

WELLS CATHEDRAL



An organ was built in the Cathedral by Robert Taunton in 1664, and rebuilt by Samuel Green in 1786.



In 1857 Henry Willis built a three-manual organ of forty stops, retaining some stops of the previous instrument; he added pneumatic action and a Pedal Bourdon in 1891. In 1910 a virtually new instrument was built by Harrison & Harrison, again retaining parts of the old.

In 1973 the organ was overhauled and the action converted from pneumatic to electro-pneumatic. The Positive Organ was added, the mixtures revised, and a few other tonal changes made. In 1995 selective cleaning and repairs were carried out, special attention being given to the pipework.

The organ stands on the Pulpitum, with the console on the south side. The work of 1973 included the provision of a new organ case, which was designed by Alan Rome and made by Stansells of Taunton.

HARRISON & HARRISON

1910 and 1973