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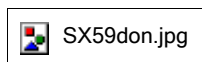
## Sourton community page

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**Sourton** is located within West Devon local authority area. Historically it formed part of Lifton Hundred. It falls within Okehampton Deanery for ecclesiastical purposes. The Deaneries are used to arrange the typescript *Church Notes* of B.F.Cresswell which are held in the Westcountry Studies Library. The population was 450 in 1801 403 in 1901 . Figures for other years are available on the local studies website. In 1641/2 108 adult males signed the Protestation returns.

A parish history file is held in Okehampton Library. You can look for other material on the community by using the [place search](#) on the main local studies database. Further historical information is also available on the [Genuki website](#).

**Maps:** The image below is of the Sourton area on Donn's one inch to the mile survey of 1765.



On the County Series Ordnance Survey mapping the area is to be found on 1:2,500 sheet 76/14 Six inch (1:10560) sheet 76SW

The National Grid reference for the centre of the area is SX535902. On the post 1945 National Grid Ordnance Survey mapping the sheets are: 1:10,000 (six inch to a mile: sheet SX59SW, 1:25,000 mapping: sheet Explorer 113, Landranger (1:50,000) mapping: sheet 191. Geological sheet 324 also covers the area.

**Extract from *Devon*** by W.G.Hoskins (1954), included by kind permission of the copyright holder:

SOURTON takes in a piece of the NW. edge of Dartmoor, rising at Sourton Tor to 1,447 ft. The church (St. Thomas Becket) is a 14th to 16th century building, mainly of moorstone.

Lake is a fine old farmstead, in part 16th century or older. Collaven, N. of Lake, is another ancient farmstead.

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