

## **V&A National Art Library archival CD update June 2023**

This replaces the website advice about the 300-year gold archival CDs which we have been sending to the V&A. They have become unavailable.

The longer-term national storage of Church Records is under discussion. The V&A is the only place where all the Church Records from all the UK and the Isle of Man can be found. It is important to continue this.

The concept of a 300 year CD is a bit of an illusion because disc readers will become old technology. The CDs recommended below should suffice for the time being.

When Gold CDs run out, Groups are asked to use for their V&A copy a Verbatim White face 700MB Extra Protection CD-R. These are available in a spindle of 10 CDs from Staples <https://www.staples.co.uk/office-supplies-and-stationery/electronics-data-storage/blank-cd-and-dvd/verbatim-cd-r-datalife-non-azo-52x-700mb-pk-10-43437/>

Current Staples price is £3.36 for 10 They might be available from other suppliers. These have an extra-protection surface. Please do not use other CDs