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The Stone Circle is thought to be complete, and contains 19 stones. It dates from the late Neolithic period and is also known as 'Dawns Men' which could be from the Cornish 'Dans Maen' or 'Stone Dance'. The circle is approximately 24 metres in diameter with stones ranging from 1.2 to 1.4 metres tall. There was a second stone circle close by which was destroyed at the end of the 19th century. Local legend has it that 19 maidens were dancing on a Sunday and were turned to stone as punishment. The musicians who were playing for the maidens ran away but were also turned to stone and are now visible as the Pipers Stones 300 metres away to the Northeast. It is also possible to visit the Tregiffian Burial Chamber which is nearby.

### Location:

Grid Ref SW432 245  
It is located adjacent to the B3315 from Newlyn. There is informal Car Parking for several; cars at the entrance to the circle.

Below The Piper's Stone





# Map

