

## INDEX OF TREE-RING DATED BUILDINGS IN ENGLAND COUNTY LIST approximately in chronological order, revised to VA51 (2020).

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### NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

County	Felling date range	Placename	Address	VA ref HE ref Other refs	Description / keywords	NGR
Nort	1261 /2 1262	Cottingham	The Royal George	32.77 Oxf (1)	Stone. 3 bays. Raised cruck. Collars had unrefined entry notched lap joints. Trenched purlins. Shaped saddle carries ridge-plate with through-splayed and tabled scarf [blades tenoned into saddle soffit].	SP 844902
Nort	1304 -14	Shutlanger	The Monastery	37.121 Oxf (2)	Manor house or grange. 2 storeys, 3½ bays. Spere truss. Hall has arch-braced short principal truss: angle-braced arcade plates and wind-braced purlins.	SP 728498
Nort	1390 -1419	Great Doddington	24 High Street	32.73 MB	Stone. Smoke-blackened thatch. Three bays in line. Cruck blades pegged into a yoke which supports a ridge-plate. Also see 1735.	SP 883648
Nort	1422-5	Brixworth	All Saints Church	26.57 Sh	Joists in ringing chamber	SP 748712
Nort	1412 -37	Apethorpe	St Leonard's Church, Main Street	40.115 Notm RDR 85/2008	Chancel: 2 tiebeam trusses with short king posts: single tier of slightly staggered purlins plus ridge plate. N & S aisles have cranked tiebeam roofs. (Also various dates from inserted timbers).	TL 025957
Nort	1481 -1507	Abington	Abington Hall	(3)	Manorial. Stone. 4-bay hall. Wall-posts on wooden corbels and an arch-brace to hammer beams; arch-brace from and an arch-brace to hammer beams; arch-brace from hammer post to collar. Open tracery below upper collar, 2 tiers of side purlins.	SP 775616
Nort	1487 -1512	Weston	Armada House, High Street	49.129 Notm	Significant fire damage. Two ranges at right-angle. This date is for north range ground-floor ceiling. (For north range roof see 1592 -1617. For south range see 1566 -91 and 1640)	SP 591468
Nort	1489 -1514	Stanford-on-Avon	St Nicholas' Church	28.130 Notm (4) AML 27/96	Replacement roof of N aisle. 'Flat' roof with moulded tiebeams. Partly of ridge-beams lapped over tiebeams, partly of ridge-beams housed or tenoned into upper arris.	SP 589789
Nort	1503 -22	Upton	Upton Hall	(5)	Stone. 4-bay hall. Cornice; double arch braced collar, slender mullions define ogee-headed panels 4 tiers of tenoned side purlins and ridge-purlin; 3 tiers of curved wind-braces and one tier of cusped quatrefoil braces. Intermediate trusses with arch-braced high collars and curved V-struts.	SP 716602
Nort	1509 -41	Weekley	Boughton House	(6)	Stone. 5-bay hall. Arch-braced from corbelled wall-posts to cranked collar. Cusped / trefoiled braces rise to upper collar, curved V-struts. Intermediate trusses – elaborate cusped bracing up to cranked collar, 8 chamfered mullions form apertures with shaped plank heads. 4 tiers of moulded, tenoned side purlins and ridge-purlin. Carved and cusped, curved, and quatrefoil wind-braces.	SP 900815
Nort	1514 -39	Fawsley	The Dower House, Fawsley Park	33.112 Notm	Lodge. Brick. Alterations employed timber felled between c.1542 and 1575. Repairs 1895	SP 570578
Nort	1529 -39	Lower Catesby	Priory Meadow	31.87 MB	Detached service range to Catesby Priory. In west roof dated timbers include principals & a collar. (Also see 1576 (window lintel) and 1579/80 for central roof).	SP 515596
Nort	1576	Lower Catesby	Priory Meadow	31.87 MB	Window lintel. Also see 1529-39 and 1579/80.	SP 515596
Nort	1574 -79	Towcester	The Vicarage, Chantry Lane	51.115 MB	Ground-floor fireplace lintel. (For roof timbers see 1689 /90).	SP 693486

Nort	1566 -91	Weston	Armada House, High Street	49.129 Notm	Significant fire damage. Two ranges at right-angle. This date range is based on timbers in south range kitchen. For south range roof see 1640. (For north range see 1592 -1617 and 1487 -1512).	SP 591468
Nort	1579/80	Lower Catesby	Priory Meadow	31.87 MB	Central roof and ceiling. Dated timbers include principals, collar, 'queen post'. (Also see 1529-39).	SP 515596
Nort	1566 -99	Wappenham	Bloxham House, 5 Highbridge Road	51.121	Ex-situ lintel.	SP 624458
Nort	1569 -1601 1575 -97	Towcester	Old Mint House, 21 Park Street	51.114 MB	Stone. Former manor house? Front range with through-passage has roof with collar dated to 1569-1601. Rear range / service end has tiebeam and collar roof of 1575-97 with rafters crossed at apex to take ridge plate.	SP 691487
Nort	1602 1603	Towcester	181 Watling St	42.106 Oxf	2-bay, lateral stack. Close studding. Tiebeams, diminished principals with bridle joints, 2 collars, 2 tiers of threaded purlins.	SP 693486
Nort	1592 -1617	Weston	Armada House, High Street	49.129 Notm	Significant fire damage. Two ranges at right-angle. This dating is for north range roof. (For north range ground-floor ceiling see 1487 -1512). (Also see 1566 -91 and 1640).	SP 591468
Nort	1640	Weston	Armada House, High Street	49.129 Notm	Significant fire damage. Two ranges at right-angle. This date is for truss with principal and collar in south range roof. (Pair of cruck blades did not date). (For north range see 1592 -1617 and 1487 -1512).	SP 591468
Nort	1683 -6	Easton Neston	Easton Neston House	39.123 Notm (7)	9-bay north wing with hipped roof. [Wrongly attrib. to Wren in VA? Normally attrib. to Nicholas Hawksmoor?].	SP 701493
Nort	1675 -1700	Apethorpe	St Leonard's Church	- Notm RDR 85-2008	Latest of samples of various dates in chancel roof: tiebeams, very shallow pitch principals, single tier side purlins, king-posts, ridge-plate.	TL 025957
Nort	1689 /90	Towcester	The Vicarage, Chantry Lane	51.115 MB	Roof timbers; principal, collar, 2 tiers side purlins. (A secondary common rafter of 1824/25d). (For ground-floor fireplace lintel see 1574 -79).	SP 693486
Nort	1699 1703	Brackley	Town Hall	47.90 MB DM	Primary phase of 4-bay arcade; <i>doc – a contract of 19.9.1704</i> . (Also see 1882).	SP 584368
Nort	1706 /7 1709 /9	Althorp	Althorp House, Garden Temple	30.100 Oxf	Originally at Admiralty House, but moved by 5th Earl Spencer, and now repaired as a memorial to Diana, Princess of Wales.	SP 683655
Nort	1731	Kelmarsh	Kelmarsh Hall	44.94	4 ranges. Each range has queen post trusses & 2 tiers of side purlins; includes timbers from older roofs.	SP 736796
Nort	1735	Great Doddington	24 High Street	32.73 MB	Floor inserted into cottage dated to 1390 -1419 (qv).	SP 883648
Nort	1747 /48	Towcester	12 Park Street	51. 115 MB	Plausibly rebuilt after the Towcester fire in 1749.	SP 692487
Nort	1882	Brackley	Town Hall	47.90 MB DM	Additional bay, and ground floor enclosed. Replacement roof has raised tiebeams and queen posts. (For 1 <sup>st</sup> phase see 1703).	SP 584368

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