## **AMAZING BRIDGES**

There are many beautiful bridges in the world



There are many Types of Bridges Which Are Given Below

BRIDGES					
LONGEST	SMALLEST	TALLEST	OLDEST		

## Tarr Steps (England)





The Tarr Steps is a clapper bridge across the River Barle in the Exmoor National Park, Somerset, England. They are in a national nature reserve about 2.5 miles (4 km) southeast of Withypool and 4 miles (6 km) northwest of Dulverton.

A typical clapper bridge construction, the bridge's listing assesses it as medieval in origin. The stone slabs weigh up to two tons each. The bridge is 180 feet (55 m) long and has 17 spans. It has been designated by English Heritage as a grade I listed building and scheduled monument.

Owned by Exmoor National Park Authority, Tarr Steps Woodland National Nature Reserve covers 33 hectares of the river Barle valley. This is mainly sessile oak (Quercus petraea) woodland, with beech (Fagus), ash, sycamore (Acer pseudoplatanus), hazel (Corylus), blackberry (Rubus), bluebells (Hyacinthoides non-scripta) and honeysuckle (Lonicera). It is internationally significant for the mosses, liverworts and lichens which flourish in the cool damp conditions. Much of the woodland was once coppiced, primarily to provide charcoal for the local iron smelting industry. The river and the valley woodlands are part of the Barle Valley Site of Special Scientific Interest and abound with wildlife, ranging from red deer to dormice, including the rare Barbastelle Bat (Barbastella barbastellus) and otter that feed along the unpolluted and fast-flowing river.