

- Exposures of the Middle Jurassic, Great Oolite Limestone. In the adjacent field Great Oolite Limestone fossils can be found including bivalves, gastropods and brachiopods.
- There are at least 4 quarry sites at Traitors Ford – one of which is in the woodland to the east of Traitors Ford Lane and therefore in Oxfordshire.
- The other 3 sites lie within Traitors Ford Coppice, an area of apparently unmanaged self-seeded woodland that has grown up over the deserted quarries.
- Access is possible by entry to the woodland from Traitors Ford Lane without any apparent fencing. A space for parking exists just north of the ford at a point where the Macmillan Way long distance footpath reaches the road.
- The local map shows a quarry site in the adjacent field to the south but this no longer exists – confusingly, on this spot there does exist a large mound of fresh rubble limestone, which appears to be used by the landowner as track fill.
- Traitors Ford Coppice itself is difficult to negotiate as the ground is undulating, mossy in parts and full of low hanging branches, fallen wood and stone debris.
- The largest of the three quarry sites in the middle of the coppice provides a series of exposures on its southern side, albeit much obliterated by talus and woodland debris.
- Exposures up to 10 metres long and 3 metres deep can be examined.
- There is some evidence of badgers – probably no longer active.
- Traitors Ford shows no sign of woodland management and is progressing naturally, fencing non-existent or collapsed.



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