

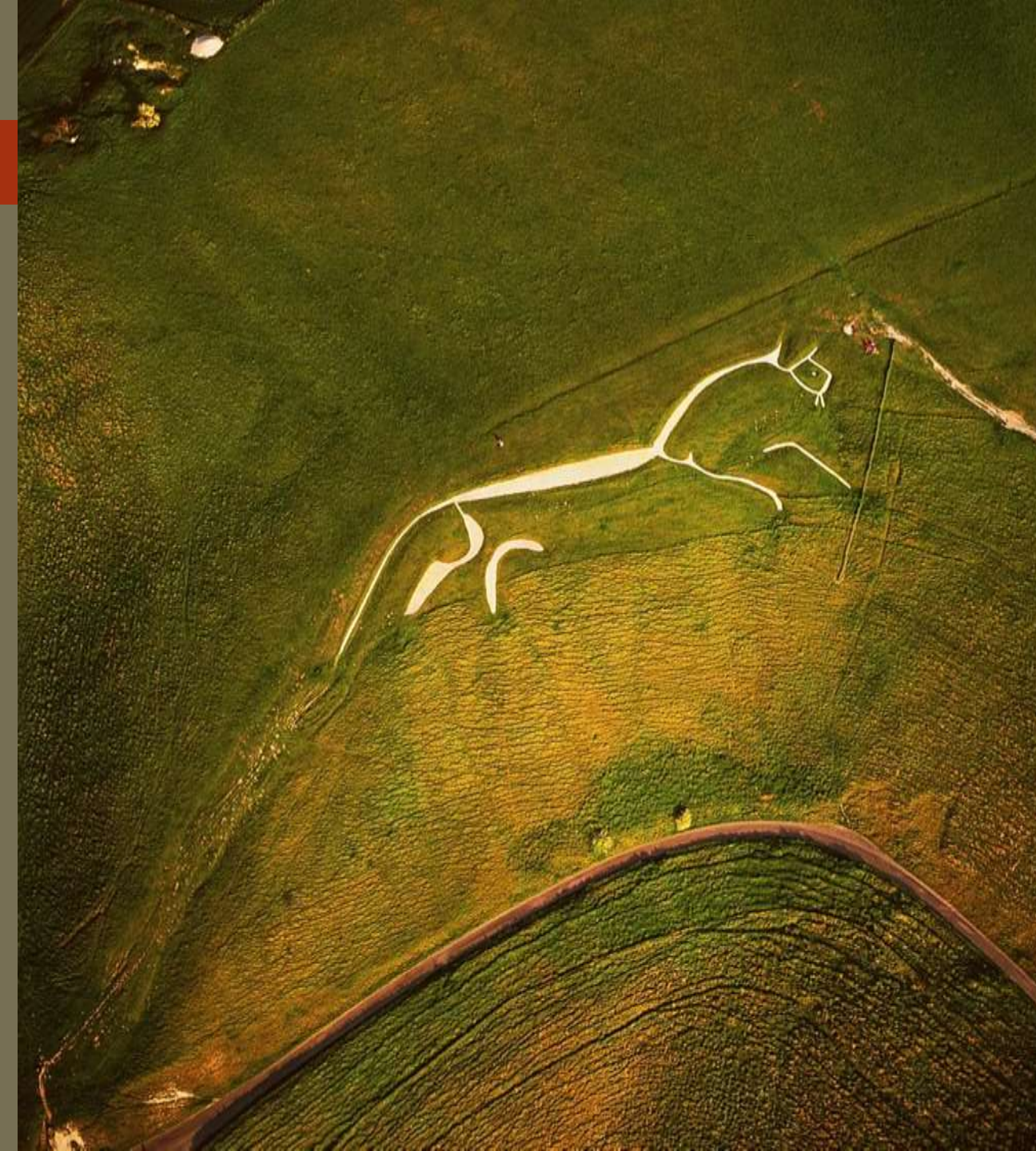
An aerial photograph of the Uffington White Horse, a large chalk figure of a horse in a field. The horse is white and stands out against the green grass. The surrounding landscape is a patchwork of green fields and brown paths. The sky is overcast and grey.

The Uffington White Horse

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The mysterious White Horse is carved into the chalk hillside above the village of Uffington.

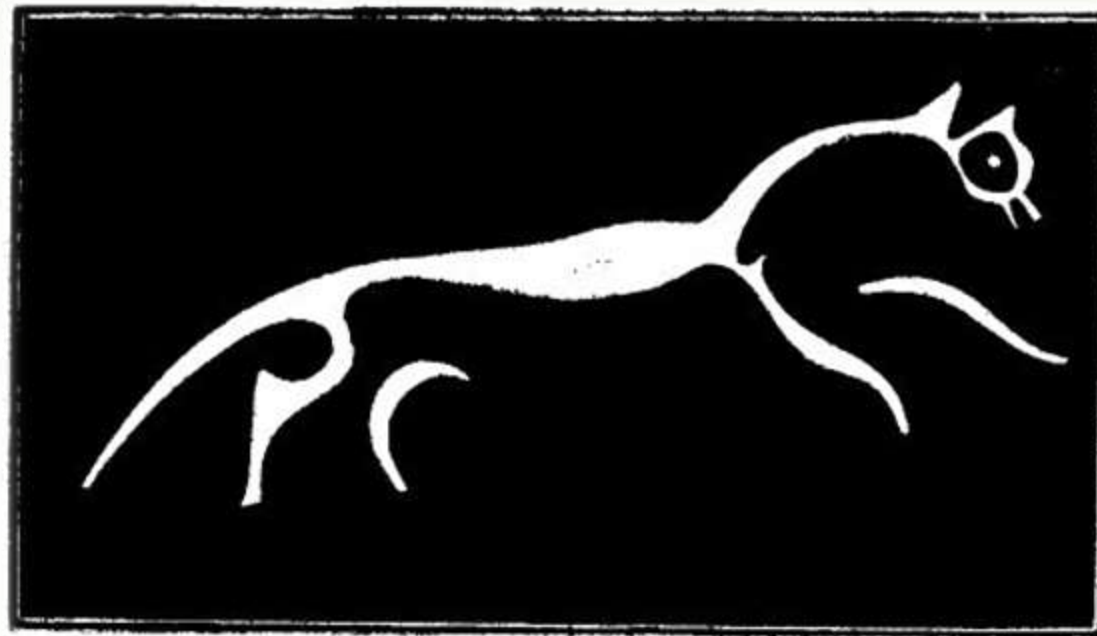
The Uffington White Horse? What is it?

- ▶ The Uffington White Horse is high on an escarpment of the Berkshire Downs below Whitehorse Hill, a mile and a half south of the village of Uffington. Measuring some 374 feet in length, the stylised image was created by digging trenches into the earth some ten feet wide, exposing the white chalk bedrock below.



History of the Uffington White Horse

- The earliest reference to the Uffington White Horse comes from the late 11th century, by which time it was already a well-established geographical feature.
- The truth, however, proved to be even more spectacular, as silt dating conducted in 1990 found that the Uffington White Horse was made during the late Bronze Age, making it approximately 3,000 years old — by far the oldest known hill figure in England.



THE WHITE HORSE AT UFFINGTON





Thank for attention!

UFFINGTON WHITE HORSE



This stylised Horse is the oldest of all the British chalk figures. Recent archaeological surveys suggest that it dates back almost 3000 years to the late Bronze or Early Iron Ages.

Its shape and position have changed little over time although it has become slightly thinner.

This figure is very fragile and is easily eroded. To avoid causing damage, please refrain from walking on it. Thank you.