Soft Britain

EXPLORERS

An interesting pattern of sand, clay and peat packed into a small island

There's more to soil than just 'mud'! In fact, there are over 1,800 different types of soil in Britain, each with it's own unique story. Here are just a few examples of common British soils to look out for...







Peaty Soils (such as Histosols), are formed in waterlogged environments where there is a large amount of organic matter, such as decomposing plant remains.





(known as Gleysols), form in areas saturated by groundwater for long periods of time.



Young Soils

(known as Cambisols or 'brown earths'), are those that are in the process of being formed.



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