

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY

9. Hutton le Hole & Pickering

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122. Catch the 1130 128 to Kirkbymoorside (arrive 1150) and catch the 1200 M3 to Hutton le Hole (arrive 1208).

Tea rooms, pub, toilets and award-winning Ryedale Folk Museum with reconstructed buildings from the Iron Age to the 1950s.

Depart Hutton le Hole at 1347 on the M3 to Pickering, arriving at 1410.

Shops, pubs, castle, tea rooms, toilets, Beck Isle Museum, steam railway, medieval wall paintings in parish church.

Leave Pickering on the 128 to Helmsley at 1540 (arrive 1621). Catch the 1631 M5 back to Thirsk (arrive 1709).

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10. Stokesley or Great Ayton

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122. Board the 1127 M4 and get off in Stokesley (arrive 1214) or Great Ayton (arrive 1227).

Pubs, cafes, shops, and pleasant walks at each, plus the Captain Cook Schoolhouse Museum in Great Ayton.

Return on M4 to Helmsley from Gt Ayton at 1458, or from Stokesley at 1509. Arrives Helmsley at 1557, and then catch the M5 at 1631 back to Thirsk (arrive 1709).

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11. Coxwold & Helmsley

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Coxwold at 1100.

The church, Shandy Hall (eighteenth century home of the author Laurence Sterne) and its gardens are well worth visiting, as is the Fauconberg Arms or the tearooms.

If you're having a Sunday lunch here you could catch the 1453 back to Thirsk (arrive 1509).

If you're only in Coxwold for a short stay, catch the 1400 to Helmsley (arrive 1422) and after an afternoon in Helmsley, depart Helmsley on M5 at 1631, arriving in Thirsk at 1709.

Alternatively, visit Helmsley first, arriving 1122 and departing at 1431 to Coxwold 1453. Join the M5 to Thirsk at 1653.

Walk & Ride Lots of great ideas for short walks and longer ones on our website, including:

- ⇒ Great Ayton to Stokesley (3 miles; 1.25 hours)
- ⇒ Blakey Lion Inn to Hutton le Hole (8.5 miles; 4 hrs)
- ⇒ Rievaulx to Helmsley (3 miles; 1.5 hours)
- ⇒ Sutton Bank to Rievaulx (5 miles; 2 hours)

Plan your walk with care. Take appropriate food, drink, clothing, a timetable and a good map.

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12. Rosedale Abbey

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122. Catch the 1130 128 to Pickering (arrive 1211).

Have a wander around the town with its cafes, shops, steam railway, pubs and toilets.

Board the M6 from Pickering at 1308, travelling via Wreton and Cropton to Rosedale Abbey (arrive 1332).

Tea rooms, pubs, toilets, internationally famous glass studio of Gillies-Jones.

Many interesting walks from the village.

Catch the M6 at 1505 for Pickering (arrive 1529). And at 1540 catch the 128 bus to Helmsley, arriving at 1621.

The M5 will be waiting for you at 1631 in Helmsley for the journey back to Thirsk where you arrive at 1709.

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Fares can never meet the full cost of a rural service and we get no financial support from North Yorkshire Council or the National Park Authority. So we rely on small donations from parish and town councils, from other organisations, and from donations from passengers and well-wishers.

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DAYS OUT

FROM THIRSK

with Moorsbus

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Moorsbus is a network of friendly, wheelchair accessible, public bus services to and through the North York Moors designed and operated by a not-for-profit Community Interest Company.

We want to make it possible for people to enjoy this area without the need for a car — this will reduce the carbon footprint, give residents and visitors a more healthy lifestyle, improve our environment and ensure greater social equity.

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Maximum fare for a single journey £2 (where the service number changes, or you change bus, a new fare has to be paid).

English National Concessionary Passes accepted. Contactless payment usually available.

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You can also try northyorkmoors.org (01439 772700).

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Here are a few ideas for Days Out from Thirsk

Timings for Thirsk departures are at the Market Place bus stop, but Moorsbuses pick up and set down at recognised bus stops in Thirsk. Just give a clear signal to the driver.

Each **single** journey costs £2, but where the route number changes, or you need to get another bus, a further £2 single fare is payable. Sometimes a Moors Rover ticket will be cheaper. ENCTS passes are accepted for free travel.

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1. Danby calling at Helmsley, Kirkbymoorside, Pickering, Hutton Le Hole, Blakey Lion Inn

Catch the 0939 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1017 for a 14 minute break. At 1031 catch the M3 to Danby Lodge National Park Centre arrive 1155.

Free admission to Danby Lodge with its exhibition, art gallery, tea rooms, toilets, shop, picnic sites, play areas and walks and trails.

Return on the M3 at 1500 all the way to Thirsk at 1709. The bus calls twice at Kirkbymoorside on each journey, so you can take a half hour break there instead of going to Pickering and back (Reboard 1115 and 1613). *Instead of going all the way to Danby, stay at The Lion Inn, Blakey 1135-1520, Hutton le Hole 1123- 1532, Pickering 1055-1600, or Helmsley 1017-1631*

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2. Danby Lodge National Park Centre & circular tour of the moors

Catch the 0939 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1017 for a 14 minute break. Catch the M3 at 1031 to Danby arrive 1155.

Free admission to Danby Lodge with its exhibition, art gallery, tea rooms, toilets, shop, picnic sites, play areas and walks and trails.

Leave Danby at 1405 on M3 to Guisborough where your bus becomes M4, and on through Bilsdale to Rievaulx Abbey and Helmsley (arrive Helmsley 1547).

Tea rooms, pubs, toilets, shops, castle, walled garden.

Optionally stay on the bus for a half hour jaunt to Sutton Bank, just to say you got there.

Catch the M5 for the return journey from Helmsley at 1631, arriving in Thirsk at 1709.

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3. Five and a half hours at Sutton Bank

Catch the 0939 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1017. At 1022 board the M4 to Sutton Bank (1035) *where you could take the easy access walk to the White Horse or the flat route to the viewing platform overlooking Lake Gormire.*

For a longer walk along the Cleveland Way (you'll need to download a route or map) you could walk to Rievaulx (5 miles; 2 hours). Catch the 1537 M4 from Rievaulx to Helmsley.

Otherwise leave Sutton Bank at 1609 for Helmsley and catch the 1631 M5 to Thirsk.

Sutton Bank Visitor Centre has a shop, cafe, cycle hire & routes, bird watching, exhibitions, events and outdoor children's play area.

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4. Pickering & Dalby Forest (or Thornton le Dale)

Catch the 0939 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1017 for a 14 minute break. Catch the 1031 M3 to Pickering (arrive 1055).

Leave Pickering on M7 to Dalby Forest at 1143, arriving at Low Dalby Visitor Centre at 1200. (If you want to visit Thornton le Dale, get off the M7 at Thornton le Dale village green at 1150 *(toilets, tea rooms, pubs, car museum)* getting the bus back to Pickering at 1533.)

If you're visiting Dalby Forest, enjoy the café, play areas, walks and trails or even the GoApe aerial activities before leaving Dalby at 1523 on M7 to Pickering (arrive at 1540) and change on to the 1600 M3 all the way back to Thirsk, your bus becomes the M5 at Helmsley (arrive 1624, depart 1631), arriving in Thirsk at 1709.

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5. Helmsley & Rievaulx Abbey

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122.

Enjoy the shops, pubs, tea rooms, toilets, castle, walled garden or Birds of Prey Centre.

Leave Helmsley on M4 at 1427 to Rievaulx Abbey (arriving at 1437).

Café, information and toilets at this outstanding Cistercian Abbey.

Leave Rievaulx at 1547 on M4 to Helmsley (arrive 1557).

Catch the M5 for the return journey from Helmsley at 1631, arriving in Thirsk at 1709.

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6. Thornton le Dale & Pickering, or Scarborough

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122.

Catch the 128 from Helmsley to Scarborough at 1130 (arrive 1313, return 1440) or alight at Pickering (1211) or Thornton le Dale, at 1222 *(toilets, tea rooms, pubs, car museum)* getting the 128 bus back to Pickering at 1329, or to Helmsley at 1329 or 1529.

From Pickering catch the 1540 128 back to Helmsley (arrive 1621). The M5 bus to Thirsk departs Helmsley at 1631, arriving in Thirsk at 1709.

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7. Helmsley, Rievaulx & Byland Abbeys

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122. The M4 to Rievaulx leaves at 1127, arriving at 1137.

Café, information, toilets at this outstanding Cistercian Abbey.

Depart Rievaulx Abbey at 1332 for Helmsley, and then catch the M5 at 1431 from Helmsley to Byland Abbey (arrive 1450).

The M5 leaves Byland at 1650, getting to Thirsk at 1709.

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8. Danby Lodge National Park Centre & circular tour of the moors

Catch the 1044 M5 from Thirsk, get off in Helmsley at 1122 and catch the 128 which leaves Helmsley at 1130.

Get off in Kirkbymoorside and change on to the 1200 M3 to Danby Lodge National Park Centre (arrive 1240).

Free admission to Danby Lodge with its exhibition, art gallery, tea rooms, toilets, shop, picnic sites, play areas and walks and trails.

Leave Danby at 1415 on M3 to Guisborough where your bus becomes the M4, and on through Bilsdale to Rievaulx Abbey and Helmsley (arrive Helmsley 1557).

Tea rooms, pubs, toilets, shops, castle, walled garden, Birds of Prey Centre.

Catch the M5 for the return journey from Helmsley at 1631, arriving in Thirsk at 1709.