

Mistletoe Decline

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[The Guardian](#) is reporting an expected loss of the mistletoe plant because of the decline in traditional orchards and their management.

"The [National] Trust says that in the cider heartland – Somerset, Gloucestershire, Herefordshire and Worcestershire – traditional orchards have declined dramatically in the past 60 years. Many that survive are not tended, hastening the death of the trees and then the plant."