green. 1992. HMSO.

The Hampshire Basin and adjoining areas. R.V. Melville and R.C. Freshney 1982. HMSO.

South-West England. British Regional Geology. Edmonds E.A. et al. 1975. HMSO.

Popular and Miscellaneous

The archives of the peat bogs. Godwin, Sir H. 1981. Cambridge University Press.

Building with stone in Wessex over 4000 years. Tim Tatton-Brown. 1998. The Hatcher Review, V, No.45.

The coast of Avon. Bristol Naturalists Society Special Issue No.3. 1992. Note that there are relevant chapters on the geology including Middle Hope, Berrow wetlands and salt marsh.

Chard: a geological survey. Chard History Group. 1972. Available from Chard Museum , High Street, Chard.

Exmoor Geology. R. A. Edwards. 1999. Exmoor Books.

Fossil ammonites from the Somerset coast. A. King. 1997. Somerset County Museums Service. From Somerset County Museum , Taunton Castle, Taunton TA1 4AA.

The geology and landscape of Taunton Deane. H. C. Prudden. 2001. Taunton Deane Borough Council.

The geology of Somerset. P. Hardy. 2003. Ex Libris Press.

Somerset Geology Group

The geology of Watchet and its neighbourhood, Somerset. E. Robinson. 2006. Geologists' Association Guide No.66. Geologists' Association.

Ham Hill: the rocks and quarries. H. C. Prudden. 1995. South Somerset District Council.

The landscape of South Somerset. 1993. P. H. Smith et al. South Somerset District Council.

The Peat Moors Visitor Centre. M. Cox, 1993. From Taunton Museum. 37pp.

Prehistory of the Somerset Levels. Somerset Levels Project. J.M. Coles and B. J. Orme. 1980

Rocks and landscape in and around Yeovil. H.C. Prudden. 2005. South Somerset District Council.

The stones of Hestercombe: a geological tour of the rocks and stonework of Hestercombe Gardens. H. Prudden and P. White, 2007. Hestercombe Gardens Trust.

The stones of Wells Cathedral. n.d. Wells Natural History and Archaeological Society.

Walks around the caves and karst of the Mendip Hills: a field guide. A. Farrant, British Cave Research Association Cave Studies Series no. 8. Available from Sales, British Cave Research Association, London WC1N 3XX.

A walkers' guide to the geology and landscape of western/eastern Mendip. A. Farrant, 2008. British Geological Survey. Provides an excellent introduction to the wider area. It can be obtained from the BGS at Keyworth, Nottingham for £12 and comprises a 68-page book and a map at 1:25 000 scale.

Soils

The soils of the Glastonbury district of Somerset. Memoir of the Soil Survey of England and Wales. B. W. Avery, 1955. HMSO.

The soils of the Mendip district. Memoir of the Soil Survey of England and Wales. D.C. Finlay, 1965. HMSO.

Soils in Somerset 1: Sheet ST41/51 (Yeovil). Soil Survey Re. No. 111.

Soils of Exmoor - out of print.

CD ROM

2006 Somerset geology: a miscellany CD-Rom available from H Prudden 2 Yeovil Road Montacute, Somerset TA15 6XG, cost £5.

- Taunton Rock Trail
- Geological highlights of Hestercombe Gardens
- A selection of inland sites of geological interest in inland Exmoor
- North Exmoor scree: a ramble from Malmsmead to County Gate
- Greenleigh field guide
- Somerset geology: a good rock guide
- Geological features of the coast between Kilve and Quantocks Head
- A geological guide to Ham Hill
- Somerset building stone: a guide
- Geological conservation in Somerset

Websites

Earth Science On-Site is the UKRIGS education project and it is designed to encourage non-specialist science teachers to undertake Earth science fieldwork with pupils from Primary to GCSE level. It forms part of the UKRIGS website www.ukrigs.org.uk/esos/wiki/index.php5?title=TED.

Tedbury Camp - a geological gem in the Mendip Hills, has been compiled by Martin Whiteley on behalf of the Earth Science Teachers' Association (ESTA). It is aimed at A Level students, undergraduates and researchers, and includes lots of illustrative material and a detailed map of the quarry. It forms part of the ESTA website www.esta-uk.net/tedbury_camp_quarry.html

Somerset Geology Group

Somerset Geology-a Good Rock Guide: some fifty accessible sites of general geological interest e.g. details of Holwell viewing platform. www.heleigh.eclipse.co.uk/Somerset_Good_Rock_Guide.doc

Building Stones of Somerset: a Guide: a summary of the principle building stones: their characteristics, origins, uses and distribution. www.sanhs.org/Proc%20Building%20stone.pdf

The British Geological Survey (2008) publication, **a walkers' guide to the geology and landscape of eastern Mendip** - details given above. Additional information can be found on the accompanying website www.bgs.ac.uk/mendips

Geology of Ham Hill: a guide to what visitors can look for at Ham Hill South Somerset www.visitsouthsomerset.com/index.jsp?articleid=21974&page_name=quarries