DalesBus Ramblers
Free Guided Walks by DalesBus
NOVEMBER 2026

Join us on a guided walk with an experienced leader in the Yorkshire Dales. All are welcome.

For all walks, please wear boots, carry a packed lunch and drink, rainwear and warm clothing. Distances and routes may vary depending on weather conditions and walk leaders retain the right to ask people not to join the walk if they have inadequate footwear/clothing.

Details of which bus or train to catch and start/finish points are given for each walk. You can also contact the walk leader using the phone number or email address given if you would like more information or advice, but there's usually no need to book in advance. For full details of all bus times, connecting services and tickets see the DalesBus timetable or visit: friendsofdalesbus.org/dalesbus-ramblers/

You don't have to be a member of Friends of DalesBus to join the walks, but we warmly welcome you as a member if you want to support our work and become a regular walker with us – visit friendsofdalesbus.org/dalesbus-ramblers/

Please note that details of the walk gradings follow at the end of this document.

Please check the friendsofdalesbus.org/dalesbus-ramblers/ website and Facebook pages for late updates on walks. There are times when we have late information about issues including weather conditions (winter), road closures for summer events etc.



November 1st Cracoe to Grassington

7 miles approx. Moderate

Out Catch bus 874 from Leeds City Bus Station (0910) Ilkley (1020), alight Grassington (1106), catch bus 72 (1200) alight Cracoe Devonshire Arms (1209).

RETURN Catch bus 874. from Grassington (1700); Ilkley (1747); arr. Leeds York St (1843).

Led by **Colin Speakman** colinspeakman799@gmail.com

November 8th Starbotton to Buckden, to link with the Buck Inn Dales Music Session (Music & Spoken Word)

3 miles – Easy

Out Catch bus 874 bus from Wetherby (0835) Leeds City Bus stn. (0910), Ilkley (1020), Grassington (1110) alight Starbotton (1133).

Or Catch bus 864 from Bradford Interchange (0925), Shipley (0940), Ilkley (1015) change to bus 874 – as above. Alight Starbotton (1133)

RETURN Bus 874 from Buckden **(**1624**)** to Ilkley, Otley, Leeds and Wetherby. Change at Ilkley for 864 (1747), arr Bradford (1836).

Led by **Colin Speakman** colinspeakman799@gmail.com

November 15th Buckden -Cray - Yockenthwaite Circular. From Buckden we will walk to Cray & across side of valley with views down Upper Wharfedale towards Yockenthwaite, returning along the Dales Way back to Buckden.

7 miles – Moderate

Out catch bus 874 from Wetherby (0835), Leeds City Bus stn (0910). Ilkley (1015) Grassington (1110), alighting Buckden (1140).

Or Catch 864 from Bradford (0925), Ilkley (1015) change to 874 as above.

Or Catch bus 72 Skipton, connect to 874 in Grassington (1110), as above.

RETURN 874 Buckden (1625), Grassington (1652), Ilkley (1747) Leeds York St (1843), arr Wetherby (1910).

Or 874 Buckden (1625) change Ilkley (1747) to 864, arr. Bradford (1836)

Led by **Amelia Letima** amelialetima@hotmail.com

November 22nd Pateley Bridge – Burnsall Although this is a longer walk, we have a decent time for it (6hrs). Starting in Pateley Bridge, we will ascend up towards the mines then head across to Craven Moor & down towards Skyreholme hitting the Dales Way back to Burnsall.

10.5miles – Moderate / Strenuous

OUT: Catch bus 24 from Harrogate (1015) alight Pateley Bridge (1108).

Or catch bus 36 from Leeds City Bus Station (0835), Harewood Arms (0905), alight Harrogate Bus Stn (0935). Catch bus 24 (1015) as above, to Pateley Bdge.

RETURN: on bus 874 from Burnsall (1712), Ilkey (1747), arr Leeds York St (1843). Bus 36 from Leeds City Bus Station (1915) to arr Harrogate (2010).

Led by Amelia Letima amelialetima@hotmail.com

November 29th Weets Top & Bordley Setting off from Malham, we will pass the scenic Janets Foss, before climbing up to Weets Top, offering some lovely views. From there, we will head across to Bordley, then down to Linton Falls & Grassington.

9.5 miles Moderate / strenuous
OUT: Catch Bus 864 from Bradford (0925), Ilkley (1020), Skipton bus Stn. (1050) to alight Malham (1125).

Or Catch 874 from Wetherby (0835), Leeds City Bus Stn. (0910), Otley (0950), alight Ilkley (1015), change to bus 864, alight Malham (1125).

RETURN: Catch Bus 874 from Grassington (1700) to Ilkley (1747), Otley (1808), Leeds (1843) & arr Wetherby (1910).

Or Connection to Bus 864 for Bradford at Ilkley (1750) arr Bradford interchange (1836)

Or Bus 72 (1700) from Grassington to arr Skipton Bus Stn (1722).

Led by **Paul Wood** paul_wood91@hotmail.co.uk

DalesBus Ramblers - Walk Gradings.

EASY
These walks are for anyone who does not have a mobility difficulty. Walks are on clear maintained paths & any river crossings are on bridges. Walking is mostly on the flat, there are gates rather than stiles.

Comfortable shoes or trainers can usually be worn but if bad weather, winter boots may be more appropriate.
Distance- 3-5miles

EASY-MODERATE
If you have a bit of experience walking in the countryside and a reasonable level of fitness these walks will be suitable for you. They may include unsurfaced rural paths, open countryside and some stiles. They may include some small hills.
We recommend you bring walking boots and warm & waterproof clothing suitable for the season.
Distance 5-8miles

MODERATE
These walks may be in open countryside and include some steep paths, stiles, or small crossings without bridges. Walks may be at a brisker pace so you will need a decent level of fitness and some experience of walking in the countryside. Walking boots and warm & waterproof clothing essential.
Distance 7-9miles

MODERATE-STRENUOUS
These walks may be in open countryside with hills & steep paths, stiles or small crossings and some rough terrain. They will be at a brisk pace so are recommended only for experienced walkers with good levels of fitness.
Walking boots (or trail shoes) and warm & waterproof clothing appropriate for the season are essential.
Distance 8-10miles

STRENUOUS
As for **Moderate / Strenuous** but may be longer walks at a faster pace, or significant ascent or large sections of walk may be over pathless terrain.
Distance between 8-12m

All interested walkers, please note:

Whilst every care will be taken by our experienced leaders, anyone joining the walk must be responsible for their own safety. Anyone without adequate footwear or clothing will be asked not to join the walk as this could put the safety of others at risk especially during winter months. Walk leaders also reserve the right to alter or curtail the walk in the event of poor or difficult weather conditions.