

## SUNSHINE GUIDE TO TEWKESBURY AND THE SEVERN VALE, ENGLAND

LOCATION: Tewkesbury is located in Gloucestershire, in southwestern England. The town is situated at the junction of the Avon and Severn Rivers, about seven miles northeast of Gloucester. Elevations are within a few hundred feet of sea level. Tewkesbury is a pleasant and historic town. There are many half-timbered buildings and a number of historic inns. Its chief attraction, however, is the church of Tewkesbury Abbey, which dates to the twelfth century. It is one of the largest churches in England, and shares its basic plan with Westminster Abbey. Also worthwhile are excursions to the nearby villages of Ashleworth, Cheltenham, and Deerhurst. If you have time, hikes and picnics in the Forest of Dean should not be missed. .

|                        | JAN   | FEB   | MAR   | APR   | MAY   | JUN   | JUL   | AUG   | SEP   | OCT   | NOV   | DEC   |
|------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| HOURS OF DAYLIGHT      | 8:21  | 9:54  | 11:50 | 13:52 | 15:40 | 16:39 | 16:14 | 14:41 | 12:44 | 10:43 | 8:54  | 7:52  |
| HOURS OF SUNSHINE      | 1:38  | 2:23  | 3:35  | 5:03  | 6:00  | 6:34  | 5:56  | 5:40  | 4:26  | 3:09  | 1:57  | 1:28  |
| AREA OF BLUE SKY       | 30%   | 29%   | 32%   | 35%   | 37%   | 36%   | 38%   | 38%   | 37%   | 33%   | 32%   | 30%   |
| LOW FOR MONTH          | 23 °  | 24 °  | 27 °  | 31 °  | 35 °  | 43 °  | 47 °  | 46 °  | 40 °  | 33 °  | 28 °  | 25 °  |
| SUNRISE TEMPERATURE    | 35 °  | 35 °  | 36 °  | 40 °  | 45 °  | 50 °  | 54 °  | 53 °  | 50 °  | 45 °  | 39 °  | 37 °  |
| AFTERNOON TEMPERATURE  | 43 °  | 44 °  | 49 °  | 54 °  | 60 °  | 66 °  | 69 °  | 68 °  | 64 °  | 56 °  | 49 °  | 45 °  |
| HIGH FOR MONTH         | 53 °  | 54 °  | 60 °  | 66 °  | 73 °  | 79 °  | 80 °  | 80 °  | 74 °  | 66 °  | 58 °  | 55 °  |
| FROSTY MORNINGS        | 27%   | 34%   | 17%   | 10%   | 2%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 3%    | 14%   | 24%   |
| AFTERNOONS OVER 90 °   | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 1%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    |
| AFTERNOON HUMIDITY     | 81%   | 76%   | 69%   | 62%   | 61%   | 61%   | 61%   | 63%   | 67%   | 73%   | 80%   | 83%   |
| DRY DAYS               | 45%   | 52%   | 58%   | 57%   | 58%   | 59%   | 56%   | 55%   | 54%   | 52%   | 45%   | 45%   |
| REASONABLY DRY DAYS    | 77%   | 80%   | 80%   | 78%   | 79%   | 79%   | 78%   | 77%   | 77%   | 74%   | 72%   | 75%   |
| 5-DAY PRECIPITATION    | 0.40  | 0.36  | 0.33  | 0.32  | 0.34  | 0.37  | 0.39  | 0.45  | 0.35  | 0.48  | 0.46  | 0.49  |
| LIKELY SNOWFALL        | 7.1 " | 7.1 " | 4.1 " | 1.5 " | 0.0 " | 0.0 " | 0.0 " | 0.0 " | 0.0 " | 0.0 " | 1.2 " | 5.0 " |
| DAYS WITH SOME SNOW    | 15%   | 16%   | 8%    | 3%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 0%    | 2%    | 9%    |
| DAYS WITH SOME THUNDER | 1%    | 1%    | 1%    | 2%    | 6%    | 6%    | 7%    | 6%    | 3%    | 2%    | 3%    | 0%    |
| DAYS WITH SOME FOG     | 11%   | 10%   | 8%    | 8%    | 9%    | 7%    | 6%    | 8%    | 10%   | 13%   | 11%   | 13%   |

COMMENTS: Bright sunshine is likely on 32% of the year's daylight hours. This might range from a low of 19% in December, to a high of 39% from May through August. The year's lowest temperature should be close to 20°, and the highest should be near 84°. Sensible afternoon temperatures (the ones you feel) will be up to 3° cooler than actual ones. Summer afternoons are more often mild than warm, and rarely hot. Winters are also relatively mild for the latitude, with most winter nights remaining above freezing. Winter rains are far more common than winter snows.