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Mission to record every remaining stone stile in the shire before they are lost

1 Stone stiles are a real Cotswolds feature, with some unique to this area. Many are centuries old, but there is no comprehensive record of all the ones in Gloucestershire. The Campaign for the Protection of Rural England [CRE] is recording our stone stiles and needs our help to make the Gloucestershire Stone Stile Project a success.

2 Many Cotswold stone stiles show where there are ancient pathways from before land enclosures, which connects with our article "Don't Lose Your Way!" Some stiles also show where there used to be farmsteads, barns and villages, which have long since vanished. This is IMPORTANT. The historical heritage project needs volunteers to help with this.

3 The Gloucestershire Stone Stile Project was launched by CPRE Gloucestershire volunteer, Peter Wilson, in the summer of 2020 with support from CPRE Gloucestershire and the Cotswold Naturalists' Field Club.

4 Support for the Project has been overwhelming - [over 800 stone stiles](#) having already been reported.

Jayne Tovey, of Ampney Crucis, is responsible for a staggering number of these finds - In [only six months she recorded 500 stiles](#)!

Jayne was inspired to find stone stiles in the Gloucestershire countryside after she read an article on The Gloucestershire Stone Stile Project in her parish magazine.

5 If, like Jayne, are inspired to find stone stiles, let us know your story and we will feature YOU in a future article. At this time of year many stiles, particularly if they have been bypassed, are almost hidden in the undergrowth but – if you are armed with some secateurs – you CAN find them!

6 You can find out more about the Project and how you can become involved from [CPRE Gloucestershire](#).

7 The images are of a Tetbury stone stile and stile hero Jayne.

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