

# What r u doing this weekend?

Whether holidaying with your family, on your first independent trip, or visiting with a group of friends, the National Park has something for you. There's stacks for young people to do in the Dales and plenty of space to do it in.

Put everything you need into a bag and jump on a bus or train to start your own mini - or mighty - adventure. With youth hostels, bunk barns and campsites to choose from, staying overnight on a budget doesn't need to be a problem either.



Download our free Yorkshire Dales National Park smartphone app - available for iPhone, Android, Symbian and Blackberry. With facts, trails and even 360 degree panoramas, there should be plenty to get you inspired.

Check out our fact sheets for safety tips, what to bring and what to expect on a day out in the hills, and always follow the countryside code. [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/youngpeople](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/youngpeople)



If two wheels are your thing, [www.cyclethedaes.org.uk](http://www.cyclethedaes.org.uk) has everything you need to know to get out on your bike in the National Park. There are lovely gentle rides in valley bottoms right up to the challenge of the 130 mile Yorkshire Dales Cycle Way. Or if you like to go off the beaten track then [www.mtbthedaes.org.uk](http://www.mtbthedaes.org.uk) is for you. Harvey's Maps available at National Park Centres show graded mountain bike routes.

Browse [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/traveldales](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/traveldales) or the journey planner on [www.transportdirect.info](http://www.transportdirect.info) for how to get to and through the National Park.

Music, drama, caving...the Dales has a festival to cover it! Get a taster of what's on at [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/festivals](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/festivals).



Ingleton Overground Underground Festival (27 May to 4 June) offers traditional and unexpected ways to experience the landscape, above and below ground, you can 'Ride2Stride' on foot and by rail at the Settle-Carlisle Walking Festival (1 to 7 May), while at Dentdale Music & Beer Festival (22-24 June), well...it does what it says on the tin!

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## Why bother?

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Born in Bradford, John Dunne, 43, was the first person to free climb the central wall of Malham Cove from the beck to the terrace 270 feet above in 1988.

"Climbing in the Yorkshire Dales National Park gave me life-changing experiences. Early walking trips soon led onto climbing and exploring its world class venues.

"The Dales are a great place to experience the fantastic climbing, from the easier climbs of Twisleton and Giggleswick Scars to the huge overhanging face of Malham Cove.

"Make it a priority to see the very best the Dales has to offer!"

Britain's winning landscapes is the theme of National Parks Week 2012 (30 July to 5 August) in celebration of an Olympic year. It aims to encourage young people to get outdoors and be healthier, however you choose to do it.

Visit the event section of our website to find out what's in store - and look out for John again in 2012 as our embodiment of the Dales competitive spirit and personal challenge!

Catch a glimpse of the Olympic torch when it passes through Aysgarth on 20 June and Skipton on 24 June.



## Get into geocaching

In this fun sport you hunt out carefully hidden 'treasure' using maps and satellite navigation devices. If you find a cache or box (and some are very hard to spot!) there will often be trade items inside - if you take one you must leave something in its place - as well as a logbook and information about the landscape features around you.

We have put together several geocaching trails in the National Park - look at [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/geocaching](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/geocaching) or ask at National Park Centres. Just follow the clues using a handheld GPS unit - you can hire them from us. Be careful that no-one sees you fetching the cache from its hiding place though - non-geocachers are called 'muggles'!

To get going, why not join the experts. Learn essential map reading skills with our Pathfinder courses (see page 18) or get a taste of mountain-biking (National Trust taster days on 8 June, 28 July and 11 August).

You can also experience everything from drystone walling and fell running at an annual village show to falconry and archery (see Coniston Hotel on back cover) and even re-enactments at Bolton or Skipton Castles. Check the events listing and ads for ideas.

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Need some help? We've got it covered. Visit our website [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk), ask us questions or swap National Park tips with others via Twitter or Facebook, or give our National Park Centres a ring - the friendly staff are there to help you (see page 5 for contact details)

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For your chance to win this super prize send in your questionnaire right away!

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3. What did you find most useful?

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## Campaign - Protect - Enjoy

The Yorkshire Dales Society, an independent charity, works to both celebrate and protect the special landscape and culture of the Dales, whilst supporting measures to safeguard the local economy, especially upland farming.

Based within the Dales, the Society supports the work of the Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority and other agencies to prevent damage and degradation to this unique heritage by unsightly development, yet seeks to encourage environmentally sustainable forms of tourism and recreation, especially

when such activities support the local economy and small businesses.

The Society's Dales & Bowland Community Interest Company now manages the Sunday and Bank Holiday DalesBus network to provide sustainable access into the National Park to help reduce congestion and carbon.

Members of the Society enjoy regular lectures, walks and visits, and receive the quarterly Yorkshire Dales Review with thought-provoking articles of interest to everyone who cares about the area.



YDS members learning about hay meadows near Winskill, Ribblesdale

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Drop into our National Park Centres for help planning your trip - see page 5



# Distinctly Dales

What makes the Dales the Dales? Local legends, curious landscape features, village shows with age-old traditions, dialect words, local food and drink - it is the distinctive yet sometimes less obvious things that can make a place so special and that, once discovered, can also make our experience of it all the more enjoyable.

Major landmarks and famous sights can mark one place out against another but it's not just big features that form an impression. It's everything, little and large, natural and man-made, which combine to create a true 'sense of place'.

Sometimes what makes an experience most thrilling is the smaller details that are easily missed, but which we love once we know about them.

So next time you visit the National Park, take it slowly, look closely, and have a distinctive experience all of your own.

There are placenames in the Dales that are Anglo Saxon - Swale ('rushing'), Ribble ('boundary') - but it was the Viking invaders who left the biggest mark. *Gill* ('ravine'), *foss* ('waterfall') and *thwaite* ('clearing') are all down to them, as is the most common place name element *by* (Carperby, Thoralbby) meaning 'farm'.

Sheep creeps are holes in drystone walls which allow sheep to pass between fields - usually to get to water - but which are too small for cattle. Smaller holes were sometimes created for rabbits as it prevented them burrowing and causing the wall to collapse - often a 'drop box' was fitted one side to catch them.



Scattered around the moors and valleys, sheepfolds are stone enclosures for gathering sheep for treatment or transportation. Washing the sheep before taking them to market meant the price of wool would be increased, so some were built near becks and gills. The beck would be dammed to raise the water level and the sheep pushed in and under with sticks for a thorough drenching.

The ancient ritual of Burning Bartle takes place every year in the village of West Witton near Leyburn. On the Saturday nearest to St. Bartholomew's Day (24 August) a larger than life figure is paraded down the village main street accompanied by repeated chants of the

Bartle doggerel.  
When Bartle reaches 'his end' in Grassgill, he is set alight, accompanied by songs and cheers from the assembled masses!  
Find out about other village shows on pages 15-25.



Wensleydale cheese creates a strong association with the Dales, but there are many fantastic local food and drink producers and products. Ask around for local recommendations.

Crook Gill packhorse bridge in Wharfedale would have been an important part of an old trading route. You can often spot what might have been a packhorse bridge by its lack of side walls.



Myths and legends abound in the Dales. You may be pleased to find Janet, Queen of the Faeries, at enchanting Janet's Foss waterfall in Malham - but beware the devil dog, the Barguest, that haunts Troller's Gill!

Copper coins have been hammered into this dead tree trunk for good luck for many years. There is also a money tree at Bolton Abbey.

Coin tree, Janet's Foss, Malham



The stone slab in the verge by Ivelet Bridge was said to have been a coffin stone, set there for the purpose of resting the wicker baskets taken along the Corpse Way from Upper Swaledale for burial in the churchyard at Grinton. This practice continued until 1580 when Muker churchyard was consecrated.

Local legend has it that Lady Hill in Wensleydale was named after Mary Queen of Scots who was imprisoned at Castle Bolton. This prominent drumlin - egg-shaped ridge formed by glaciers - just to the west of the castle was planted with Scots Pine trees, perhaps to improve her view? It was also a purpose-built rabbit warren used for breeding silver haired rabbits whose skins were in particular demand in the eighteenth century.

Until the eighteenth century, two stone posts cut with sockets and grooves was a common gate design; removable wooden poles closed the gap. Originally for animals, most are too narrow for vehicles, and one post was often removed to widen access. It is now unusual to find both gateposts still in place. Some of the best examples can be seen in Coverdale.





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**Saturday 4th August** - Thirsk Summer Cup  
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**Monday 20th August** - Family Day  
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**Tuesday 18th September** - Final Meeting

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## Your Yorkshire Dales National Park: a snapshot

What do you love about the National Park and would like to see looked after? What things would you change if you could to keep or improve the area as a special place to live, work and visit?

We are running a photo competition to help us find out.

Images have to be of the Yorkshire Dales National Park and there are four broad themes to enter them under:

- wildlife and habitats
- people and places
- fun and adventure
- farming, tourism and other employment

Each photo must be accompanied by a brief explanation as to why you feel it illustrates what you'd like the National Park to be like in ten years time. Judges will be looking at both the image and text when making their decision.

It's free to enter and you can submit up to five images - the deadline is 3pm on 9 November 2012. Winners will be announced on 23 November 2012.

For details and full terms and conditions visit [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/your](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/your)

### Prizes

The winners (both an adult and an under-18s prize will be awarded) will receive a framed copy of their image - which will also be published in The Visitor 2013 - plus a backpack filled with delicious local produce to help keep them fuelled on their next photo expedition.

The top 5 photos will be turned into postcards sold at National Park Centres and feature on [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk).

The top 20 photos will feature in a public exhibition in February 2013 at Dales Countryside Museum and appear in the National Park Management Plan and Vision documents.




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## Fell and cave rescue

The three Yorkshire-based rescue teams - all staffed by highly trained volunteers - don't just help potholers and climbers, they are just as likely to be called to walkers. In fact simple slips causing ankle and knee injuries at lower levels create the majority of incidents.

Swaledale Mountain Rescue Team, Upper Wharfedale Fell Rescue Association and the Cave

In an emergency, would you know how to get help? Whatever your activity, if you're away from a road and need a rescue team...

1. Call 999
2. Ask for 'Police' and say which county you are in
3. Ask the Police for 'cave' or 'fell' rescue
4. Say where you are and give a description and grid reference
5. Describe the problem and answer any other questions
6. Stay by a phone or where you can maintain a signal on your mobile, keeping the line clear so you can be called back.

The rescue team will call other services as required.



Stabilising a canyoneer with fractured leg near Beezley Falls, Ingleton, while other CRO members provide security and prepare for the lift out.

Rescue Organisation (supported by Kendal and Kirkby Stephen MRTs which operate in Cumbria) provide a 24 hour a day 365 days a year safety net for anyone who ventures off the beaten track, whether above or below ground.

Although the Police have overall responsibility for inland search and rescue, the voluntary teams work alongside the statutory emergency services, using their skills and experience to go to parts that others can't reach.

Between them, the three teams respond to around 150 call outs each year. It costs about £30,000 annually to run each team, all from fundraising.

To find out more, visit the teams online at [www.swaledalemrt.org.uk](http://www.swaledalemrt.org.uk), [www.uwfra.org.uk](http://www.uwfra.org.uk) and [www.cro.org.uk](http://www.cro.org.uk)

The National Park Authority has helped fund 'Calling for help' advice cards - pick one up from National Park Centres, shops and cafes.

The Cave Rescue Organisation in Clapham is believed to be the first in the world. It was formed after an incident at Gingle Hole in 1934 - a potholer broke his leg and the long drawn out rescue provided a serious lesson for all. The following month, Settle St John Ambulance, Giggleswick School and six potholing clubs met and proposed the world's first cavers' self-help group.



# Easy going Yorkshire Dales

Public access is at the very heart of the Yorkshire Dales National Park.

National Parks were founded sixty years ago with the firm belief that everyone had the right to the clean air and spiritual refreshment the countryside provided, and we believe that all should be able to enjoy this beautiful landscape, no matter what their level of ability.

Reducing physical barriers - such as improving damaged or uneven paths, replacing difficult stiles with gates, and the general easing of use on rights of way for all - can benefit everyone.

Whether you are visiting as a young family with pushchairs, have limited mobility or are a wheelchair user, or have a dog who just isn't that keen on stiles, we have been working hard to ensure that you can share in and enjoy the National Park, too.

A good example is the barrier reduction work carried out in the Cumbrian part of the National Park over the last few years by our Ranger Service and Dales Volunteers.

The principle was to improve access wherever

possible, removing any obstacle that would make difficult, impede or otherwise deter use of the route, but making any changes as carefully and sensitively as possible to maintain character. By making these alterations our hope is that more opportunities are created for getting people of all abilities out into the wider countryside.

This type of work has to be done in close negotiation with the landowner. All gates and stiles are their ownership and responsibility and their needs must be carefully considered too, as the boundary crossing has to remain livestock proof. Walls, fences and hedges are more secure with a stile set within them, so it is essential that the new gates are closed by anyone passing through them to avoid sheep and cattle escaping.



Sedbergh and the Howgill Fells from Combe Scar

Cumbria Area Ranger Paul Wilkinson has suggested two great trails packed with interest on improved routes around Sedbergh, which lies at the foot of the beautiful Howgill Fells in the north west of the National Park.

Both offer fine views and easy walking with gentle inclines and gates only, no stiles. Please note that fields are likely to contain livestock, and take care when crossing the busy main and back roads.

Both walks are linear - you can return to Sedbergh by retracing your steps and enjoy a different view on the way back - but there are plenty of opportunities to use other paths to vary the trip so do take a good map: OS Explorer 1:25,000 is recommended. It is not advisable to use the main roads in order to create a circular walk.

**Route 1**  
**Sedbergh East: Farfield Mill & Dowbiggin**

**Distance** 1¼ miles (2km) one way or 2½ miles (4km) return


**Time** allow 2-3 hours

**Route** From the main car park on Joss Lane in Sedbergh, turn left along Main Street and then right on to Back Lane heading towards the pedestrian crossing. Crossing over, turn left and then turn right along Vicarage Lane. Turn right onto the footpath below the Old Vicarage and school buildings taking the footpath on the left of the school playing fields to reach the north bank of the River Rawthey at New Bridge. Cross the main road on this side of New Bridge and follow the footpath over fields to the main Cautley Valley road at Straight Bridge.

Crossing over the road bridge, turn right down Row Lane, a quiet, walled and hedged lane, towards Garsdale Bridge and Farfield Row. Cross Garsdale Bridge for the short walk along the walled lane high above the River Clough to Farfield Mill Arts and Heritage Centre.

To extend your walk take the footpath heading from Garsdale Bridge on the left before crossing the River Clough. This follows the riverbank over fields to Hall Bank and Dowbiggin Lane.



 The 'Access for all abilities' section of our website [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk) contains lots of useful information to help you decide whether a right of way or opportunities for recreation are suitable for you.

There are five free Access for All publications to download covering Malhamdale & Ribblesdale, Swaledale & Arkengarthdale, Wensleydale, Wharfedale and Garsdale, Dentdale & Sedbergh which contain 17 further trails, as well as attractions and points of interest. You can also pick these up at National Park Centres.

The 'Miles Without Stiles' section of the website has interactive maps which allow you to look at a route in detail, including the size and type of gate or stile and judge whether it's right for you.

**Route 2**  
**Sedbergh West: Brigflatts**

**Distance** 1½ miles (2.4km) one way or 3 miles (4.8km) return

**Time** allow 3-4 hours

**Route** From the main car park on Joss Lane in Sedbergh, turn right along Main Street to Station Road. Cross Station Road and take the footpath on the right of St Andrews Church and the cricket pavilion, heading south along lanes and over fields.

Cross Busk Lane and continue to Birks Lane. Walk along Birks Lane for a short distance and take the footpath on the right into fields heading west, passing under the disused railway line and onwards to the hamlet of Brigflatts and the peace and solitude of the Quaker Meeting House and garden.





# Wensleydale

Famous for its hills and dales, historic villages, traditional markets and crafts, Wensleydale provides an excellent holiday base from which to explore the Yorkshire Dales.

Water is an important feature. The three steps of Aysgarth Falls and the highest single-drop waterfall in England, Hardraw Force, but there are many others to enjoy.

West Burton - in the Walden Valley - has its own spectacular waterfall, Cauldron Falls, made famous by the artist J M W Turner - and Mill Gill Falls at Askrigg and Cotter Force to the west are equally magnificent throughout the year.

Semer Water is the largest natural lake in the Dales. With its calmer waters, it provides activities for anglers, canoeists and sailors.

Hawes is home to the Dales Countryside Museum, world-famous Wensleydale Creamery, Ropemakers and the recently restored Gayle Mill (pictured) as seen on the BBC's Restoration. From here you can

also set off on a red squirrel trail to see these loveable creatures making a comeback in their natural habitat - ask for details at the National Park Centre.

Lower Wensleydale's main town is Leyburn with its three distinct cobbled squares where the thriving market is held every Friday.

Bainbridge has a fascinating Roman history, being the location of a Roman road and fort, and across the River Ure is the village of Askrigg -



Gayle Mill

the home of the fictional vet James Herriott from TV series 'All Creatures Great and Small'.

For your very own secret garden experience, visit the wonderful Aysgarth Edwardian Rock Garden, commissioned by local landowner Frank Sayer-Graham (1859-1946). It has such a fascinating story that it is now Grade II listed.

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There is a thriving network of local artists and craftspeople whose work is inspired by this stunning landscape and can provide the perfect way to remember your visit.

## Explore from the door

Whilst you are here why not take the opportunity to really get to know the local area. There is so much to see and do, and taking the time to explore will reveal those quirky features which make it all the more memorable.

Why not ask your accommodation provider for ideas of what you can do straight from the door?

## Respect...Protect...Enjoy

We want you to enjoy your visit - and for other people to enjoy themselves just as much after you have gone home - so please follow the Countryside Code:

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- Leave gates and property as you find them
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- Keep dogs under close control
- Consider other people.

Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority and Nidderdale Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty are encouraging and supporting tourism businesses in taking simple measures to minimise threats to the environment, enhance visitors' experience and reduce costs at the same time. Find out more at [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/sustainabletourism](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/sustainabletourism)



Rosemary Hyslop of Layhead Farm Cottages set up a local produce armchair shopping service for her visitors

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Businesses in and near the National Park recognise that they are operating in a special area and are proud of their green credentials. Many have taken actions to make their businesses more environmentally friendly and some have even gone the extra mile and been accredited under the Green Tourism Business Scheme - look out for the green leaf symbol.



## Keeping the Dales special

There are many ways to get involved. You could join one of the Friends organisations, such as Friends of the Dales Countryside Museum and enjoy access to special events, or Friends of the Three Peaks (see below).

You could plant a tree through the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust or support Donate to the Dales to help with conservation projects - National Park Centres and many businesses carry donation boxes and further information.

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Accommodation

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2 Double (1 en suite, 1 pb), 1 Twin (pb)  
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Cottage sleeps 2-6  
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Cottage sleeps 5  
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**Facilities symbols**

Accommodation providers were asked to list up to eight of the key facilities they offer.

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Dishwasher

Dogs / pets by arrangement

Dogs / pets not accepted

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Ground floor bedroom(s)

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Cottage sleeps 1-5  
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Self Catering ★★★★★ VB



# Dentdale & Sedbergh

Discover Dentdale at the far west of the National Park, nestled between the rugged Pennines and Howgill Fells.

It's steep-sided valley contrasts meadows and lush riverside pastures with sparser grassy fells and the impressive viaducts at Denthead and Arten Gill carry the Settle-Carlisle railway along the dale to Dent, the highest mainline station in England.

Along Dent's cobbled streets are an art gallery, blacksmith's shop and memorial fountain to famous son, geologist Adam Sedgwick, as well as Dent Brewery.

The altar flagstones at St. Andrew's Church are made from the black Dent Marble, the area's most famous mining export, and the lives and customs of local people since the sixteenth century - including the 'Terrible Knitters of Dent' - are revealed at the Dent Village Heritage Centre.

A wonderful short but stony walk south of the

village takes you up beautiful Flintergill for elevated views, passing a field barn which has been turned into a fascinating showcase of the area's farming past and the wishing tree on the way.

Find out more at [www.discoverdentdale.co.uk](http://www.discoverdentdale.co.uk).



Dent's cobbled streets

Set at the foot of the beautiful Howgill Fells, the stone-built market town of Sedbergh (pronounced

'Sed-ber') is overlooked by Castlehow, the site of an ancient motte and bailey castle.

It became England's Book Town in 2003 and boasts several special interest booksellers as well as an annual Festival of Books and Drama.

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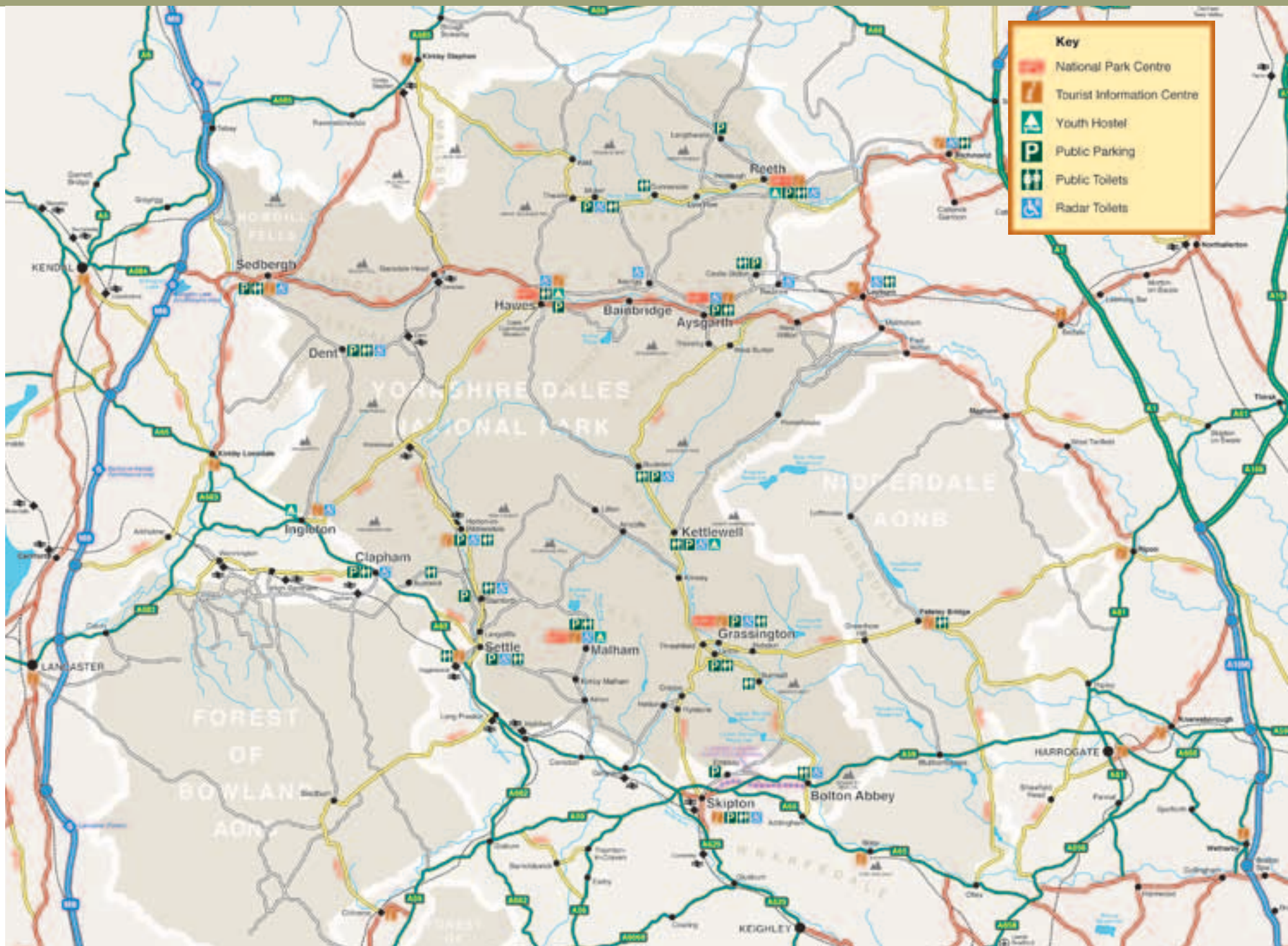
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**Monday:** Kendal (indoor), Kirkby Stephen, Skipton, Thirsk

**Tuesday:** Bedale, Hawes, Kendal (indoor), Settle, Wigton, Richmond (indoor)

**Wednesday:** Barnard Castle, Bentham, Brompton, Kendal (indoor and outdoor), Knaresborough, Masham, Northallerton, Sedbergh, Skipton

**Thursday:** Kendal (indoor), Kirkby Lonsdale, Richmond (indoor), Ripon

**Friday:** Appleby (indoor), Ingleton, Kendal (indoor), Leyburn, Reeth, Skipton, Richmond (indoor)

**Saturday:** Appleby, Kendal (indoor and outdoor), Masham, Northallerton, Richmond, Skipton, Thirsk

### Cashpoints

Bentham, Grassington, Hawes, Kirkby Lonsdale, Leyburn, Richmond, Sedbergh, Settle, Skipton

## Stride out

Walking is one of the best loved activities in the Yorkshire Dales.

The 'Getting active' section of [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk) has lots of suggestions for short and long trails around the National Park with free maps and easy instructions to download, so just take your pick!

Or you could join one of our guided walks led by experts - from discovering red squirrel country or lead mining remains to wildflower identification - see pages 15-25.

Why not give your car a holiday, too, and use the bus or train for a day out. The Settle-Carlisle



railway offers spectacular views you can't see from the road and the chance to explore feats of Victorian engineering along the way, such as Ribbleshead viaduct. Our Blea Moor guided walk on 15 August includes a ride on the historic line.

Visit [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/traveldales](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk/traveldales) for more information on getting to and around the National Park using public transport. There are also eight linear walks to choose from - just get the bus or train to the start and walk back.

Our National Park Centres (see page 5) have maps and books covering walks for all tastes and abilities. You could even try geocaching, a 'treasure trail' adventure using a GPS receiver. Our Information Advisers will be happy to help.

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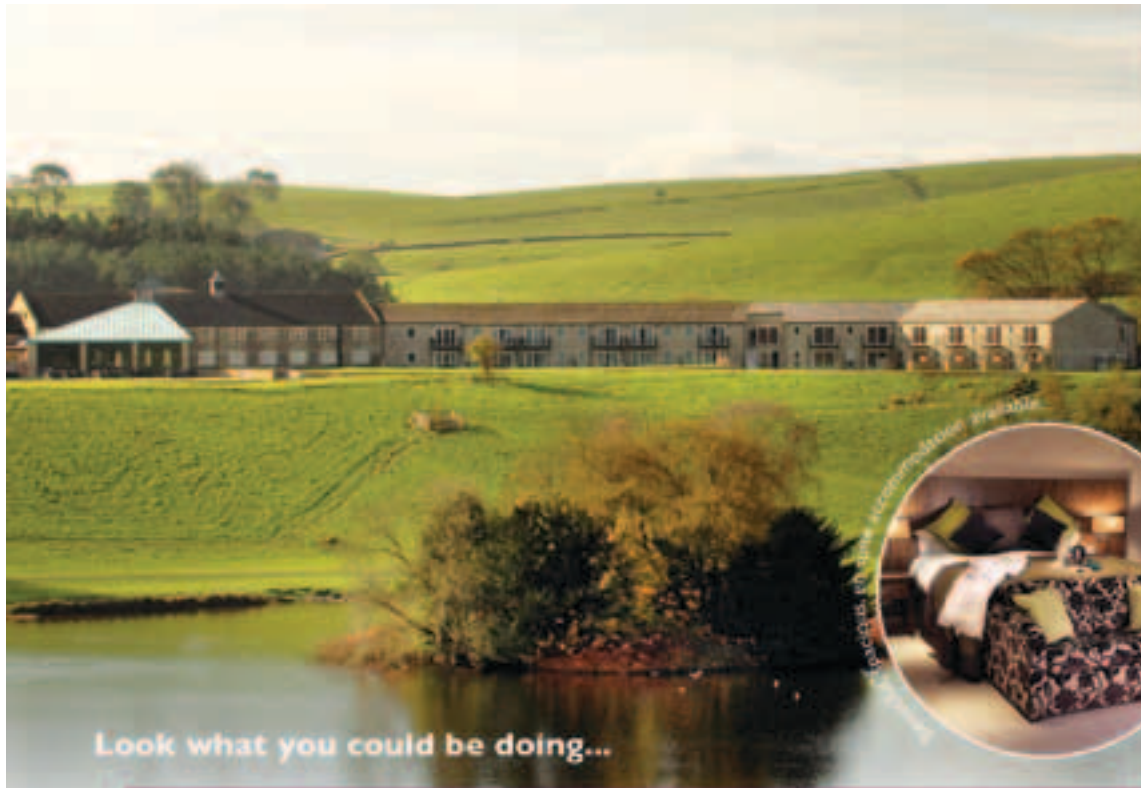
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