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**SITE OF SPECIAL SCIENTIFIC INTEREST CITATION**

**MONMOUTHSHIRE**

**GILWERN HILL**

**Date of Notification:** 1971, 1983

**National Grid Reference:** SO 249125

**O.S. Maps:** 1:50,000 Sheet number: 161  
1:25,000 Sheet number: SO 21

**Site Area:** 80.9 ha

**Description:**

An area of limestone grassland and old quarries supporting a characteristic limestone grassland community. There are several species that are rare in the county, e.g. autumn gentian *Gentianella amarella* and brittle bladder fern *Cystopteris fragilis*. The steeper slopes support ash *Fraxinus excelsior* woodland over a rich ground flora.

**Remarks:**

Within the Brecon Beacons National Park.

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