

# Stonehenge, Wiltshire

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### Original Stonehenge was dismantled in Wales and moved to Wiltshire, archaeologists believe

Norman Wiltshire Most of the county changed hands after the , but due to the Domesday book we know quite well how the folk here lived at that time. © Andrew Dunn Aerial view of Stonehenge in a greener season than the previous photo , © Holly Hayes © Holly Hayes The Station Stone. Researchers will now attempt to understand how the sarsens were moved from Wiltshire to Stonehenge.

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Those stones have already been traced back to Pembrokeshire in Wales — about 150 miles away. It was often mentioned in the same breath as the Great Pyramids in Egypt; the Hanging Gardens of Babylon; the Colossus of Rhodes. Construction on the great monument began 5,000 years ago; the famous stones that still stand today were put in place about 4,000 years ago.

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Was Stonehenge originally built in Wales? Most archaeologists believe that the sarsens were brought from Marlborough Downs 20 miles away , while the bluestones came from the Preseli Hills in south-west Wales 140 miles. Although the faith of the Stonehenge builders predates any known religion, the site has become a place of pilgrimage and worship for Neopagans who identify themselves with the Druids or other forms of Celtic paganism.

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Some of the smaller stones bluestones weigh up to 4 tones.

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