

4. North York Moors circular tour with stops at Danby Lodge National Park Centre and Helmsley

SUNDAY

09:03 catch Moorsbus M31 to Helmsley from Water End (the bus stop and shelter is opposite the Youth Hostel and about 50 metres to the left)

The bus travels to the market town of Easingwold and then through the Howardian Hills National Landscape, passing the romantic ruins of Byland Abbey.

10:22 arrive in Helmsley Market Place

A chance to have a short look around Helmsley and maybe enjoy one of its many cafes and tea rooms.

11:30 depart Helmsley Market Place (by the monument) **on East Yorkshire 128 to Kirkbymoorside**

11:50 arrive Kirkbymoorside Market Place

12:00 catch Moorsbus M3 to Danby from the same bus stop outside the antiques shop

The route is an exhilarating ride through picturesque villages like Hutton le Hole, and over the high moorland.

12:40 arrive Danby Lodge National Park Centre

Danby Lodge has exhibitions about the National Park, as well as an art gallery, shop, tea rooms and toilets. Outside are walks, trails and an adventure playground.

14:15 leave Danby Lodge on Moorsbus M3 to Guisborough and stay on this bus in Guisborough as it changes route number to M4 for the journey to Helmsley

15:57 arrive Helmsley Market Place

Medieval castle, walled garden and many cafes, tea rooms, pubs and shops. Toilets.

17:31 depart Helmsley (outside the co-op) **on Moorsbus M31 to York**

18:32 arrive York (Youth Hostel)



About Moorsbus

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

Using modern, low-emission vehicles with professional drivers from local bus operators, we help both locals and visitors get around the area without needing a car.

We're helping society, the local economy and our environment - now and for future generations.

Tell us what you think

Every year we undertake a survey of our passengers to find out what's right and what's wrong with the service and how we can do things better.

You'll find a survey form to fill in on every bus - it's in the MoorInfo box where you'll also find timetables, details of attractions, and our monthly newsletter 'Moorsbuzz'.

Donate tickets

Many passengers (including those who benefit from 'free' travel through a concessionary pass) like to make an on-bus donation. Our special Donate Tickets can be bought from the driver and contribute to Moorsbus services for the future.

Just tell the driver you'd like to buy a Donate Ticket when you pay your normal fare, or when you show your pass. They're £2, £5 or £10.

Although they aren't valid for travel, they'll create more journeys next year because 100% of the money raised from Donate Tickets goes straight to Moorsbus.

Finally...

We look forward to seeing you on a Moorsbus soon. You'll find a warm welcome awaits you.

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1. Tranquil Rievaulx Abbey & bustling Helmsley

SUNDAYS

09:03 catch Moorsbus M31 to Helmsley from Water End (the bus stop and shelter is opposite the Youth Hostel and about 50 metres to the left)


The bus travels through stunning countryside of the Howardian Hills National Landscape, passing Byland Abbey, climbing Beacon Hill with its panoramic views of Ryedale and then to Helmsley.

10:22 arrive in Helmsley Market Place and stay on this bus

10:27 the bus leaves Helmsley Market Place

10:36 arrive at Rievaulx Abbey for a 3 hour visit

Rievaulx Abbey (English Heritage) is one of the most impressive monastic ruins in Britain. Founded in 1132, it became the most powerful Cistercian abbey in Britain. There is a café, shop, museum and toilets.

 You could walk back to Helmsley along the Cleveland Way (3 miles, about 1.5 hours) otherwise simply catch the M4 back, as below.

13:33 leave Rievaulx Abbey on Moorsbus M4 back to Helmsley.

13:42 arrive Helmsley (Market Place) for a visit of 3³/₄ hours.

Helmsley boasts a wide range of shops, cafes, coffee bars and pubs, as well as a small brewery.

Enjoy the historic Helmsley Walled Garden set against the backdrop of Helmsley Castle, it has a café and toilets.

Helmsley Castle (English Heritage) dates back to 1120 and is a fascinating place to explore.

The National Centre for Birds of Prey is a 20 minute walk from the centre of Helmsley, set in the ancient woodland and rolling parkland of Duncombe Park.

17:31 leave Helmsley (Market Place) by the monument on **Moorsbus M31 to York**

18:32 arrive York (Youth Hostel)

2. Exploring the North York Moors & Danby Lodge National Park Centre

SATURDAYS & SUNDAYS

08:22 catch Moorsbus M6 from York Railway Station (stop RC) to **Pickering**

09:42 arrive Pickering for an hour's break

Cafes, toilets, shops, pubs, steam railway, castle, etc

10:43 depart Pickering on Moorsbus M6 from the same stop you got off at

The bus takes you through picturesque villages such as Hutton le Holej and then high over the North York Moors with distant views of the sea and closer by, the renowned Lion Inn and Ralph Cross.

11:40 arrive Danby Lodge National Park Centre

Danby Lodge National Park Centre will keep you entertained with its exhibitions, 'Inspired by...' art gallery, and shop. There's a café and toilets. Free admission..

14:00 (Saturday) or 14:15 (Sunday) leave Danby Lodge for Guisborough on Moorsbus M3

Stay on the bus in Guisborough as it changes route number to M4 and travels through beautiful Bilsdale, passing Rievaulx Abbey before arriving in Helmsley.

15:42 (Saturday) or 15:57 (Sunday) arrive in Helmsley Market Place

Cafes, pubs, shops, medieval castle, toilets

16:30 (Saturday) or 16:25 (Sunday) leave Helmsley (by the monument) on **East Yorkshire 128 to Pickering**

17:06 (Saturday) or 17:11 (Sunday) arrive Pickering

Cafes, shops, pubs, toilets.

17:41 (Saturdays & Sundays) leave Pickering (from the same bus stop) on **Moorsbus M6 to York**

19:00 arrive York (railway station)

3. Two abbeys, a castle and 'England's finest view'

SUNDAYS

09:03 catch Moorsbus M31 to Byland Abbey from Water End (the bus stop and shelter is opposite the Youth Hostel and about 50 metres to the left)

10:03 arrive at Byland Abbey

Extensive ruins of Cistercian abbey (free admission)

11:03 depart Byland Abbey on Moorsbus M5

11:22 arrive in Helmsley Market Place

11:27 depart Helmsley Market Place (by the monument) on **Moorsbus M4 for Rievaulx Abbey**

11:36 arrive outside Rievaulx Abbey

Majestic remains of one of Britain's largest and most powerful abbeys founded in 1132 (English Heritage). Toilets, café, shop, museum.

13:33 depart Rievaulx Abbey from the same bus stop on **Moorsbus M4 for Helmsley**

13:42 arrive Helmsley Market Place

Mighty medieval Helmsley Castle (English Heritage).

Also in Helmsley you'll find the walled garden, National Birds of Prey Centre, a brewery and lots of eating places, shops and toilets.

16:02 depart Helmsley Market Place (outside the co-op) on Moorsbus M4 to Sutton Bank

16:15 arrive Sutton Bank Visitor Centre

Information centre, toilets, café and James Herriot's 'finest view in England'

17:09 catch Moorsbus M4 from Sutton Bank to Helmsley

17:22 arrive Helmsley Market Place

17:31 depart from Helmsley Market Place outside the co-op on **Moorsbus M31 to York**

18:32 arrive York (Youth Hostel)