

## Days Out from Stokesley with Moorsbus



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 on behalf of passengers and the community.

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### WHEN?

Every Saturday, Sunday & Bank Holiday in July, August & September 2022

### HOW MUCH?

All-day Moors Rover ticket £9.50 (£2.50 for 5 to 17 year olds)

Family Moors Rover ticket £15 up to 2 adults + 4 children  
(adult/s must be accompanied by at least 1 child)

Adult single fares available from just £1 (maximum single fare £5)

Young people (5 to 17) travel for £1 per journey

English National Concessionary Passes accepted

Contactless payment accepted

### WHERE?

In towns, Moorsbuses use existing bus stops. In country areas give a clear signal to the driver to get on, and tell the driver where you'd like to get off.

### Danby Lodge National Park Centre taster (Saturdays)

Depart Stokesley at 1229 on M4 to Danby Lodge National Park Centre (arrive 1325). Exhibition, art gallery, information, tea room, toilets, trails, picnic sites, play area – free admission. Depart Danby at 1415 for the journey back to Stokesley arriving at 1509. (For a longer visit to Danby see the Sunday 'Moors tour and Danby Moors Centre'.)

### Helmsley (Saturdays)

Catch the M4 from Stokesley to Helmsley at 1009. The journey takes you through Bilsdale, passing Chop Gate, Spout House and Rievaulx Abbey before arriving in Helmsley at 1057). Cafes, pubs, shops, toilets, castle, walled garden, Birds of Prey Centre. Leave Helmsley on M4 at 1642 to get back to Stokesley at 1729.

Instead of going all the way to Helmsley, you could take in a visit to Rievaulx Abbey (arrive 1047). English Heritage: Abbey ruins, café, toilets, museum, shop. Or Rievaulx Terrace & Temples: National Trust. Then walk the 3 miles along part of the Cleveland Way from Rievaulx to Helmsley (allow 1 1/2 hours).

### Sutton Bank walks (Saturdays)

At 1009 catch the M4 from Stokesley to Sutton Bank (arrive 1115). For the keen walkers there is the 7.25 mile walk back to Helmsley (3 hours), or 5 miles from Sutton Bank to Rievaulx (2 hours). For the less energetic, Sutton Bank boasts James Herriot's 'finest view in all of England' as well as the place where Wordsworth composed his 'Ode to the Hambleton Hills'. Exhibition, tea rooms, toilets, bike hire. If you're just staying on the bus, it leaves Sutton Bank at 1124 for Helmsley. Or if you're exploring the other walks (Gormire Lake, the White Horse of Kilburn), the M4 leaves Sutton Bank at 1624 for the through journey to Stokesley, arriving at 1729.

### Rievaulx Abbey and walk to Helmsley (Saturdays)

Catch the M4 from Stokesley at 1009 and get off at Rievaulx Abbey (arrive 1047). Cistercian Abbey, tea rooms, toilets, shop, museum. You'll probably spend an hour or two at the Abbey. The walk to Helmsley is along part of the Cleveland Way. It's 3 miles long and takes about 1 1/2 hours. Enjoy an ice cream or more in Helmsley before catching the M4 at 1642 back to Stokesley, arriving 1729.

There are lots of great walks from Moorsbus and our website lists many, including:

Blakey Lion Inn to Hutton le Hole (8.5 miles, 4 hours);

Dalby to Thornton le Dale (4 miles, 2 hours);

Blakey to Rosedale Abbey (5.5 miles, 3 hours);

Sutton Bank to Rievaulx (5 miles, 2 hours);

Clay Bank to Blakey Lion Inn (8.5 miles, 5 hours).

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

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### Moors tour including Danby Lodge National Park Centre (Sundays & Bank Holidays)

Catch the 0939 M4 to Helmsley from Stokesley through Bilsdale and passing Rievaulx Abbey arriving in Helmsley at 1027. Enjoy a leisurely cup of coffee or a wander around the shops before departing on 128 at 1130 to Kirkbymoorside (arrive 1145) for the 1150 connection onto the M3 to Danby (arrive 1230). Tea rooms, shop, art gallery, exhibition, toilets, picnic site, play areas, bird hide, walks and trails. Depart Danby at 1400 on M3 arriving in Stokesley at 1451.

### Danby Lodge National Park Centre short visit (Sundays & Bank Holidays)

For a shorter visit to the Moors Centre, catch the 1217 M4 from Stokesley to Danby (arrives 1310) and depart on M3 at 1400 for the journey back to Stokesley at 1451.

### Thirsk, Byland Abbey and Coxwold (Sundays & Bank Holidays)

Catch the M5 0939 to Thirsk (arrive 1039). Cafes, pubs, shops, toilets, information centre, World of James Herriot. Catch the M5 at 1234 to Byland Abbey (arrive 1253). Large ruins of Cistercian Abbey—free admission. Depart Byland at 1450 on M5 to Coxwold (arrive 1453). Church, Fauconberg Arms and Shandy Hall, a grade I listed medieval building and once home to the eighteenth century writer Laurence Sterne. Catch the M5 at 1653 for the journey from Coxwold to Stokesley via Thirsk (arrive Stokesley at 1814). (For the return trip from Coxwold, you could get the 1550 M5 to Helmsley (arrive 1612), and then leave Helmsley at 1631 on M4 to Stokesley, arriving at 1814.)

### PAYING OUR WAY

Fares and pass reimbursement cover only part of the cost of running Moorsbus, so we rely on donations from passengers, parish councils, businesses and other groups. Thornton le Dale Parish Council is an active supporter of Moorsbus.

You can buy a 'Donate Ticket' when you pay your normal fare, or show your pass. They're £1, £2, £5 and £10. They aren't valid for travel but the money goes straight to the Community Interest Company to support Moorsbus services in the future.

Or you can donate via the website [www.moorsbus.org](http://www.moorsbus.org)

### Pickering (Sundays & Bank Holidays)

Catch the M4 at 0939 from Stokesley to Helmsley (arrive 1027). Get the 128 to Pickering at 1130 (arrive Pickering 1206). Castle, Beck Isle Museum, North Yorkshire Moors Railway, medieval wall paintings in parish church, shops, cafes, pubs, toilets. Depart Pickering on 128 at 1545 for Helmsley (arrive 1621). Cafes, toilets, shops. Then on to the M4 at 1727 to Stokesley (arrive 1814). (Or catch the 1631 M5 via Thirsk and Northallerton, arriving Stokesley at 1814).

### Thornton le Dale and Dalby: the Great Yorkshire Forest (Sundays & Bank Holidays)

Catch the M4 at 0939 from Stokesley to Helmsley (arrive 1027). At 1130 get the 128 to Thornton le Dale at 1130 (arrive Thornton 1217). Pubs, tea rooms, toilets and the car museum as featured in the TV series 'Bangers and Cash'. Picturesque village with easy walks. At 1359 catch the M7 to Dalby Forest (arrive 1409). Information Centre, café, toilets, play areas, picnic sites, cycle hire and GoApe aerial activities. Catch the M7 from Low Dalby Visitor Centre at 1525 and get off in Pickering at 1542. Catch the 128 at 1545 to Helmsley (arrive 1621). Then either catch the M5 to Stokesley via Thirsk and Northallerton (departs Helmsley 1631, arrives Stokesley at 1814) or catch the M4 at 1727, back to Stokesley (arrive 1814).

### Hutton le Hole (Sundays & Bank Holidays)

Catch the 0939 M4 to Helmsley from Stokesley through Bilsdale and passing Rievaulx Abbey arriving in Helmsley at 1027. Time to explore Helmsley before departing on 128 at 1130 to Kirkbymoorside (arrive 1145) for the 1150 connection onto the M3 to Hutton le Hole (arrive 1158). Tea rooms, pub, toilets and the award-winning Ryedale Folk Museum with 20 reconstructed historic buildings on a six acre site. Leave Hutton le Hole on M3 at 1347 to Pickering (arrive 1410). Cafes, pubs, shops, toilets, castle, museum, North Yorkshire Moors steam railway. Catch the 128 at 1545 to Helmsley (arrive 1621). Then either catch the M5 to Stokesley via Thirsk and Northallerton (departs Helmsley 1631, arrives Stokesley at 1814) or catch the M4 at 1727, back to Stokesley (arrive 1814).

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