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Bath and Bradford-on-Avon Bats

Site details

Country	England
Unitary Authority	Gloucestershire, Wiltshire and Bristol/Bath area
Centroid*	ST834688
Latitude	51.4175
Longitude	-2.238611111
SAC EU code	UK0012584
Status	Designated Special Area of Conservation (SAC)
Area (ha)	106.45

* This is the approximate central point of the SAC. In the case of large, linear or composite sites, this may not represent the location where a feature occurs within the SAC.

General site character

Heath, Scrub, Maquis and Garrigue, Phygrana (4%)
Broad-leaved deciduous woodland (41%)
Other land (including Towns, Villages, Roads, Waste places, Mines, Industrial sites) (55%)

[Natura 2000 standard data form](#) for this site as submitted to Europe (PDF, < 100kb).

[Interactive map](#) from MAGIC (Multi-Agency Geographic Information for the Countryside).



Location of Bath and Bradford-on-Avon Bats SAC/SCI/cSAC

Note:

When undertaking an appropriate assessment of impacts at a site, **all** features of European importance (both primary and non-primary) need to be considered.

Annex I habitats that are a primary reason for selection of this site

Not applicable

Annex I habitats present as a qualifying feature, but not a primary reason for selection of this site

Not applicable.

Annex II species that are a primary reason for selection of this site

1304 [Greater horseshoe bat](#) *Rhinolophus ferrumequinum*

This site in southern England includes the hibernation sites associated with 15% of the UK **greater horseshoe bat** *Rhinolophus ferrumequinum* population and is selected on the basis of the importance of this exceptionally large overwintering population.

1323 [Bechstein's bat](#) *Myotis bechsteinii*

Small numbers of **Bechstein's bats** *Myotis bechsteinii* have been recorded hibernating in abandoned mines in this area, though maternity sites remain unknown.

Annex II species present as a qualifying feature, but not a primary reason for site selection

1303 [Lesser horseshoe bat](#) *Rhinolophus hipposideros*

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