



how to find your dedicated tree

Stanley Wood by King's Stanley, Gloucestershire

37.92ha, (93.7 acres)
Grid reference: SO805019
Explorer 167, OS Landranger 162
Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty,
Ancient Semi-Natural Woodland,
Planted Ancient Woodland Site

Recorded as Buckholt Wood in the Domesday book, a name that reflects a large number of beech trees, Stanley Wood is a robust native mix of semi-mature broadleaves with ash, beech and sycamore predominating.

One hundred and twenty nine species of ground flora have been recorded on the site, including the limestone fern and the red helleborine. Fauna includes two species of hoverfly and two species of mollusc, with the site also playing host to roe and muntjac deer and badgers.

The western half of the woodland is surrounded by a number of archaeological sites, and within the wood two well preserved sunken track-ways cloaked in mature beech are impressive features to look out for. Historically, these were used as routes to and from market in King's Stanley and Leonard's Stanley, and the wheel ruts worn into the bedrock can still be seen. Internally the site is a pleasure to walk through, displaying a wide variety of shapes, forms and colours.

The paths through Stanley Wood are all free-draining and have a moderate level of natural stone making them suitable for year-round access, though this can become dislodged, making the surface rough and impacting on its suitability for wheelchair

access. All of the paths have steep sections, although contours are followed where possible. Located due south of King's and Leonard's Stanley, the wood is within a well facilitated and busy landscape for public amenity and recreation.

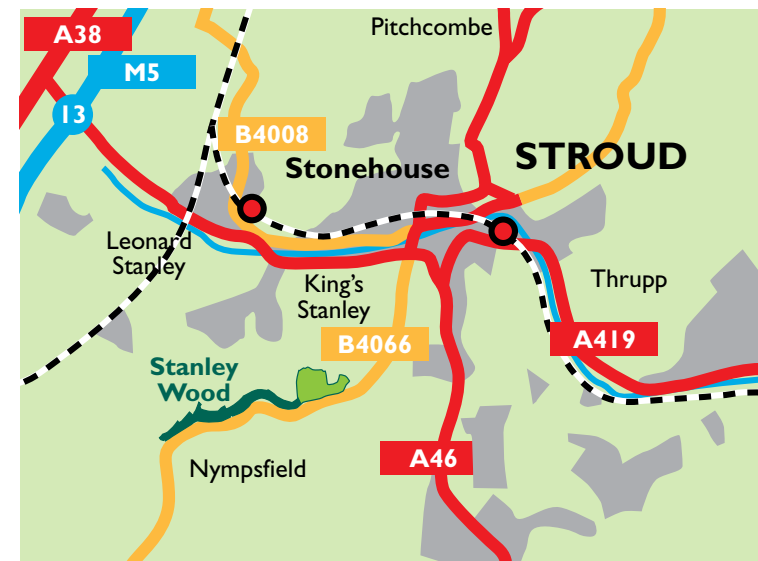
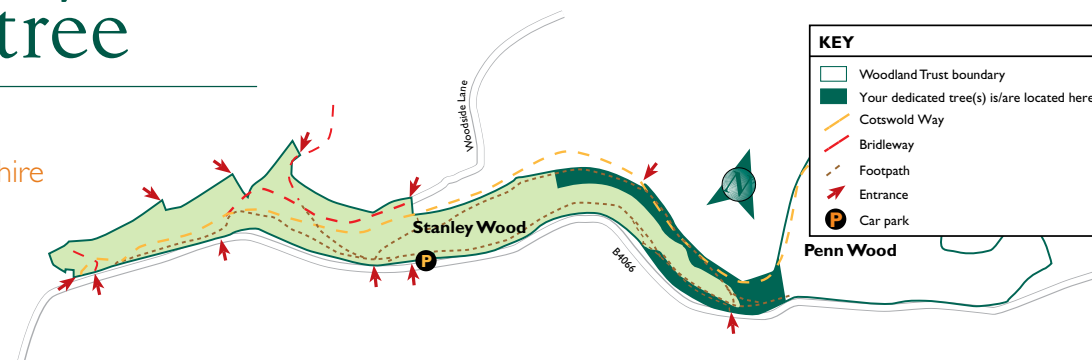
A permissive bridleway route has been created adjacent to the B4066 for the length of the site, which is the flattest route through.

The B4066 forms the wood's southern boundary, and parking facilities extending to ten cars are available off this road opposite the Glider Club entrance, where the nearest bus stop is also located. Alternatively, the site can be accessed via the Public Right of Way networks connecting it to King's and Leonard's Stanley, Selsley and Woodchester.

For advice on travel by public transport, contact the national helpline on 0871 200 2233.

More information about this wood can be found on the Woodland Trust website: woodlandtrust.org.uk/ourwoods

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WHEN VISITING THE WOOD PLEASE NOTE

in order to keep our woods as natural as possible, individual trees are not marked in any way.



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