



Ugly Mugs: Gargoyles & Grotesques of Gloucestershire!

Draw a Green Man!

Green men are a common type of grotesque that are found on carvings in churches and other buildings (both secular and ecclesiastical). They are an ancient symbol of rebirth or renaissance and are closely linked to springtime and pagan gods of forests and vegetation. They are usually shown as a face that is sprouting branches or vines from the nose, mouth, nostrils or other parts of the face and these shoots may bear flowers or fruit. The Green man is also known as Jack in the Green and the Old Man of the Woods.

Why not draw your own 'Green man' or try it with an old photograph of yourself or someone in your family!

