

SIMPLIFIED STRATIGRAPHIC COLUMN with approximate dates for Suffolk Strata

Present Day	Post-Glacial (Holocene)	Man-made deposits. Marshland deposits; Beach deposits.
10,000 years ago	Post-Till (Pleistocene)	River Terrace deposits ('Devensian'). Interglacial deposits, including Hoxnian and Ipswichian.
440,000	Anglian Glaciation	Glacial outwash deposits. Glacial Tills, including Chalky Boulder Clay.
2.6-1.8 million	Pre-Till (Pleistocene)	Cromer Forest Bed. Kesgrave Sands and Gravels; Bytham Sands and Gravels.
4 million	Crag (Pliocene)	Norwich Crag; Chillesford Beds; Westleton Gravel. Red Crag, with phosphate ('coprolite') seams. Coralline Crag.
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52 million	Eocene	London Clay, and 'Harwich Formation' with cementstones ('septaria').
55 million	Paleocene	Woolwich and Reading Beds (Lambeth Group), with sarsens. Thanet Beds
58 million		
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75 million	Upper Cretaceous	'Upper Chalk', including 'Brandon Flint Series'. 'Middle Chalk'. 'Lower Chalk'.
99 million		

The Chalk divisions have been superseded in 'modern' geological literature (to which refer) but are used here as they will be found in older literature commonly available

2.6/ 1.8 million years ago to the present day is commonly referred to as 'Quaternary'.