

Edenbridge Hop-Pickers



Large group of hop-pickers in an Edenbridge hop garden, c.1890-1900.

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The clement weather in these images belie the fact that hoppers went on picking in all types of weather. When the ground was wet the pickers might stand on wood, wear fingerless gloves or mittens, cover their heads with an empty poke or use the umbrellas brought for the children to pick into as shelter.



Women and children picking hops in a field off Hever Road, c.1912.
Could be Kelsey's hop garden at Delaware Farm, Edenbridge.

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Three families hop-picking at Kelsey's hop garden,
Delaware Farm, Edenbridge, September 1921.

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Left: Mrs Winch and her children Eileen and Walter of The Limes; Mrs Ray of Katherine Villas and her daughter Marjorie and two other family members; and Mrs Ivy Seal and her daughter Mabel of Florence Cottages.