



Days Out from Helmsley with Moorsbus

Saturdays, Sundays & Bank Holidays in July, August & September 2022

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.

- English National Concessionary Passes accepted.
- Adult single fares available from just £1, and all child single fares are just £1.
- All day Moors Rover tickets are £9.50 (£2.50 for 5 to 17 year olds).
- Contactless payment available.
- Well-behaved dogs welcome.

The EYB 128 & X28 bus service sells and accepts Moors Rover tickets between Helmsley and Scarborough, as does the ME1 between Norton and Danby.

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

Buses to Sutton Bank, York and Thirsk leave from outside the co-op.

Buses to Pickering, Scarborough, Rievaulx, Stokesley and Guisborough leave from the monument side of the road.

Here are some suggested days out from Helmsley.

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We're always keen to receive your feedback.

SATURDAY Danby Lodge National Park Centre

Leave Helmsley at 1031 on bus M31 to Pickering. You can get off in Kirkbymoorside at 1044 and catch the same bus again at 1115 if you want a half hour break in Kirkbymoorside. Otherwise stay on the bus to Pickering (1057) and then it heads back to Kirkbymoorside (1115), travelling on to Hutton le Hole (1123) and then Danby Lodge (1155). Exhibition, art gallery, shop, information, tea rooms, toilets, picnic sites, bird hides, play areas and lots of trails and walks – free admission. Catch the 1530 M3 to Pickering and stay on board as it heads to Helmsley (arrive 1654).

SATURDAY Pickering and Thornton le Dale

Catch the M31 by the monument at 1031 (arrive Pickering 1057). Castle, Beck Isle Museum, steam railway, cafes, shops, toilets. Return to Helmsley on M31 at 1628 (arrive Helmsley 1654). (An earlier 128 bus leaves Pickering for Helmsley at 1501.)

You could take a short trip to picturesque Thornton le Dale with its car museum, tea rooms, shops and toilets. Catch M7 at 1142 or 1352 from Pickering to Thornton le Dale arriving at 1149 or 1359. Return from Thornton le Dale to Pickering at 1420 or 1535 (arrive Pickering 1427 or 1542) and then catch the M31 at 1628 to Helmsley.

SATURDAY Dalby Forest

Catch the M31 by the monument at 1031 arriving in Pickering at 1057. Cafes, shops, toilets. Leave Pickering at 1142 on M7 to Dalby Forest (arrive Low Dalby Visitor Centre 1159. Café, bike hire, toilets, picnic sites, play areas, Go Ape aerial activities, walks and trails. Leave Dalby at 1410 (or 1525) for the journey back to Pickering and then catch either a 128 bus to Helmsley at 1501 or the M31 at 1628 (arrive Helmsley 1654).

SATURDAY Hutton le Hole

Leave Helmsley at 1031 on bus M31 to Pickering. You can get off in Kirkbymoorside at 1044 and catch the same bus again at 1115 if you want a half hour break in Kirkbymoorside. Otherwise stay on the bus to Pickering and then it heads back to Kirkbymoorside (1115), travelling on to Hutton le Hole (1123). Tea rooms, pub, lovely streamside village, Ryedale Folk Museum (reconstructed historic buildings on large site), toilets, walks. Return from Hutton le Hole on M3 at 1602, travelling back via Kirkbymoorside to Helmsley (arr 1654).

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY Sutton Bank & Rievaulx Abbey

Catch the 1032 from outside Helmsley co-op to Sutton Bank at 1032 (arrive 1045). 'England's Finest View' according to James Herriot. Information, exhibition, café, toilets, trails, walks (including to the White Horse, Lake Gormire, along part of the Cleveland Way including back to Helmsley (7.25 miles, 3 hours). If you aren't tackling the walk, depart Sutton Bank on M4 at 1409 to Helmsley and stay on the bus as it heads to Rievaulx Abbey (arrive 1437). You could also walk back to Helmsley from Rievaulx along the Cleveland Way (3 miles 1.5 hours) or catch the M4 from Rievaulx Abbey at 1647 for the 10 minute journey back to Helmsley.

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY Thornton le Dale, Dalby Forest and Pickering

Catch the 128 bus to Pickering and Thornton le Dale at 1130 (arrive Thornton le Dale 1217). Tea rooms, pubs, toilets, car museum as featured in the TV series 'Bangers & Cash'). Leave Thornton le Dale on M7 at 1359 to Dalby Forest (arrive Low Dalby Visitor Centre 1409). Information, café, toilets, bike hire, Go Ape aerial activities, picnic sites, play areas, walks and trails. Return from Dalby Forest on bus M7 at 1525 to Pickering (arrive 1542). Castle, steam railway, Beck Isle Museum, cafes, pubs, shops, toilets). Depart Pickering on 128 at 1741 to Helmsley (arrive 1821).

(You could spend longer at Thornton le Dale (1217 to 1535) if you don't want to visit the forest).

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY Grand Tour of the Moors (Stokesley, Great Ayton, Danby & Pickering)

Depart Helmsley at 1127 on bus M4 passing Rievaulx Abbey, Bilsdale, Chop Gate, Stokesley and Great Ayton to Guisborough. The bus then continues to Danby Lodge National Park Centre (arrive 1310). Tea rooms, toilets, exhibitions, art gallery, picnic areas, trails, play areas etc. Leave Danby at 1615 on bus M3 to Pickering. The route climbs Castleton Rigg to Ralph Cross (symbol of the National Park), passing the isolated Lion Inn, picturesque Hutton le Hole, Kirkbymoorside to Pickering (arrive 1710). Half an hour for a quick cuppa (and toilets) before catching the 128 from Pickering at 1740 for the journey back to Helmsley (arrive 1821).

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY Thirsk

Depart Helmsley on M5 at 1131 to Thirsk (arrive 1209). Cafes, pubs, shops, toilets, World of James Herriot. Leave Thirsk Market Place on M5 at 1534 to Helmsley (arrive 1612).

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY Coxwold and Byland Abbey

Depart Helmsley on M5 at 1131 to Coxwold (arrive 1153). Wonderful village with Shandy Hall (home of author Laurence Sterne), church, tea rooms and Fauconberg Arms. At 1250 catch the M5 bus for the 3 minute journey back to Byland Abbey. Magnificent Cistercian Abbey also Byland Abbey Inn (for refreshments). Depart Byland on M5 at 1553 to Helmsley (arrive 1612).

SUNDAY & BANK HOLIDAY Great Ayton or Stokesley

The M4 bus leaves Helmsley at 1027 for the journey through Bilsdale to Stokesley (arrive 1114). Cafes, pubs, shops, toilets. At 1217 catch the M4 to Great Ayton (arrive 1227) Tea rooms, toilets, pubs and Captain Cook Schoolroom Museum. Great Ayton (1227). Return journey on the M4 from Great Ayton at 1443 getting into Helmsley at 1542. (You may want to extend your time here as there are some superb walks, including a climb up Roseberry Topping. In this case there is a later bus at 1558 arriving in Helmsley at 1657).

Don't forget our **walk & ride** opportunities.

Examples include the Lion Inn to Hutton le Hole, Sutton Bank to Helmsley, Castleton to Danby, Rievaulx to Helmsley or Dalby to Thornton le Dale.

See www.moorsbus.org for more details: and if you plan other interesting walks from the bus or the train, please let us (and your fellow passengers) know.