

Escomb Saxon Church 675 A.D Bishop Auckland County Durham

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[youtube http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=9_HEgz8hIFM] **Escomb Saxon church 'St. Johns' was constructed in circa 675 A.D it is the earliest example of a Saxon Church in the United Kingdom and possibly Europe. Set within a circular walled churchyard most scholars agree that St. Johns belongs to the earliest period of Northumbrian Christianity. The church is most likely built of reclaimed stone obtained from the nearby Roman Fort of Binchester 'Vinovia or Vinovium' several worked Roman stones are visible around the church. During the 13th century both the interior and exterior of the church were plastered & several frescoes adorned the interior of the church, today though the only fresco that remains is upon the 'Chancel Arch' INTERESTING FEATURES INCLUDE: Vernacular roof beams. [\(περισσότερα...\)](#)**