



Old Quarry Wood, Sallow Coppice Shropshire

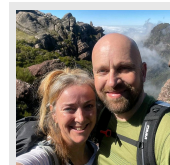
Old Quarry Wood is a mature broadleaf woodland positioned above rolling agricultural land near to Craven Arms. It is located on an elevated spot with commanding views, and has newly improved vehicle access and hard standing parking.

Details

Price: £79,000 Freehold
Location: Park Lane, Craven Arms, Shropshire
Size: 5¼ acres for sale
OS Landranger: OS No 137
Grid ref: SO 425 822
Nearest post code: SY7 9AB

Local manager

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Description

Old Quarry wood is a mature woodland - and as the name implies, has it's own ancient quarry! Rising gently from the newly refurbished track and parking area, a pathway leads upwards and around, revealing beautiful views across the open fields of southern Shropshire.

On the private pathways within the woodland, the level of vegetation underfoot is not too high allowing one to explore amongst the trees. Here you will find some very old mature trees, Oak and Chestnut to name a few. There are some areas of bracken and bramble that would benefit from some gentle woodland management, and would encourage the growth of the existing areas of bluebell which are evident in the spring and early summer. Of particular note are the honeysuckle vines providing colour and a lovely aroma in the cooler summer hours.

All of Sallow Coppice has been identified as an Ancient Woodland. Ancient woods are areas of woodland that have persisted since 1600 in England, Wales and Northern Ireland, and 1750 in Scotland. They are relatively undisturbed by human development. As a result, they are unique and complex communities of [plants](#), [fungi](#), insects and other microorganisms.

<https://www.woodlandtrust.org.uk/trees-woods-and-wildlife/habitats/ancient-woodland/>

Woodlands have worked closely with Shropshire Council to preserve the Public and Permissive Paths within Sallow Coppice. Old Quarry Wood has these pathways around two sides. There are no Public or Permissive Paths within the centre of the woodland.

The purchasers of the woodland will be asked to enter into a [covenant](#) to ensure the quiet and peaceful enjoyment of adjoining woodlands and meadows.

Trees

The trees are various ages and generally mature, with some areas where the last thinning opened wider areas. The dominant trees are Oak, Ash and Sweet Chestnut, with significant numbers of Birch and Sycamore. Form is generally good; there are some characterful trees which are aesthetically attractive. The density of tree numbers is high and, from a silvicultural perspective, thinning some of the lesser trees will allow the remaining trees to develop along with the ecological functions that nature provides.

The woodland is classified as an Ancient and Semi Natural Woodland (ASNW) meaning it has been under continuous tree cover of native tree and shrub species since at least 1600 AD.

Wildlife

While we were working in the woodland, Red Kites were often seen overhead. We also observed Woodcock and there were lots of signs of active Woodpeckers. Talking to a resident (of over 70 years) he has seen Deer and possibly Pine Marten within the woods.

There are areas of established Snowdrops and lots of signs of early Bluebells. Summer brings Honeysuckle and in winter the Holly provides some colour.

Features

At approximately 180m above sea level at its highest point Old Quarry Wood has beautiful views over the countryside. Old Quarry Wood as the name implies, boasts a disused quarry pit and ancient pathways.

Old Quarry Wood flattens out above the quarry, creating a great place to explore and play.

Access, tracks and footpaths

Upon purchase, the new owner will have an access key which will allow them to drive to Old Quarry Wood. This track is a public foot path and is used by pedestrians. The pedestrian and woodland path carries on to the top north east corner of Old Quarry Wood. A permissive path then runs north south along the eastern boundary.

There are no rights of way for the public within the rest of the wood.

Rights and covenants

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Activities

Old Quarry Wood, Sallow Coppice is located next to the old town of [Craven Arms](#). The name originates from the 17th century Craven Arms Inn. Later it was the creation of a major railway junction that stimulated growth of the settlement in Victorian times.

Sallow Coppice is located in the Shropshire Hills National Landscape (Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty). Walks, events, and places to visit can be found here: <https://www.shropshirehills-nl.org.uk/>

Also running through Craven Arms is the Heart of Wales Track <https://www.heart-of-wales.co.uk/communities>.

For those who love cycling there are 23 cycle routes in the area <https://www.bikemap.net/en//2652061/>.

Closer to home, there are some gorgeous walks around Sallow Coppice. Please be sure to stick to the sign posted routes in order to protect the wild life and not wander into private woodlands. <http://www.shropshiresgreatoutdoors.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2015/06/SW-C5-Sallow-Coppice-Circular.pdf>

<http://www.shropshiresgreatoutdoors.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2017/09/SHDC-Stokesay-Walks-web.pdf>

And for those of you who fancy a challenge, check out the [Shropshire 80k!](#)

Local area and history

Within walking distance of Old Quarry Wood is [Stokesay Castle](#). It was constructed at the end of the 13th century by Laurence of Ludlow, who at the time was one of the richest men in England. It remains a treasure by-passed by time, one of the best places to visit in England to experience what medieval life was like. Today the castle has been carefully restored and there is plenty to do here on a family day out. The castle is within walking distance of Old Quarry Wood.

Nearby there is the Bronze age settlement of [Norton Camp](#).

Here are some links for places to stay in the local area; being a National Landscape area it really is worth staying and exploring.

Places to stay: <https://www.shropshire-guide.co.uk/places/category/craven-arms-accommodation/>

Campsites nearby https://www.pitchup.com/campsites/England/Central/Shropshire/Craven_Arms/

How to find this woodland

You are welcome to visit this wood by yourself, but please ensure that you have a copy of these sales details with you - many of our woodlands do not have mobile phone reception or internet access so we recommend either printing the details or downloading them to your phone/tablet/laptop.

Do remember to also check that it is still available for sale. If you have seen the woodland and wish to be accompanied on a second more detailed visit please contact our local manager.

Directions

From the north:

Follow signs to Craven Arms on the A49. Once in the Town, turn right along Clun Road (B4368) towards Clun. After 500m take the first small road on your left, pass under the railway bridge. Follow this small road until you see a layby with a gated area on your left. This is the parking area from which to enter the woodland. (Purchasers will be given a key to this locked gate in order to access their wood).

From the south:

Follow signs to Ludlow then continue on the A49 towards Craven Arms. Pass Stokesay Castle on your left and the discovery centre on your right. As you enter Craven Arms take Clun Road (B4368) on your left. Follow this small road until you see a layby with a gated area on your left. This is the parking area from which to enter the woodland. (Purchasers will be given a key to this locked gate in order to access their wood).

Parking area is at:

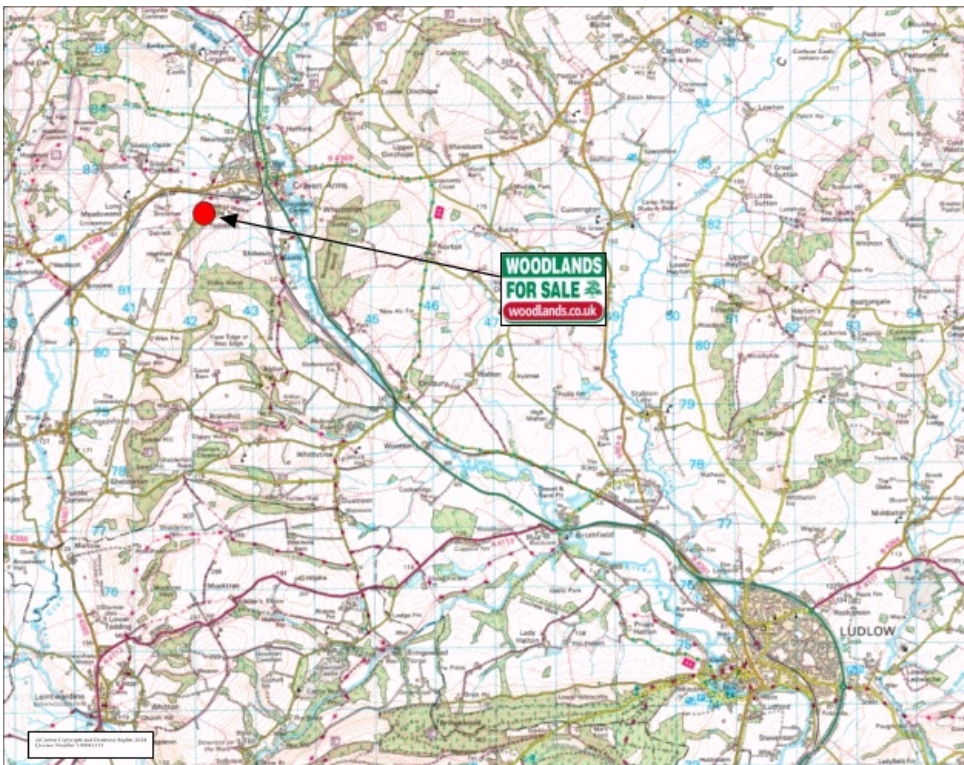
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Old Quarry Wood is located through the wooden gate up the slight hill to the left (north) of the parking area.

Boundaries:

Old Quarry Wood boundaries are marked in red.

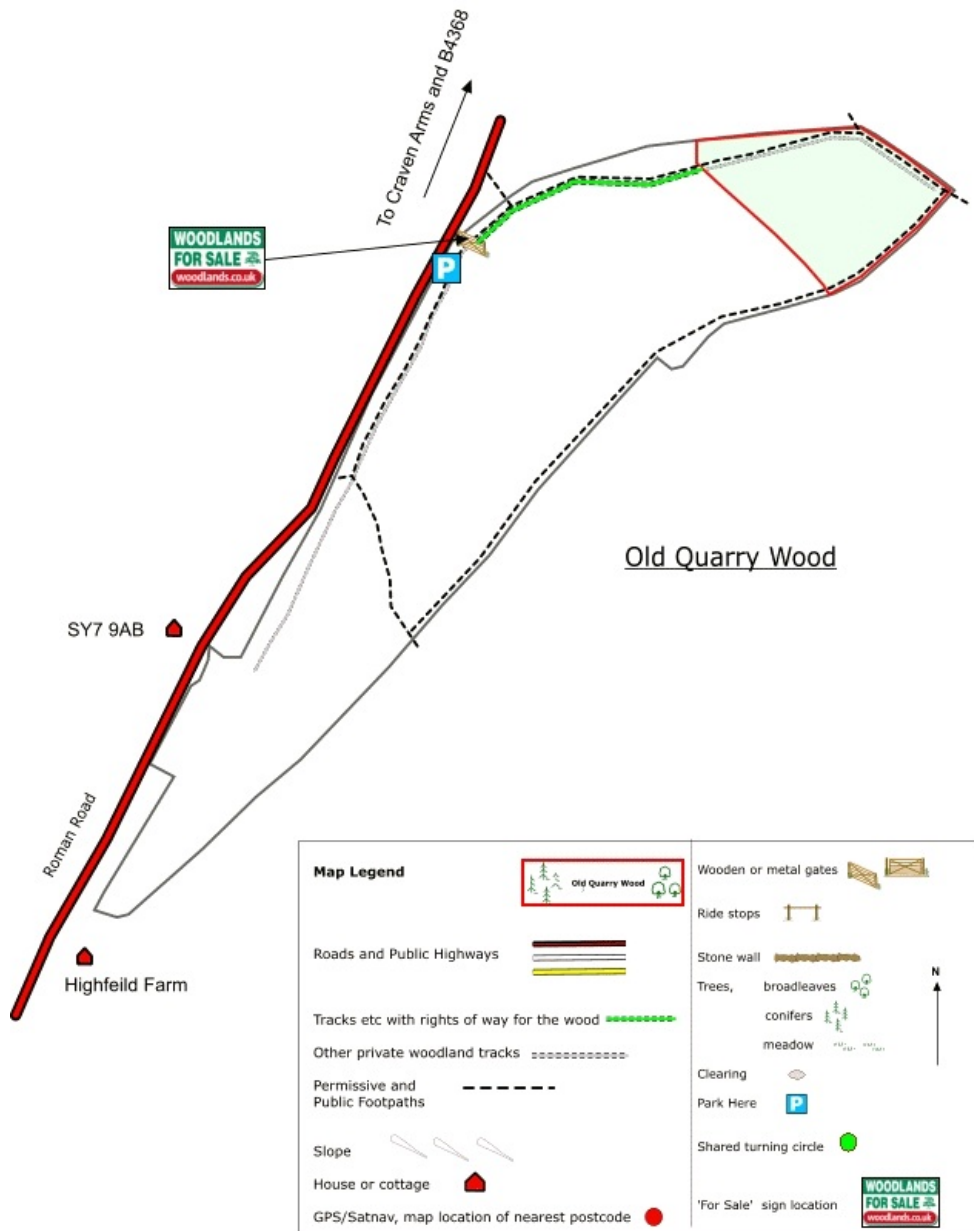
The boundary that runs through the woodland is marked with red boundary posts. All the other boundaries are fence lines which neighbour the adjacent farm lands.





Map Legend	
	Wooden or metal gates
Roads and Public Highways	Ride stops
Tracks etc with rights of way for the wood	Stone wall
Other private woodland tracks	Trees, broadleaves
Permissive Path	conifers
Public Footpath	meadow
Slope	Clearing
House or cottage	Park Here
GPS/Satnav, map location of nearest postcode	Shared turning circle
	'For Sale' sign location





Our regional managers are often out working in our woodlands, so if you email an offer and want to be sure it has been received, please phone our manager on his or her mobile phone. The first offer at the stated price which is accepted, whether by phone or email, has priority.

Please take care when viewing as the great outdoors can contain unexpected hazards and woodlands are no exception. You should exercise common sense and caution, such as wearing appropriate footwear and avoiding visiting during high winds.

All woodlands are sold at a fixed price, and include free membership of the [Small Woodland Owners Group](#) and the [Royal Forestry Society](#), as well as [£300 towards paying for a course](#) (or courses) to help with managing and enjoying your woodland.

These particulars are for guidance only and, though believed to be correct, do not form part of any contract. Woodland Investment Management Ltd hereby give notice under section 21 of the Estate Agents Act 1979 of their interest in the land being sold.