

The Harold Wingham Collection of Aerial Photographs

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Dear GSIA Members and Friends,

Today sees the launch by Historic England of a celebration of the superb aerial photography of Harold Wingham who died last year aged 97. The 2000 photographs were taken by Harold between April 1951 and July 1963. and what is so remarkable is that it was all self-funded. Born in Hampshire, Harold spent most of his life in Gloucestershire and this is reflected in the 748 images for the modern county.

Harold's story appears on a new dedicated page, "[Barrows to Bridges: the Harold Wingham Collection of Aerial Photographs](#)", on Historic England's website, along with an interactive map where you can browse the collection by location and a gallery, which demonstrates the huge range of topics covered.

In addition three new displays exploring key themes in his work have been created on Google Arts & Culture in the Historic England section. Part I: [Landscape Archaeology](#);, Part II: [Buildings](#): and Part III: [Industry & Transport](#):

I had never heard of Google Arts & Culture before I was invited to select the images for Part III which turned out to be a fascinating experience. Google Arts & Culture claims to put the collections of more than 2,500 museums at your fingertips. Clearly, there are some amazing collections there but it can be hard to find what you want, as you access it by collection rather than a particular image. The three links above will give you an impressive overview of what Harold achieved.

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Image: Harold Wingham in Berkeley Deer Park in 1992.

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