

String of sausages lichen

Like all lichens this species is sensitive to air pollution, so the unmistakable pale grey-green sausage-like stems of this lichen are now restricted to places untouched by modern industry and road traffic. Remote sites in the south-west, especially in Devon, are the few places in England it can be found. It can be spotted draped over branches, often fairly high up, in the Dartmoor oak wood nature reserves DWT manages, such as Dart Valley (just downstream from Dartmeet) and Blackadon (on the River Webburn.) Both these nature reserves are temperate rainforests, now a globally rare habitat.