

## 4. A really simple full day out to Helmsley - £2 there, and £2 back!

### SUNDAYS

**08:54 catch Moorsbus M5 from Stockton High Street (Stand J) to Helmsley**

*Your journey takes you through Stokesley and then through Northallerton and Thirsk to the village of Coxwold and, a couple of miles further on, the majestic ruins of Byand Abbey. The bus then travels through Ampleforth before climbing Beacon Hill with its panoramic views over Ryedale and the Howardian Hills before dropping down into Helmsley*

**11:22 arrive in Helmsley**

*The market town of Helmsley is full of fascinating shops, places to eat and things to do.*

*In the market place you'll find many of the shops, pubs cafes and other places to eat. And there are lots more tucked away in the streets behind the market place.*

*The medieval castle (English Heritage) is a great place to explore and nearby is Helmsley Walled Garden, a wonderful green oasis with café and toilets.*

*A 20 minute walk away from the town centre is the National Centre for Birds of Prey, set in the rolling parkland and woodland of Duncombe Park.*

*You could take the Moorsbus M4 up to Rievaulx Abbey to discover this famous Cistercian Abbey, or even walk there (and catch the bus back). There's a café, shop and museum at the abbey which is an English Heritage property. The 3 mile walk will take about 1½ hours (each way): the bus takes 9 minutes.*

*(Toilets are just off the Market Place in Borogate or in the Cleveland Way car park near the castle.)*

**16:31 leave Helmsley** (from the market place, outside the co-op) **on Moorsbus M5 to Stockton**

**18:59 arrive Stockton**



## 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.

## 4 great days out

**FROM STOCKTON**

## with Moorsbus

**Sundays & Bank Holidays  
from 29 June to 27 October 2024**

### Maximum fare for a single journey £2

*(where the service number changes, or you change bus, a new fare has to be paid).*

*£1 single journey for children & young people (5 to 18).*

English National Concessionary Passes accepted.

Contactless payment usually available.

All-day Moors Rover tickets are £10 (£2.50 child; £15 family). Single fares start at £1.

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.

**Full timetables are available  
on the bus, on the website  
or in local shops and information centres.**

*If you need more copies of this leaflet, download and print them from our website.*

*To get more help, e-mail  
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or ring us on 01751 477216.*



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# 1. Tranquil Rievaulx Abbey & bustling Helmsley

## SUNDAYS


**08:36 catch Moorsbus M3 from Stockton High Street (Stand K) to Guisborough**

**09:11 arrive in Guisborough Market Place (Stand C)**

**09:14 change on to connecting Moorsbus M4 (Stand A)**  
*Travel via Great Ayton, Stokesley and beautiful Bilsdale.*

**10:18 arrive at Rievaulx Abbey for a 3 hour visit**

*Rievaulx Abbey (English Heritage) is one of the most impressive monastic ruins in Britain. There's 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 2 hours.**

*Helmsley is a lovely market town with a medieval castle, beautiful walled gardens, a small brewery and plenty of cafes, pubs, shops and toilets. The National Birds of Prey Centre at Duncombe Park is a 20 minute walk away.*

**16:02 catch Moorsbus M4 from Helmsley (outside the co-op) to Sutton Bank**

*Sutton Bank visitor centre (free admission) has exhibitions, a shop, café and toilets. Plus a view described by James Herriot as 'the finest view in England.'*

**17:09 depart Sutton Bank on Moorsbus M4 to Guisborough**

**18:41 arrive in Guisborough Market Place (Stand D)**

**18:44 catch the connecting Moorsbus M3 (Stand B) to Stockton**

**19:18 arrive Stockton**

# 2. History comes alive at Hutton le Hole & Pickering

## SUNDAYS

**08:36 catch Moorsbus M3 from Stockton High Street (Stand K) to Hutton le Hole**

*The bus travels via Guisborough and then to Castleton and Danby, before heading over the high moorland, where you pass Ralph Cross and the isolated Lion Inn. It's a sea of purple heather during summer - with lots of sheep!*

**10:15 arrive in Hutton le Hole (outside the Folk Museum)**

*Spend two hours at the Ryedale Folk Museum, an open-air museum with over 20 preserved buildings set in a 6 acre site. Come inside the Iron Age roundhouse, or the medieval manor house, and discover the fascinating story of life in the North York Moors. There's also an art gallery.*

*Or simply explore one of Yorkshire's most picturesque streamside villages with its craft and souvenir shops, tea rooms, pub and toilets.*

*There are plenty of places to picnic alongside the village stream*

**12:15 catch Moorsbus M6 to Pickering from outside the museum doors**

*The bus travels via the market town of Kirkbymoorside and then the villages along the edge of the Vale of Pickering.*

**12:40 arrive in Pickering for a 4<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> hour's visit**

*Pickering has a wide range of shops, cafes, pubs and toilets. There's a Norman castle (English Heritage), medieval wall paintings in the parish church, Beck Isle Museum, a flea market and no visit is complete without a visit to the North Yorkshire Moors Steam Railway.*

**17:15 catch Moorsbus M3 to Stockton from Pickering Ropery (outside the library)**

*The journey takes you back over the high moorland to Danby and then Guisborough before heading to Middlesbrough and Stockton.*

**19:18 arrive Stockton**

# 3. Thirsk, Herriot country, Helmsley & Sutton Bank

## SUNDAYS

**08:54 catch Moorsbus M5 from Stockton High Street (Stand J) to Thirsk**

**10:39 arrive in Thirsk Market Place**

*Thirsk has a wonderful range of shops and eating places as well as the 'World of James Herriot' where the world-famous vet lived, worked and wrote his books.*

**12:44 leave Thirsk Market Place on Moorsbus M5 for Helmsley**

*The farms you'll see are the ones James Herriot would have visited many years ago and immortalised in his books (and the subsequent films and TV series). The bus also passes the magnificent ruins of Byland Abbey.*

**13:22 arrive in Helmsley (Market Place)**

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

*There's the historic Helmsley Walled Garden, built in 1759 and still a thriving garden. (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 at Duncombe Park.*

**16:02 catch Moorsbus M4 (outside Helmsley co-op) to Sutton Bank**

**16:15 arrive Sutton Bank**

*Sutton Bank was described by Herriot as 'the finest view in England' and you can enjoy that view, as well as the café, exhibition and toilets at the visitor centre.*

**17:09 catch Moorsbus M4 from Sutton Bank to Stokesley**

**18:14 arrive in Stokesley and change onto the connecting Moorsbus M5 to Stockton**

**18:17 depart Stokesley on Moorsbus M5 for Stockton**

**18:59 arrive Stockton**