Durrington

Cuckoo Stone

(Photo by Bob Wood)

Location:

Latitude: 51.189216N
Longitude: 1.791553W

Details:

A recumbent grey sarsen stone 7ft x 5ft x 2ft thick (Ordnance Survey 10/1969).

In the field next to Woodhenge lies the Cuckoo Stone, about half a mile south-west from Stonehenge Inn. The Cuckoo Stone is made of sarsen, a kind of sandstone, the same as the largest stones in the Stonehenge circle. Most of the local rock is chalk or flint.

The stone is thought to have been abandoned here during the building of Stonehenge.

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The former standing stone now lies on its side but was standing in the time of Sir Richard Colt Hoare, the antiquarian (1758-1838) who wrote a history of Wiltshire.

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