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Surface Quality (in dry weather)

- A** - Smooth (tarmac, paving, concrete, etc.)
- B** - Quite Smooth (short grass, compacted earth/stone, etc.)
- C** - Uneven (worn grass, loose stone, some ruts, tree roots, etc.)
- D** - Rough (long grass, soft earth, sand, gravel, severe ruts, roots, etc.)

-  **1** - Gentle (up to 1:20)
-  **2** - Quite Gentle (up to 1:16)
-  **3** - Fairly Steep (up to 1:12)
-  **4** - Steep (up to 1:8)
-  **5** - Very Steep (over 1:8)



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Accessible Trails in Nidderdale National Landscape

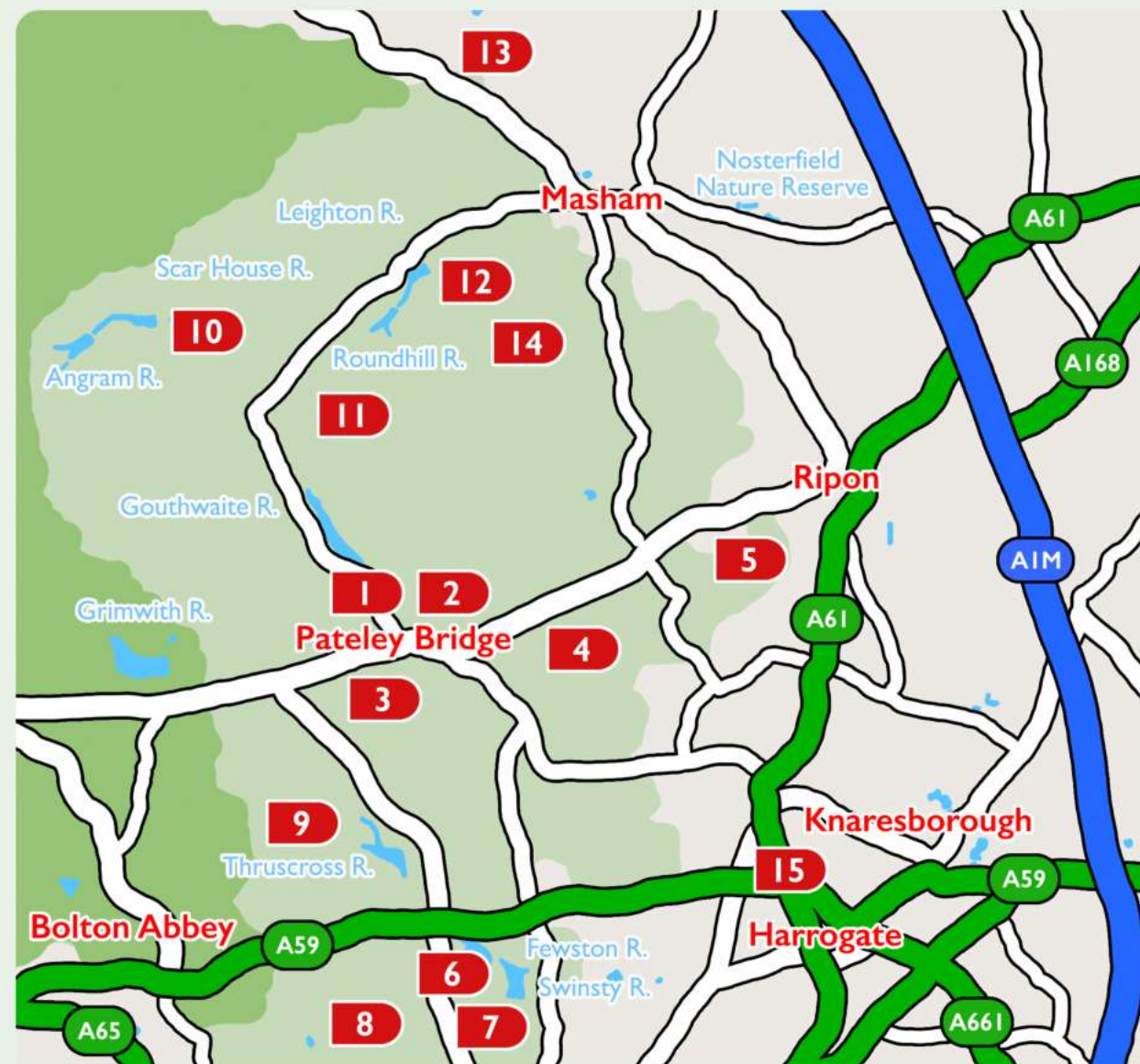


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TRAIL CARD & MAP KEY

	Suggested Route		Viewpoint
	Alternative Route		Motorcycle Barrier
	Slope/Hill (Level)		Speed Humps
	Linked Trail		Steps (and how many)
	Suitable for Cycling		Café
	All-Terrain Chair Route		Public House
	Trail Start Point		Bench/Seat
	Parking		Picnic Area
	Information Board		Playground
	Bus Stop		Cattle Grid
	Accessible Toilet		Trees/Wood
	Accessible Fishing Platforms		Lake/Pond
	Accessible Gate (Manual Wheelchairs & Scooters)		Landmark Building
	Gate not Accessible to Wheelchairs		
	Caution		



- 1** Pateley Bridge Millennium Green
- 2** Pateley Bridge - Glasshouses
- 3** Fishpond Wood
- 4** Brimham Rocks
- 5** Fountains Abbey
- 6** Fewston Reservoir
- 7** Swinsty Reservoir
- 8** Timble Ings Wood

- 9** Thruscross Reservoir
- 10** Scar House Reservoir
- 11** Fountains Earth Moor
- 12** The Druid's Temple
- 13** Jervaulx Abbey
- 14** Tom Corner
- 15** Nidderdale Greenway





Brief Description: The Millennium Green and Recreation Ground form a public open space on either side of the River Nidd, managed for conservation and recreation. The whole circular route is 1 mile (1.6km).



Access and Facilities: Accessible Fishing Platforms, Accessible Toilet opposite the main car park entrance (RADAR Key), Blue Badge Parking.



Features of Interest: Benches, BMX Area, Bowling Green, Children's Play Area, Information Boards, Meadows, Nidderdale Museum, Picnic Table, Pond, Refreshments, Riverside, Sculptures, Wildlife, Wildlife Garden.



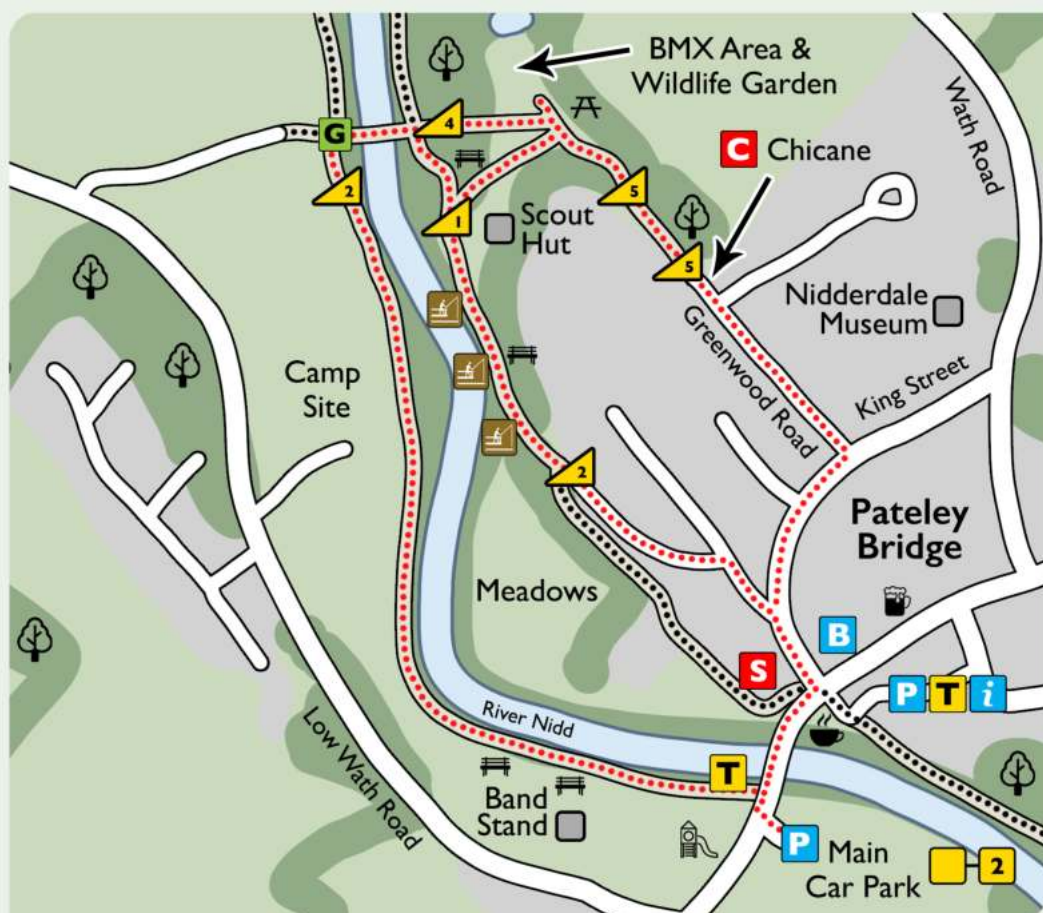
Public Transport: The 24 bus operates regular services between Harrogate and Pateley Bridge.



Location: There is parking in Pateley Bridge South Car Park off the B6265, adjacent to the bridge over the river, HG3 5BD. **What3Words:** sleepless.piglet.pupils. To start the trail, cross over the road and follow the path along the river.



Route Details: The paths are made of crushed stone or tarmac, with regular resting points (B5). Optional paths are on short grass, on the level (C1). The short sections through Pateley Bridge are on well maintained pavements.





Brief Description: A flat, firm 1.7 mile (2km) riverside path, enabling everyone to enjoy the history and natural beauty of this picturesque part of Nidderdale.



Access and Facilities: Accessible Toilet opposite the Car Park entrance (RADAR Key), Blue Badge Parking.



Features of Interest: Benches, Bird Watching, Cafés, Lake, Nidderdale Museum, Pubs, River, Views, Woodland.



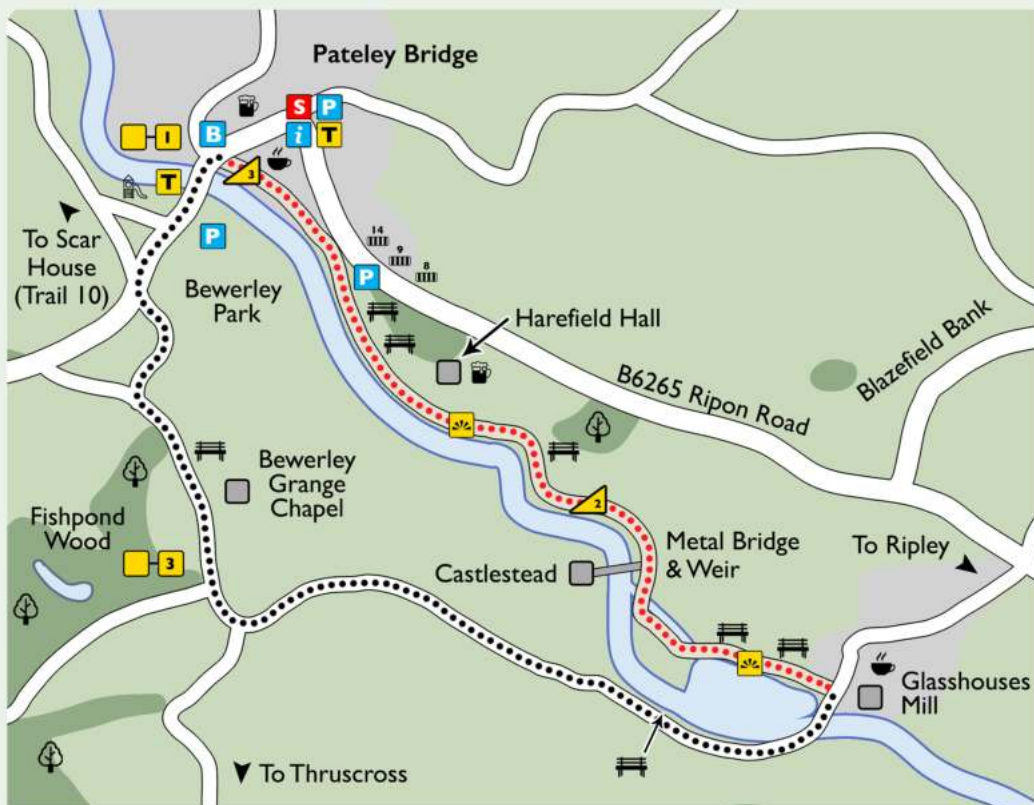
Location: The trail starts from Pateley Bridge South Car Park, off the B6265, adjacent to the bridge over the river, HG3 5BD. **What3Words:** sleepless.piglet.pupils.



Public Transport: The 24 bus operates regular services between Harrogate and Pateley Bridge.



Route Details: The majority of the route is flat, with some slopes down to the riverside in Pateley Bridge (B3). There is a slight camber on the path leading away from Harefield Hall, where flooding has led to path erosion. There are regular rest points to pause and take in the beautiful scenery. A circuit can be completed on quiet roads and a cycle path on the opposite side of the river.





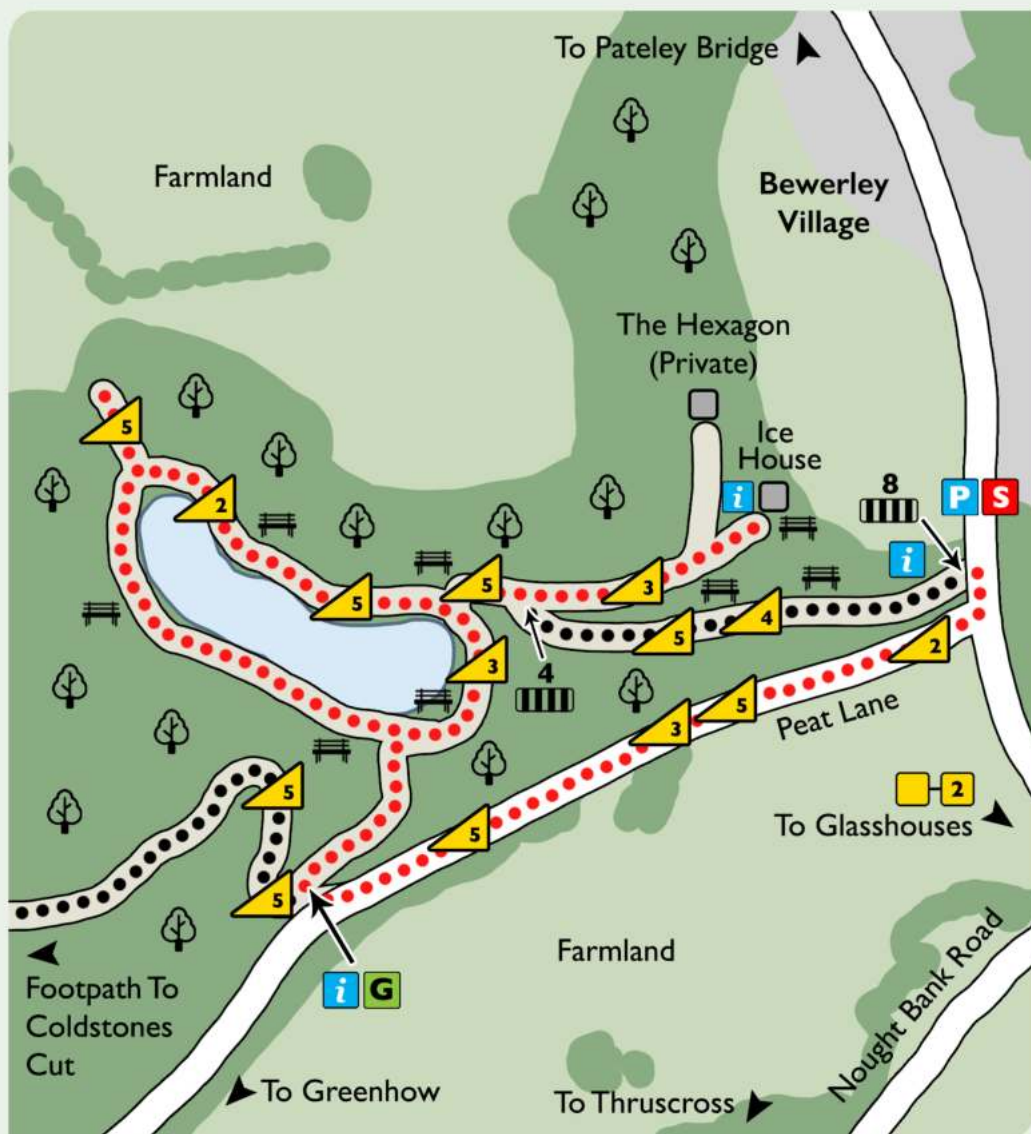
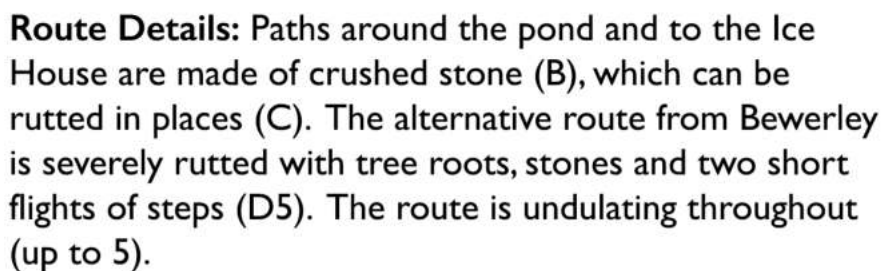
i **Brief Description:** Fishpond Wood offers a 0.5 mile (0.8 km) stroll around a beautiful, serene pond on the outskirts of Pateley Bridge. You can also access the Ice House, home to the Cave Spider, the UK's largest species of spider.

♿ **Access and Facilities:** Nearest Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key) is at Pateley Bridge Riverside.
What3Words: paddlers.nuptials.patching.

🔍 **Features of Interest:** Benches, Ice House (and Cave Spiders), Information Board, Pond, Waterfowl, Woodland.

📍 **Location:** Peat Lane, Bewerley, Pateley Bridge, HG3 5JD.
What3Words: custodial.prospers.fracture.

🚌 **Public Transport:** Bus 24 operates regular services between Harrogate and Pateley Bridge 0.8 miles (1.3 km) from the start of the route.





Brief Description: A 0.8 mile (1.4km) route around dramatic rock formations and open moorland, with spectacular views over Nidderdale and beyond.



Access and Facilities: 8 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key), Braille and Large Print Guides, Changing Places Toilet, Induction Loops. Mobility Scooters are available to hire; call 01423 780688 to book. National Trust Members can park for free.



Features of Interest: Benches, Guided Tours, Information Boards, Information Kiosk (in Car Park), Picnic Area, Refreshment Kiosk, Rock Formations, Shop (seasonal), Spectacular Views, Visitor Centre (Seasonal).



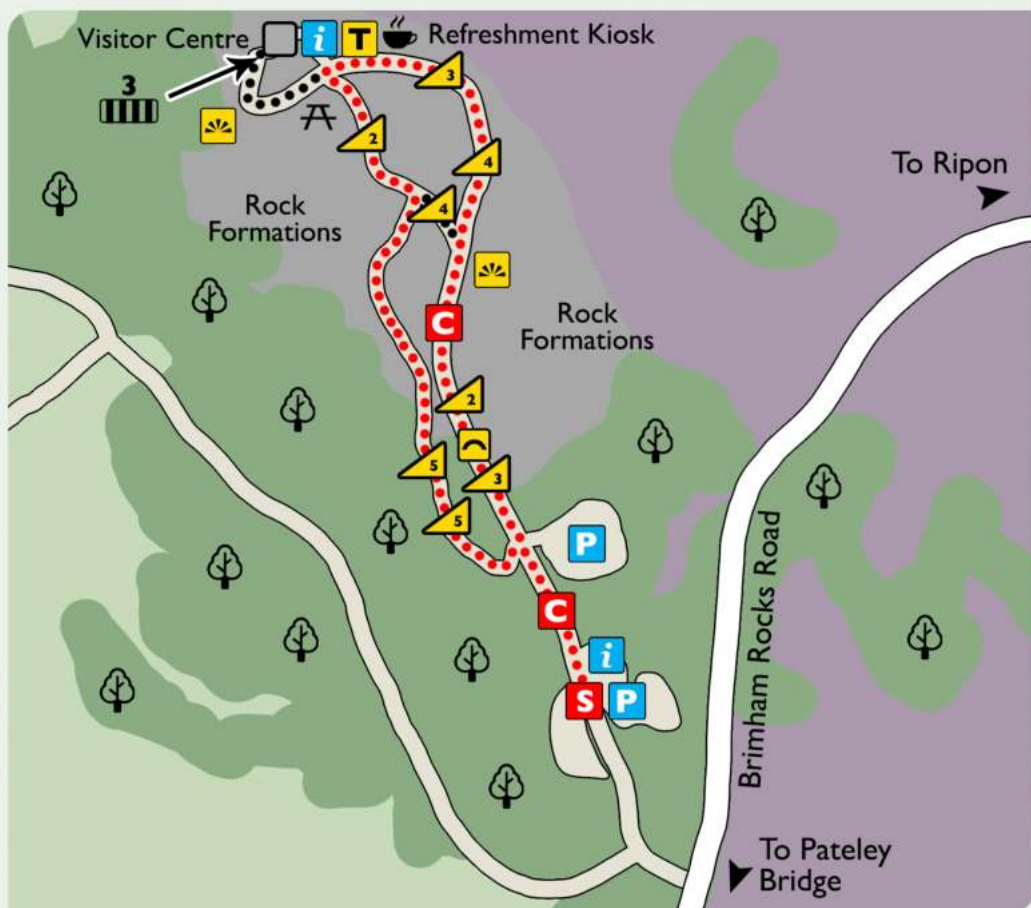
Public Transport: Dales Bus 825 operates a limited seasonal service between York and Richmond, via Harrogate, which stops at the entrance to Brimham Rocks.



Location: Brimham Rocks Road, Summerbridge, Harrogate, HG3 4DW. **What3Words:** buying.rarely.apron.



Route Details: The majority of the route is on well-made paths. The main track is slightly rutted (C) and there are some undulating sections (4). The path through the rocks is well surfaced (B) but is steep in parts (5). The steeper sections can be avoided by following the path to the left, back to the main track. Caution must be taken, as site vehicles use the main access track. There are also sections where trees and rocks overhang the path.





Location: The Visitor Centre is situated 3 miles (5km) west of Ripon off the B6265 on Abbey Road, HG4 3DY.

What3Words: fries.coach.acoustics.

Additional Blue Badge parking and level access to the Abbey grounds can be found at West Gate Car Park on Fountains Lane, HG4 3EA. **What3Words:** lifelong.fashion.spuried.

Blue Badge parking is also available at Studley Royal Deer Park, accessed via Studley Roger on Studley Lane, HG4 3DY. (Charges still apply) **What3Words:** lecturing.mandolin.tight.

There is an admission charge to access the Abbey grounds. There is no charge for National Trust Members or carers.



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Fountains Abbey

A5



Brief Description: Founded in 1132, Fountains Abbey is set in 650 acres of formal garden and deer park. This World Heritage Site offers an estate circuit of up to 3.5 miles (6.5km). The tarmac roads in Studley Royal Deer Park are suitable for cycling but they are also used by motorists.



Access and Facilities: Accessible Toilets, Ample Blue Badge Parking, Braille Guides, Changing Places Toilet (at Visitor Centre), Wheelchair and Mobility Scooters available for hire, booking is essential; call 01765 608888 for reservations.



Features of Interest: Benches, Bird Hide, Cafés, Church, Deer Park, Events, Follies, Fountains Abbey, Hall, Ornamental Gardens, Picnic Areas, Refreshments, Shop, Viewpoints, Visitor Centre, Water Gardens, Water Mill, Wildlife.



Public Transport: The 139 bus operates a daily service from Ripon Bus Station to Fountains Abbey Visitor Centre.

Route Details: Nearly all paths are tarmac, with a few gradients. Roads through the Deer Park are also used by vehicles.

There is easy access from the West Gate to areas from which the abbey can be viewed.

The abbey is approached via 180m (200 yards), of level grass and may be toured using a wheelchair.



Safety Notes: Due to the steep gradient down from the visitor centre, the National Trust (NT) advises wheelchair users to enter the estate from the West Gate. Alternatively, a free accessible minibus service runs from the visitor centre to the valley floor. (See timetable at admissions desk). The **C** symbols on the map represent pathways the NT advise wheelchair users not to use.

The path from the visitor centre is unsuitable for any self drive vehicle. 3 wheeled vehicles are not allowed on the estate.

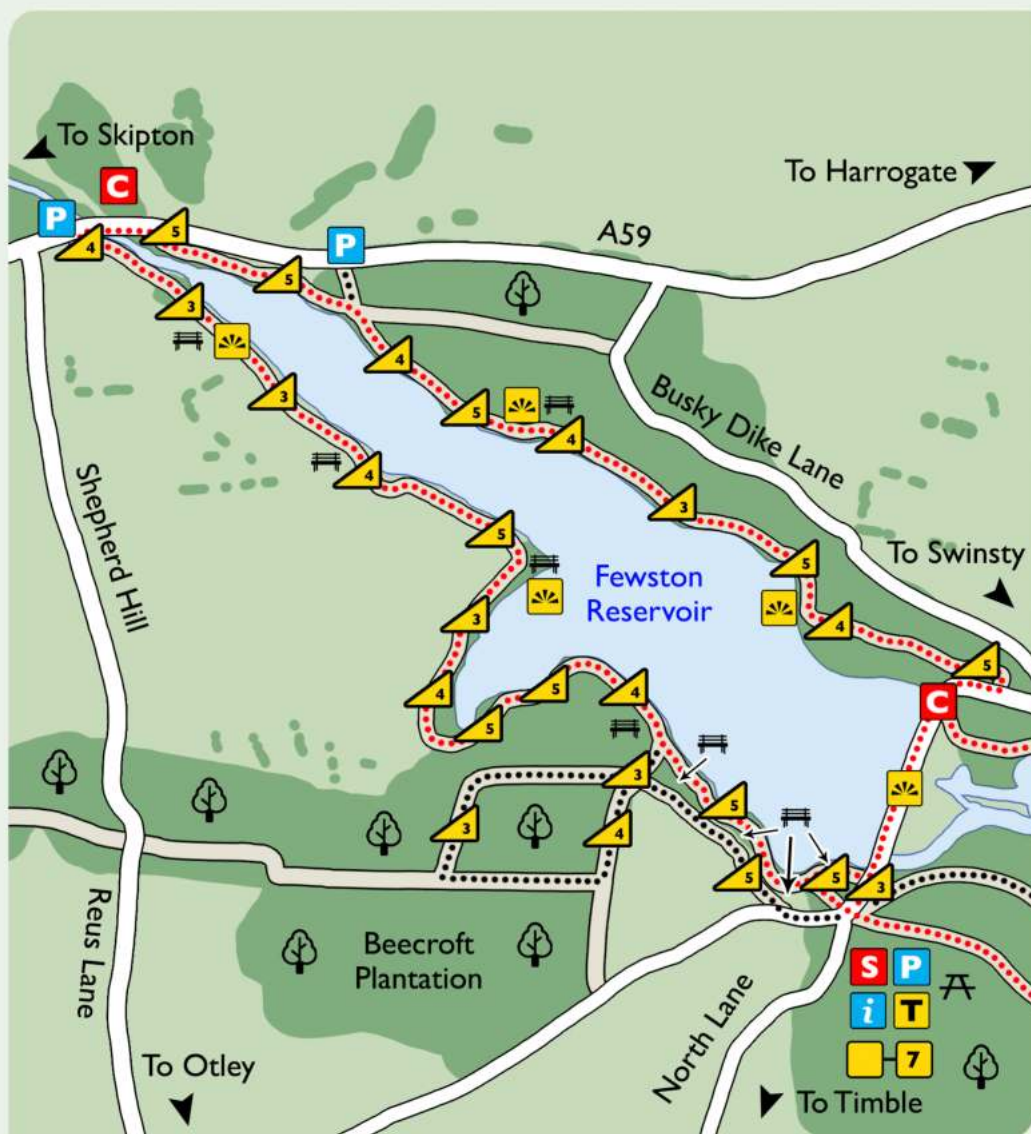




- i** **Brief Description:** Fewston Reservoir offers a 4.1 mile (6.6 km) trail along undulating lakeside paths through rural areas and woodland.
- ♿** **Access and Facilities:** 5 Blue Badge Parking Bays, (Parking Charges Apply), Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key).
- 🔍** **Features of Interest:** Accessible Picnic Tables, Benches, Boot Washing Facilities, Car and Cycle Parking, Information Boards, Waterfowl, Woodland.
- 📍** **Location:** Swinsty Moor Car Park, Fewston, Harrogate, LS21 2NP. **What3Words:** quietest.surging.mascot. Alternative Parking off the A59 at Blubberhouses, LS21 2NX. **What3Words:** revealing.imparts.shook.
- 🚌** **Public Transport:** The 821 bus operates a seasonal service between Keighley and Scar House Reservoir, which stops at the entrance to Swinsty Moor Car Park.



Route Details: Paths around the reservoir are made from compacted, crushed stone (B). The route is generally undulating with occasional short, steep sections (up to 5). Care must be taken at either end of the reservoir loop when walking alongside roads.





Brief Description: An accessible 3 mile (5km) circular walk around a picturesque reservoir in the beautiful Washburn Valley.

Access and Facilities: 5 Blue Badge Parking Bays, (Parking Charges Apply), Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key).

Features of Interest: Accessible Angling, Accessible Picnic Tables, Benches, Boot Washing Facilities, Car and Cycle Parking, Information Boards, Waterfowl, Woodland.

Location: Swinsty Moor Car Park, Fewston, Harrogate, LS21 2NP. **What3Words:** quietest.surging.mascot.

Public Transport: The 821 bus operates a seasonal service between Keighley and Scar House Reservoir, which stops at the entrance to Swinsty Moor Car Park.



Route Details: The majority of paths are made of compacted stone (B), with a few steeper slopes (3). The rutted track adjacent to the reservoir's south/west bank should be avoided by wheelchair users in favour of the slightly higher, less rutted path from the car park, indicated on the map below.

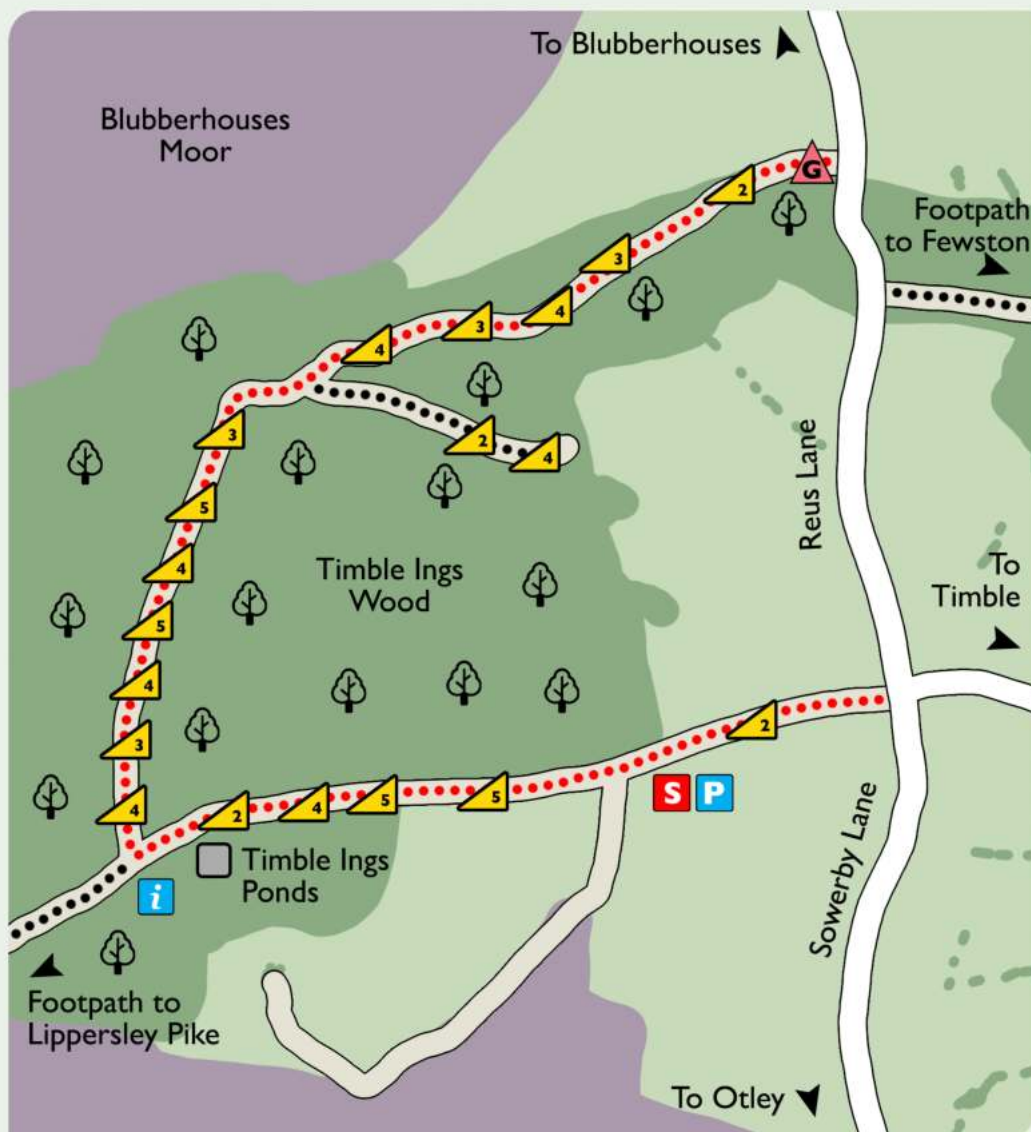




- i** **Brief Description:** Timble Ings Wood offers up to 5 miles (8 km) of accessible trails, which can be extended via the wider wood on less accessible paths. It is a great place to spot deer, water voles and woodland birds.
- ♿** **Access and Facilities:** Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Swinsty Moor Car Park, LS21 2NP 1.6 mles (2.5 km) from the start of the trail. **What3Words:** quietest.surging.mascot.
- 🔍** **Features of Interest:** Nightjar, Timble Ings Ponds, Trees, Water Voles, Wildlife, Woodland Birds.
- 📍** **Location:** Limited parking is available in a lay-by on the forest track off Reus Lane, Timble, LS21 2NL.
What3Words: flesh.brave.helpfully.
- 🚌** **Public Transport:** The 821 operates a seasonal service that stops at Swinsty Moor Car Park. 1.6 miles (2.5 km) from the start of the route.



Route Details: Tracks in the wood are made from crushed stone (C). Paths are rutted in certain sections (D). The route is undulating with some steeper sections (5). The route can be shortened by turning back at Timble Ings Ponds, (approx 1.4 miles/2.3 km out and back).





i **Brief Description:** Thruscross Reservoir offers a 1.5 mile (2.4 km) accessible, circular route through woodland to the water's edge. Spectacular views and wildlife can be enjoyed.



Access and Facilities: 2 Blue Badge Bays (Parking Charges May Apply), Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Swinsty Moor Car Park, LS21 2NP. 4.6 miles (7.4 km) from the start of the trail. **What3Words:** quietest.surging.mascot.



Features of Interest: Benches, Boot Cleaning, Cycle Parking, Picnic Benches, Reservoir Views, Thruscross Dam, Viewing Platform, Wildflowers, Wildlife, Woodland.



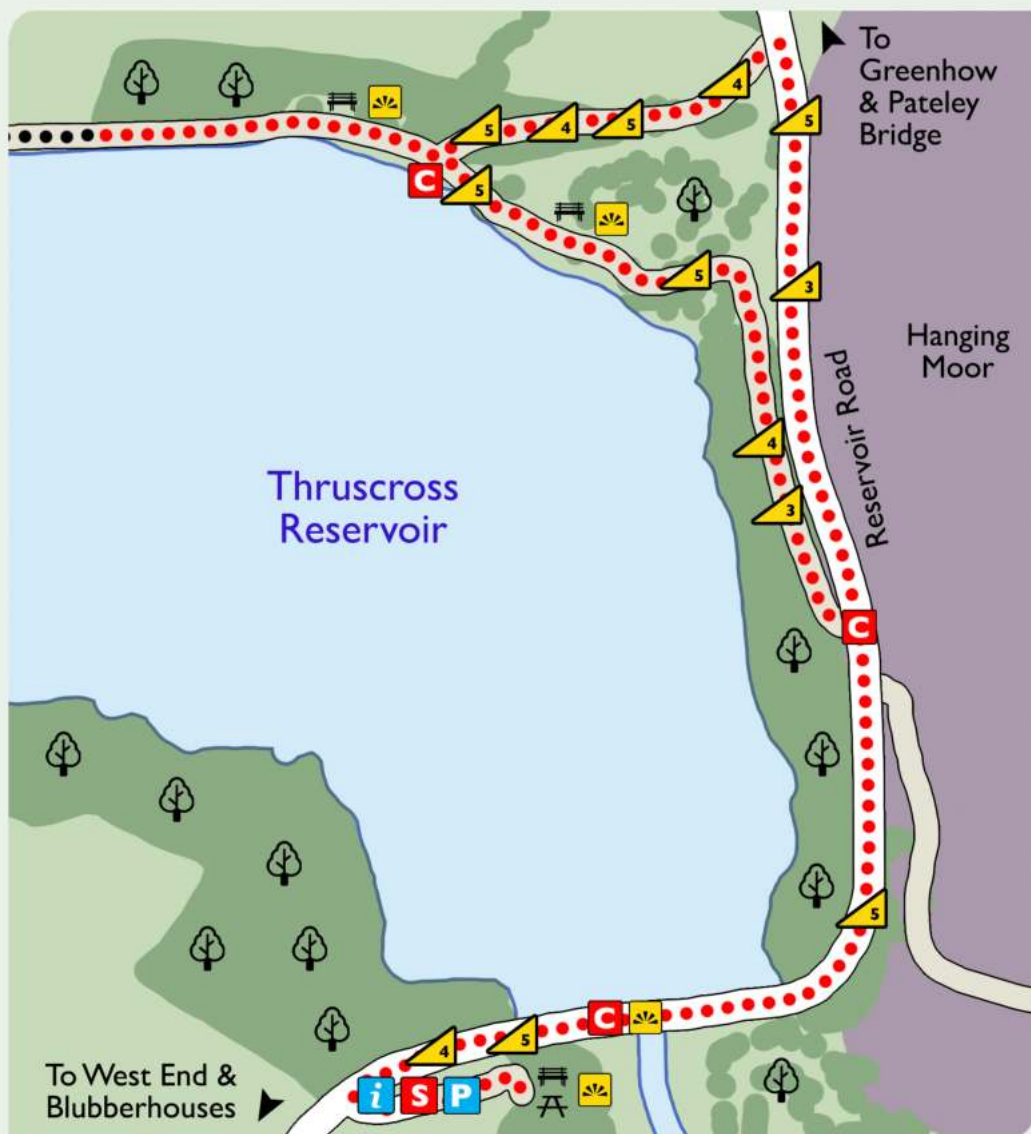
Location: Thruscross Reservoir Car Park, Reservoir Road, Harrogate HG3 4BB. **What3Words:** hulk.sidelined.settled.



Public Transport: The 821 operates a seasonal service that stops in Blubberhouses. 2 miles (3.2 km) from the start of the route.



Route Details: Paths are made from a combination of tarmac and crushed stone, some sections do have varying amounts of adverse camber (C). Paths are undulating throughout (up to 5). Caution must be taken when using the roads, especially over the dam where the road narrows and the pavement is less than 1.5 m wide.





Location: The car park is situated at the end of a private road, from Lofthouse in upper Nidderdale, HG3 5SW. Follow the brown tourist signs from the village.

What3Words: surface.refrain.trifling.



Route Details: The south side of the reservoir is accessed via a worn tarmac surface (B2). Both reservoir dams are flat tarmac, although there is a short descent to Scar House Dam (A4). The north side of the reservoir is much more challenging, with an undulating, uneven path (D), including multiple gates and steep inclines (5). Access to Angram Reservoir is on a track made of crushed stone (C). It is undulating in places (up to 4) and leads to an accessible viewing area.



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Scar House Reservoir

B4



Brief Description: A 5.5 mile (8.8 km) out and back walk on accessible tracks, which can be made into a 5.4 mile (8.6 km) loop for ambulant pedestrians. This trail takes in beautiful and bleak Upper Nidderdale, featuring spectacular views, historical sites and lots of wildlife.



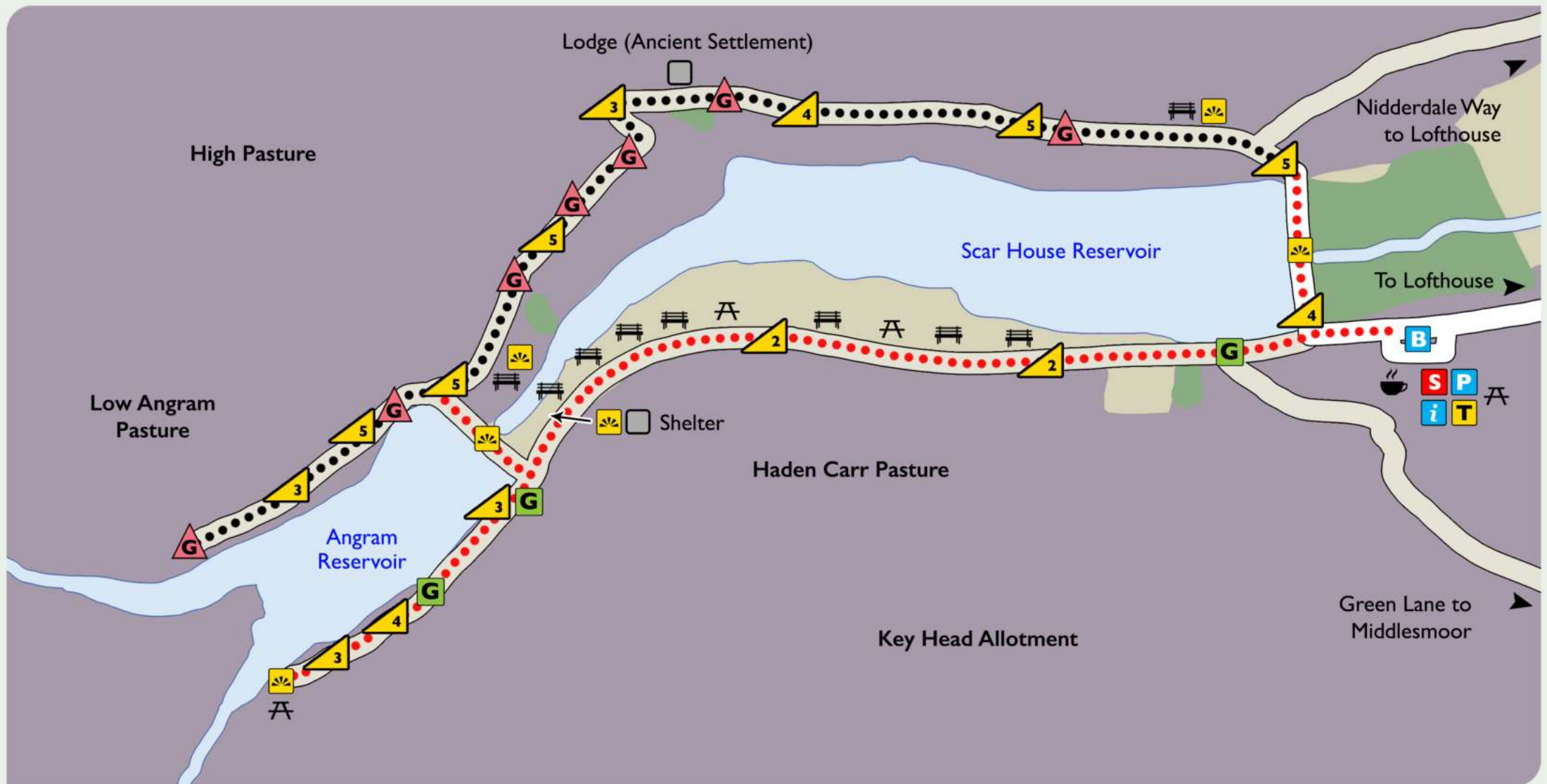
Access and Facilities: 5 Blue Badge Parking Bays, Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key).



Features of Interest: Benches, Birdwatching, Café Kiosk Selling Refreshments, Picnic Benches (3 Accessible), Remains of Construction Village and the Farming Hamlet of Lodge, Rural Landscape, Scar House & Angram Reservoirs, Shelters, Spectacular Views, Wildlife.



Public Transport: Dales Bus 821 operates a seasonal, out and back service from Keighley via Pateley Bridge to the Café at Scar House. The 24 bus runs regularly between Harrogate and Pateley Bridge.





- i** **Brief Description:** This trail offers a 5.2 mile (8.3 km) route along shooting tracks across Fountains Earth Moor. A great place to experience the bleak beauty of this open wilderness. It is perfect for all-terrain chair users.
- ♿** **Access and Facilities:** Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Lofthouse Village 1.6 miles (2.6 km) from the trail start point. **What3Words:** coverings.bliss.enchanted.
- Q** **Features of Interest:** Craggs, Jenny Twigg & her Daughter Tib (Standing Stones), Moorland, Spectacular Views, Wildlife.
- 📍** **Location:** Lay-by on Trapping Hill, Fountains Earth Moor. Please park considerately.
What3Words: huddling.bypasses.nanny.
- 🚌** **Public Transport:** The nearest bus stop is in Lofthouse, 1.5 miles (2.4 km) from the route start point. From here the 821 bus operates a service to and from Pateley Bridge.



Route Details: Tracks are predominantly made of crushed stone and are severely rutted in parts (D). The route is undulating throughout with some steep sections (up to 5). It is advised that this trail is used by ambulant pedestrians and all-terrain chair users.





i **Brief Description:** Part of the Swinton Park Estate, The Druid's Temple is a folly surrounded by woodland. This trail offers up to 2 miles (3.2 km) of wooded tracks to explore.

♿ **Access and Facilities:** Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key) when café is open. Alternative Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key) in Masham 4.3 miles (6.9 km) from Swinton Bivouac.
What3Words: throat.half.stoppage. Parking Charges Apply.

🔍 **Features of Interest:** Café, Cycle Path, Spectacular Views, Stone & Wood Sculptures, Sycamore Gap Trail, The Druid's Temple, Wildlife, Woodland.

📍 **Location:** Swinton Bivouac, Knowle Lane, Ilton, Masham, HG4 4JZ. **What3Words:** strapping.sprint.landmark.

🚌 **Public Transport:** The nearest bus stop is in Masham, 4.3 miles (6.9 km) from Swinton Bivouac. From here, buses operate to and from Bedale, Leyburn, Richmond and Ripon.



Route Details: From Swinton Bivouac tracks are made from a combination of compacted stone and tarmac (B). There is a gradual incline to The Druid's Temple (4). Other paths in the wood are made from compacted earth and grass, (D) with some undulating sections (up to 5). The path around the perimeter of the wood is suitable for cycling but the path to The Druid's Temple is not.





i **Brief Description:** Jervaulx Abbey offers up to 3 miles (4.8 km) of accessible paths and tracks. Visit the impressive, ruined Cistercian Abbey and explore the rural grounds, famous for their wildflowers in summer.



Access and Facilities: Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Brymor Dairy, High Jervaulx Farm, HG4 4PG, 1.2 miles (2 km) from the start of the route.

What3Words: appetite.kidney.cabinet.

There is no admission fee but donations are encouraged. An honesty box is located at the abbey entrance.



Features of Interest: Abbey Ruins, Benches, Countryside Views, Ponds, Tearoom, Wildflowers (Seasonal), Wildlife.



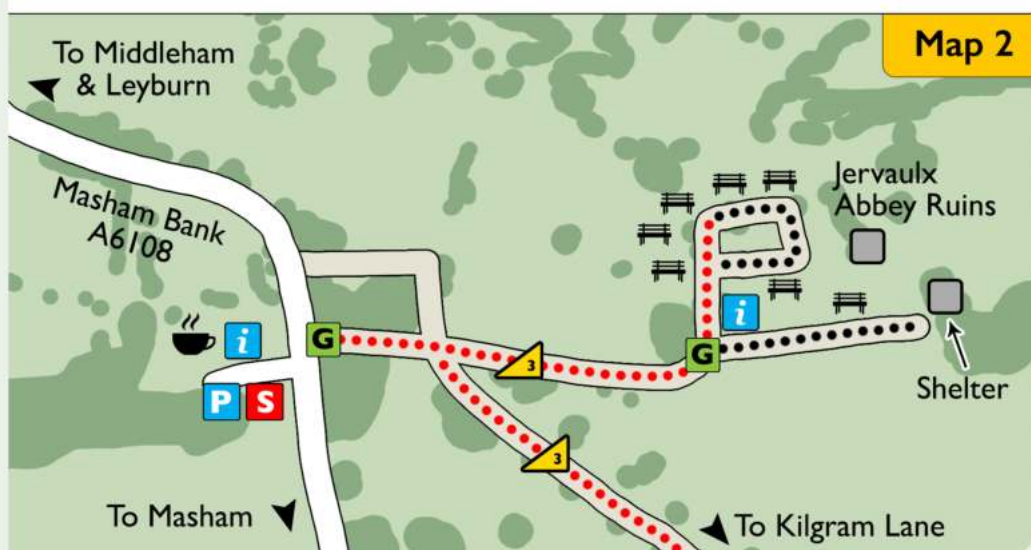
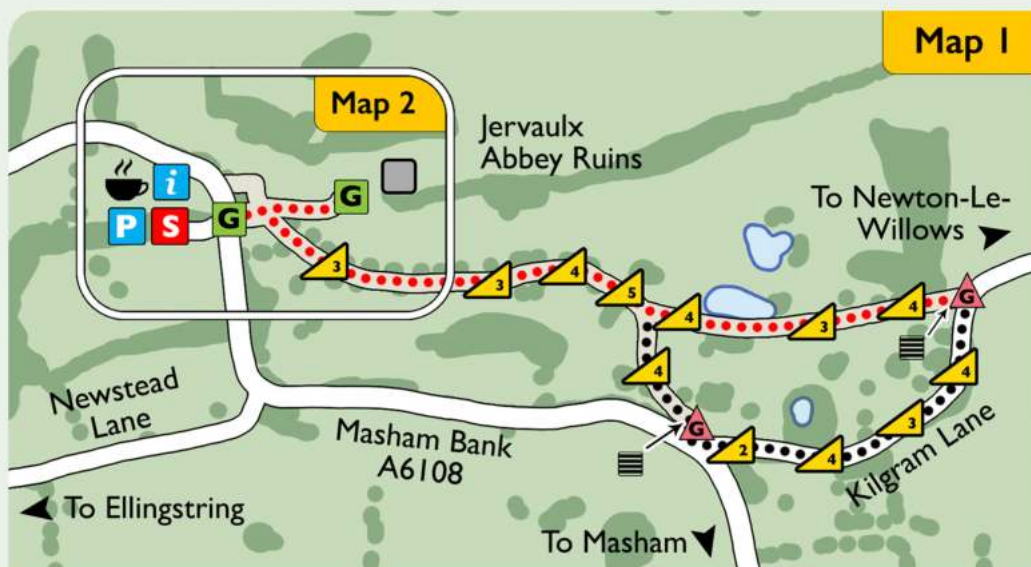
Location: A6108, Masham Bank, Jervaulx, HG4 4PH. Large, free car park opposite the entrance to the abbey.
What3Words: group.librarian.headstone.



Public Transport: Bus 825 operates a seasonal service between York & Richmond, stopping at Jervaulx Abbey.



Route Details: Paths and tracks are made from crushed stone (B). The majority of the paths inside the abbey grounds are on grass, which can get boggy, especially in winter (D). The accessible route is relatively level, with the exception of a few short inclines (up to 5). Caution must be taken when using or crossing roads.





i **Brief Description:** Tom Corner offers a 1.4 mile (2.2 km) or 2.8 mile (4.5 km) out and back route across rugged moorland to a waterfall. You can see spectacular colours from the heather in mid-late summer and spot moorland birds all year round.

♿ **Access and Facilities:** Nearest Accessible Toilet is at Fountains Abbey Visitor Centre, Abbey Road, Ripon, HG4 3DY. **What3Words:** fries.coach.acoustics.

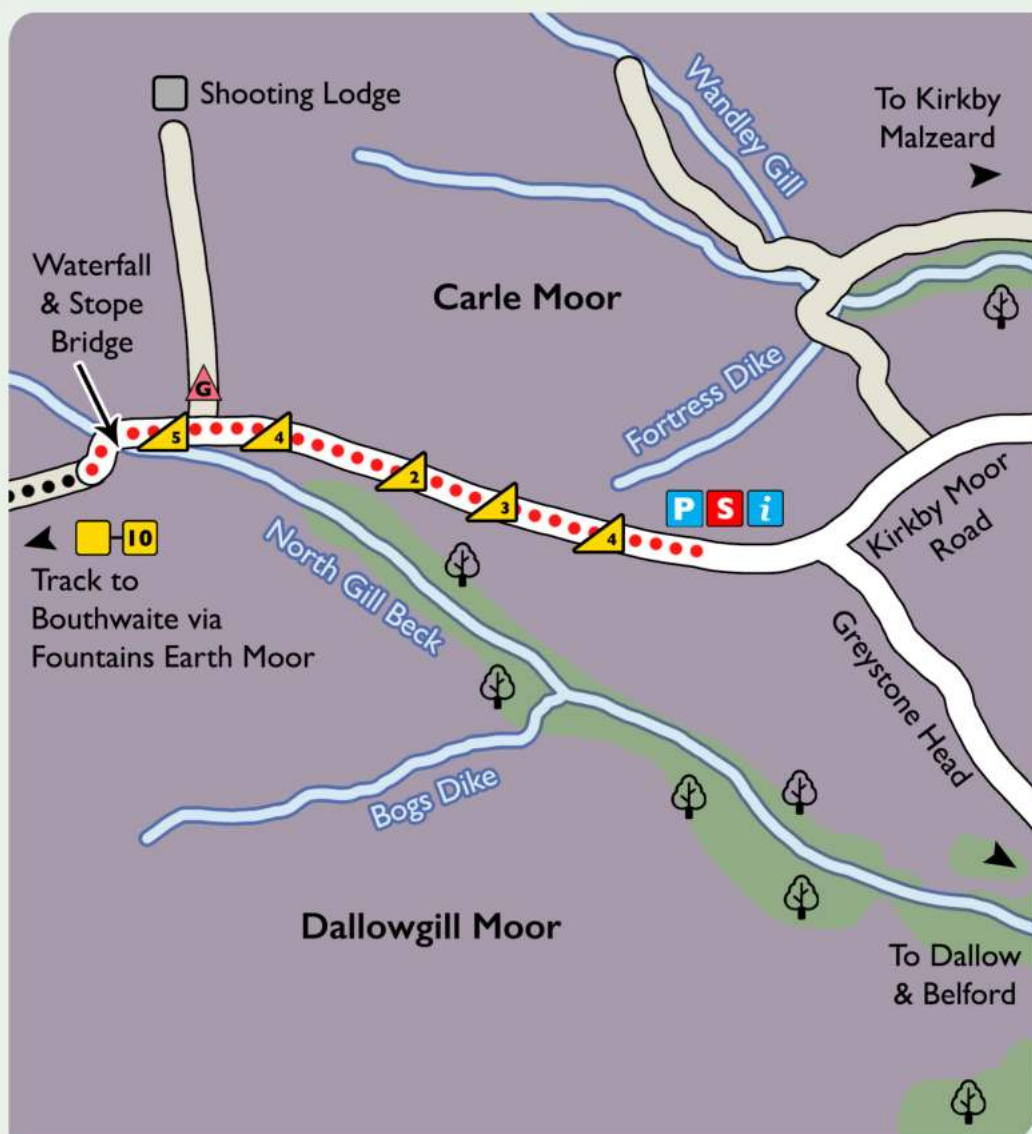
Q **Features of Interest:** Centurian Mosaic, Information Boards, Moorland Views, Waterfall, Wildlife.

📍 **Location:** Parking area on Kirkby Moor Road, HG4 3QY. **What3Words:** harmlessly.flock.marriage

Public Transport: Nearest Bus Stop is in Kirkby Malzeard, 3.6 miles (5.7 km) from the start of the trail. Buses 138 & 138A operate a daily service to and from Masham.



Route Details: The accessible route is on a tarmac road, which is severely rutted in places (C). The road is undulating throughout (up to 5). Caution must be taken, as traffic often uses the route. The route can be extended further onto the moor to link with Trail Card II, however, the track becomes rutted and uneven.





Location: The Nidderdale Greenway can be started from the car park next door to Asda on Dragon Road in Harrogate, HG1 5BD. **What3Words:** slower.rank.trees.

It can also be started from the large village car park in Ripley, HG3 3AX. **What3Words:** soaps.various.piper.



Route Details: The whole route is surfaced in tarmac (A) and is mainly flat. There are some hilly sections on the outskirts of Ripley (4). The path continues from Ripley Castle towards Clint Bank. This section of the path is steep in sections (5).



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Nidderdale Greenway

A4



Brief Description: The Nidderdale Greenway is a 4 mile (6.4km) cycle and walking trail between Harrogate and Ripley. The route crosses the spectacular, Grade 2 listed seven arch Nidd Gorge Viaduct and passes through stunning countryside, avoiding the busier commuter routes.



Access and Facilities: Accessible Toilet (RADAR Key) in the car park at Ripley and in Asda in Harrogate, Pay & Display Parking in Ripley (car park closes in the evening), Blue Badge Parking in Dragon Road Car Park in Harrogate, Cycle Parking in Ripley.



Features of Interest: Countryside Views, Nidd Gorge, Off-Road Cycling, Pubs, Ripley Castle, Ripley Village, Riverside, Viaduct, Wildlife, Woodland.



Public Transport: Harrogate Bus and Railway Stations are half a mile from the start point of the route. The 36 Bus runs regular services between Leeds, Harrogate and Ripon, passing through, and stopping in, Ripley village.

