

SUMMARY

Monumental Yew *Taxus baccata* L. in Siekierzyna in the Rożnowskie Foothills

Common yew is a species which has been placed under different forms of protection in Poland for almost 600 years (Gottwald 1922). It is, yet, a rare species now.

The Siekierzyna individual in Ciężkowicko-Rożnowski Landscape Park (ATPOL gird EF96) is growing in a homestead. It is 8 m high and its circumference in the girth is 142 cm. It also has a symmetric, healthy crown and it fruits abundantly. It is a female individual.

According to inhabitants' reports, this yew has been growing in vicinity of premises for a few generations and it has always been provided with care.

Due to its isolated occurrence, general rarity on natural localities and considerable sizes, the common yew individual in Siekierzyna should be provided with legal protection as a nature monument.