



YORKSHIRE DALES EXPLORER WALKS PROGRAMME 2024

Guided Walks

An extensive programme of guided walks with experienced guides provides a great opportunity to see the best of the Yorkshire Dales. You are most welcome to join any of these guided walks. At all times, safety is your own responsibility. The guides reserve the right to vary walks dependent upon the weather conditions and the capabilities of the walking parties.

The walks are arranged by 'Lancashire Rail Ramblers' (Visit their website at www.railramblers.wordpress.com) and are led by volunteers from the Ramblers Association. Each walk is graded: choose to suit yourself. Should you have any doubts about your capabilities on the hills, avoid 'strenuous' graded walks.

Grades of walks

Easy stroll: Suitable for those not accustomed to walking in the countryside – these are the **G and H walks**.

Easy: A slower paced walk than for 'Moderately Easy' walks and with short periods of rest. These are normally the **F walks**.

Moderately easy: A generally easy walk which may include some short rather steep inclines, normally shown as **E walks**.

Moderate: A countryside walk for the average regular rambler. These walks may contain some climbing and ridge walking, but generally no scrambling. Normally designated **D walks**.

Within **E and D walks** are some guided walks themed as 'Flower Walks' or 'History Walks' and 'Map Reading Walks' – all are very popular.

We also have more strenuous walks

Moderately strenuous: Walks suitable for the experienced energetic walker, often at high level and over rough ground. These are the **C graded walks**.

For all walks you should have strong comfortable non-slip footwear, warm outdoor clothing and outer wind and waterproofs if the weather warrants it. On most walks, stops are made, often in the countryside, for lunch and tea, so remember to bring your own food, snacks and a drink, especially when it is hot. Where an additional coach or train journey is required for part of the walk (see walk details – highlighted in yellow), an additional fare may be payable. Details of the walks available each SATURDAY may be found on the internet at www.yorkshiredalesexplorer.com or further detailed information may be had from walks leaders on the Yorkshire Dales Explorer trains.

ALL THE WALKS ARE BASED ON USING THE FIRST YORKSHIRE DALES EXPLORER OUTWARD SERVICE AND THE LAST RETURN SERVICE

JUNE

Saturday 8th June 2024 – Ribblesdale

C Walk – 11 miles, moderately strenuous – Alight and return Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale – Gaiber – Colt Park – Park Fell – Simon Fell – Ingleborough – Quaking Pot – Green Edge – Harry Hallam’s Moss – Mere Gill Platt – Southscales Scars – Great Douk Cave – Fell Close Rocks – Gaiber – Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8.5 miles moderate – Alight Ribblesdale return Horton in Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale – Ribblesdale House – Thorns – Ribble Way – Nether Lodge – God’s Bridge – High Birkwith – Pennine Bridleway – Rape Close – Dale Mire Barn – Far Moor – Borrins – South House – Sulber Nick-Horton in Ribblesdale.

Saturday 15th June 2024

B walk – 13 miles moderately strenuous – Alight Hellifield return Settle

Hellifield – Gallaber Park – Bendgate – Cow Bridge – Ribble Way – Seed Hill – Hard Head Farm – Boostagill – Hensley Hill – Scoutber End – Bull Hurst – Low Bank Farm – Cocket Moss – Birchshow Rocks – Lower Wham – Brown House Barn – Back Lane – Tipperthwaite Barns – Giggleswick – Settle.

E walk – 8.5 miles moderate – Alight and return Settle

Settle – Brackenber Lane – Littlebank Barn – Littlebank – Swainstead Raike – Lower Sheep Wash – Low Bank Farm – Sandford Farm – Lower Wham – Wham Lane – Parson’s Close Lane – Close House – Giggleswick – Settle.

Saturday 22nd June 2024

Wharfedale

C walk – 11 miles moderately strenuous – Alight and return Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale – **Change to Leeds/Carlisle Train to Dent** – Lea Yeat – Dales Way – Hackergill Farm – Rigg End – Hingabank – Deepdale Head – High Moss – Wharfedale Summit – Grain Ings (Force Gill Waterfalls) – Little Dale – Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8 miles moderate - Alight and return Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale – **Change to Leeds/Carlisle Train to Dent** – Lea Yeat – Dales Way – Cow Dub Bridge – Dent Head Viaduct – Dales/Ribble Way – Stoops Moss – Gate Cote Hill – Gearstones – Green Slack Hill – Runscar Scar – Roger Kirk Rocks – Ribblesdale.

Saturday 29th June 2024

Community Rail Ramble to the Forest of Bowland

C walk – 10.5 miles moderate – Alight and return Clitheroe

Clitheroe – **Coach to Dunsop Bridge** – River Dunsop – Foot Holme – Costy Clough – Whitendale – Dunsop Head – Wisket Hill – Burn End – Burnside Cottage – Laythams – Parrock Head – Pain Hill – Newton – Newton Bridge – River Hodder to Slaidburn – **Coach to Clitheroe**.

E walk – 8 miles easy – Alight and return Clitheroe

Clitheroe – **Coach to Cow Ark** – Radholme Laund – Whitewell – Burholme Bridge – Burholme – Lower Thorneyholme – Mossthwaite – Knowlmere Manor – Giddy Bridge – Foulscles – Newton Bridge – River Hodder to Slaidburn – **Coach to Clitheroe**.

JULY

Saturday 6th July 2024

C walk - 11 miles moderate – Alight and return Horton in Ribblesdale

Horton in Ribblesdale – Sulber Nick Entrance – Moughton Summit – Studrigg Scar – Wharfe – Mill Bridge – Crummack Lane – Nappa Scars – Norber Erratics – Sulber Gate – Sulber Nick – Horton in Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8 miles moderate - Alight and return Horton in Ribblesdale

Horton in Ribblesdale – Sulber Nick entrance – Moughton Summit – Long Scar – Moughton Nab – Helwith Bridge – Studfold via Footbridge – White Sike Barn – Dub Cote – Horton in Ribblesdale.

F walk – 3 to 4 miles easy stroll – Alight and return Appleby

Paces Through the Past: Appleby in Westmorland.

Ribblehead – **Change to Leeds/Carlisle train to Appleby** For the Causeway, The Smithies Cave and Scattergate Green. For the Medieval St. Michaels and the Earl's Bongate Mill. For Watchmakers and Cheesemakers and their Royalists Taverns. Tales of scolds and doom, of rotten broughs and a church organist's sins. **Carlisle/Leeds train to Ribblehead**.

Saturday 13th July 2024

A walk – 12.5 miles strenuous – Alight Horton in Ribblesdale return Ribblehead

Ingleborough & Whernside

Horton in Ribblesdale – Sulber Nick – Fell Beck Head – Ingleborough Summit – Humphrey Bottom – Southerscales Scars – Hill Inn – Philpin Lane – Bruntscar – Whernside Summit – Old route to Winterscales Farm – Batty Green – Ribblehead.

E walk – 8.5 miles moderate - Alight Horton in Ribblesdale return Ribblehead

Horton in Ribblesdale – New Houses – Fawber – Top Farm – Ribble Way – Old Ing – Ling Gill Bridge – Scald Bank – Nether Lodge – Ribble Way – Thorns – Ribblehead House – Ribblehead

Saturday 20th July 2024

C walk – 12.5 miles strenuous - Alight and return Horton in Ribblesdale
Horton in Ribblesdale – Scar Lane – Pen y Ghent – Crooke – Crooke Gill – Giant’s Grave – Blishmire House – Dale Head – Churn Milk Hole – Long Lane – Helwith Bridge – Ribble Way – Cragghill Farm – Tay Bridge – Horton in Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8.5 miles moderately strenuous - Alight and return Horton in Ribblesdale
Horton in Ribblesdale – Brackenbottom – Pen y Ghent – Plover Hill – Foxup Moor – Swarth Gill Gate – Horton Moor – Hull Pot – Scar Lane – Horton in Ribblesdale.

Saturday 27th July 2024

SWALEDALE

D walk – 10 miles moderately strenuous – Alight and return Ribblehead
Ribblehead – **Coach to Thwaite** – Pennine Way – Great Shunner Fell – Crag End Beacon – Herne Top – Hardraw – Haylands Bridge – Hawes – **Coach to Ribblehead**.

E walk – 6 miles moderate – Alight and return Ribblehead
Ribblehead – **Coach to Muker** – Kisdon – North Gang Scar – Birk Hill – Kisdon Force – Crackpot Hall – Fair Yew End – River Swale - Muker – **Coach to Ribblehead**.

AUGUST

Saturday 3rd August 2024

C walk – 11 miles moderate - Alight Ribblehead return Horton in Ribblesdale
Ribblehead – Gauber Road – Ingman Lodge – Nether Lodge – Ling Gill Rigg – Ling Gill Bridge – High Greenfield Lings (Cow Pasture) – Birkwith Moor – Pennine Way – Top Farm – Fawber – New Houses – Horton in Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8 miles easy - Alight and return Ribblehead
Ribblehead – Batty Green – Bleamoor Sidings – Winterscales Farm – Ivescar – Broadrake – Ellerbeck – Chapel-le-Dale – Souther Scales – Great Douk Cave – Fell Close Rocks – Farmstead – Gauber – Ribblehead.

F walk – 3 to 4 miles easy stroll - Alight and return Settle
Paces Through the past: Giggleswick, the Village of Ghigel.
For Elgar’s Retreat, Queens Rock, The Huntsman’s Cottage and a Public School. Tales of those Stolen Stocks, Georgs Foxe’s and ‘those Jacobite’ visits and Harrison’s Good War

Saturday 10th August 2024

C walk – 13 miles strenuous - Alight Hellifield return Settle
Hellifield – Haw Lane – Hellifield Moor – Ouskill Barn – Ebor Gate – Rye Loaf Hill – Nappa Cross – Langscar – Pennine Bridleway – Gorbeck – Jubilee Cave – Attermire Scar – Settle.

E walk – 8.5 miles moderately easy - Alight Hellifield return Settle
Hellifield – Little Newton – Water Fall Rock – Langber Lane – Scaleber Force – Attermire Scar
– Clay Pits Plantation – Pennine Bridleway – Settle.

Saturday 17th August 2024

D walk – 10 miles moderate - Alight and return Ribblesdale
Ribblesdale – **Change to Leeds/Carlisle train to Dent** - Coal Road – Great Knoutberry Hill –
Arten Gill – Dent Head Farm – Blea Moor – Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8 miles moderately strenuous - Alight and return Settle
Settle – Castlebergh – Attermire Scar – Victoria Cave – Jubilee Cave – Upper Winskill – Catrigg
Force – Stainforth – Hoffman Kiln – Langcliffe – Settle.

Saturday 24th August 2024

C walk – 13.5 miles strenuous – Alight and return Horton in Ribblesdale
Horton in Ribblesdale – Scar Lane – Hull Pot – Foxup Moor – Foxup – Hesleden Bergh –
Giant’s Grave – Blishmire Close – Dale Head – Churn Milk Hole – Dub Cote – Horton in
Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8 miles easy – Alight Horton in Ribblesdale return Settle.
Horton in Ribblesdale – Ribble Way – Cragghill Farm – Foredale – Swarth Moor – Little Sunny
Bank Barn – Little Stainforth – Stainforth Force – Ribble Way – Stackhouse – Settle.

F walk – 5 miles easy - Alight and return Langwathby
Paces Through the Past: Eden Hall.
Ribblesdale – **Change to Leeds/Carlisle train to Langwathby** - A raised village, a deserted
church and a Vanished Hall and Ladies Walk. Tales of Drovers and Reivers, of Potters and
Plague, of Baronets and Sheriffs and Men of the Cloth. **Carlisle/Leeds train to Ribblesdale.**

Saturday 31st August 2024

Community Rail Ramble to the Forest of Bowland

C walk – 11 miles moderate - Alight and return Clitheroe
Clitheroe – **Coach to Slaidburn** – Holmehead Bridge – Hammerton Hall – Reservoir Dam –
Fisheries House – Eak Hill – Lamb Hill Farm – Cross of Greet Bridge – Catlow – New House
– Hasgill Bridge – School Lane – Causeway – Hammerton Hall – Slaidburn – **Coach to Clitheroe**

E walk – 8.5 miles easy - Alight and return Clitheroe
Clitheroe – **Coach to Slaidburn** – Tenter Hill – Myttons – Croasdale House – Harkers – Lane
Side – Eak Hill – Fisheries House – Reservoir Dam – Hammerton Hall – Holmehead Bridge –
Bell Sykes – Lower High Field – Slaidburn – **Coach to Clitheroe.**

SEPTEMBER

Saturday 7th September 2024

C walk – 11 miles moderately strenuous - Alight and return Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale – **Change to Leeds/Carlisle train to Garsdale** – Garsdale Common – Galloway Gate – Crosshills Wold – Green Bank – Cross Pits – Swineley Cowm – Newby Head Gate – Black Rake Road – Gearstones – Ribblesdale.

E walk – 8 miles easy - Alight Hellifield return Settle

Hellifield – Little Newton – New House Lane – Holme Bridge – Scalehaw Hill – Langber Lane – Scaleber Force – Sugar Loaf Hill – Attermire Scar – Settle.

Saturday 14th September 2024

WENSLEYDALE

D walk – 9.5 miles moderately strenuous - Alight and return Ribblesdale

Ribblesdale – **Coach to Hawes** – Gayle – East End – Yorburch – Flint Hill – Swallow Hole – Silka Side – Common Allotments – Crag Side Road – Marsett Lane – Semer Water Bridge – River Bain – Bainbridge – **Coach to Ribblesdale**.

Alight and return Ribblesdale

E walk 8 miles moderately easy

Ribblesdale – **Coach to Bainbridge** – Yore Bridge – Grange – Mill Gill – Whitfield Gill Force – Helm – Skellgill Lane – Spen Top – Shaw Cote – Litherskew – Sedbusk – Haylands Bridge – Hawes – **Coach to Ribblesdale**.

F walk – 2 to 3 miles - Alight and return Carlisle

A Snail Pace Stroll: 2 to 3 hours:

Ribblesdale - **Change to Leeds/Carlisle train to Carlisle** The city that locked up Kinmont Willie, that created a Three Shilling Piece and kept Lancelot Salkeld in a job. Tales of Richard the 3rd Visit, of the saving of the Cathedral Bells, and of Lord Dacre's Bluff. **Carlisle/Leeds train to Ribblesdale**.

Saturday 21st September 2024

C walk – 11 miles moderate - Alight Horton in Ribblesdale return Settle

Horton in Ribblesdale – Ribble Way – Cragghill Farm – Foredale – Around Moughton Scar to Studrigg Scar – Wharfe – Wharfe Wood – Oxenber Wood – Hale Lane – Feizor – Feizor Thwaite – Giggleswick Scar – Giggleswick – Settle.

D walk – 9 miles moderate - Alight and return Settle

Settle – Giggleswick – Tipperthwaite Barns – Lane End House – Lawkland Green – Lawkland – Feizor – Stackhouse – Ribble Way – Settle.

Saturday 28th September 2024

C walk – 13 miles moderately strenuous - Alight and return Settle

Settle – Pennine Bridleway – Jubilee Cave – Gorbeck – Streets – Malham Tarn House – Lings Plantation – Langscar Gate – Nappa Cross – Stockdale Lane – Attermire – Settle.

E walk – 8.5 miles easy - Alight and return Settle

Settle – Brockhole Lane – Hoyman Laithe – High Mearbeck Farm – Hunter Bark – Lambert Lane – Sugar Loaf Hill – Victoria Cave – Clay Pits Plantation – Pennine Bridleway – Settle.



NORTHERN