

Neanderthal - *Homo neanderthalensis*



Height: 1.5-1.7 Metres

Weight: 54-65 kg

Occupied Kents Cavern: 400,000-40,000 years ago

The short, stocky bodies of Neanderthals were adapted to winter climates. With thick, short lower arm and leg bones making up a very strong and compact body, Neanderthals were more heavily built than modern humans and were more efficient at conserving body heat, allowing them to withstand living in cold climates during ice ages.

A 90,000 year old Neanderthal hand axe made from flint was found at Kents Cavern.

