

Guest Information



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Dear Guest,

Thank you for choosing to visit New York Public Library. We hope you enjoy your stay. Whether you are here just to relax, explore the Yorkshire Dales or have an action packed time, you will find there are plenty of things to do.

Hopefully this guest book will help you make the most of your stay. We have included practical information about the property, things to do, maps, a guide to local pubs, restaurants, activities and visitor attractions in the local area.

Please feel free to call 01748 850 333 if you need any further information, our staff will be happy to help!

If you are online, please do follow our journey...

You can find us on Facebook **@HolidayatHomeYorkshire**, Twitter **@Holiday_at_Home** and Instagram **@holidayathomeyorkshire...**



Have a great time and come back soon!

Yours sincerely,

Roy and Will – Owners
Holiday at Home Ltd

This information pack is designed to help you make the most of your stay at New York Public Library and help things run smoothly.

Every effort has been made to ensure your comfort and we aim to provide a high quality service. Please let us know if there are ways in which you think we can improve the facilities or if you have encountered any problems.

A welcome hamper containing a selection of groceries will be in the kitchen on arrival to help you relax quickly from your journey. The contents of this hamper may vary from time to time subject to season and availability.

Office opening hours:

Monday to Friday 8.30am – 5.00pm
Saturday and Sunday 8.30am – 1pm

Office telephone number - **01748 850333**

Out of Hours Emergency number - **07919 451626**

You may meet members of our team during your stay but just for the record we are:-

Roy Stephenson	-	Director
William Stephenson	-	General Manager
Joe Nalder	-	Operations Manager
Kate Richardson	-	Reception, Admin and Bookings
Laura Hall	-	Reception, Admin and Bookings

We are here to help, please let us know if you need anything.

Emergency Evacuation Procedure

In the unlikely event of a fire, please think of your own safety first. There are fire extinguishers located in the kitchen and on the landing, and a fire blanket in the kitchen. Please evacuate people as necessary before attempting to extinguish any minor outbreaks. If the fire is too large, **call the emergency services on 999** giving the address:

New York Public Library
Brough Park
Richmond
North Yorkshire
DL10 7PJ

Then contact 01748 850 333 (office hours) or the out of hours emergency number 07919 451 626

If you are asked to evacuate for any reason please assemble outside in the car park.

Information about New York Public Library

Departure

Unless alternative arrangements have been made, we kindly request that you vacate **before 10.00am** on the day of your departure, this will give us time to prepare the house to the same high standard for the next guests. If you would like a later departure, it may be possible to make special arrangements if no one is arriving that day but only by prior arrangement. Please put the keys back into the key-box where you retrieved the key. Let us know if there have been any problems and if possible leave the comments form, which was in your welcome pack.

Care of the Property

We have decorated and equipped the house to a high specification, most items have been individually sourced and are expensive to replace. We do understand that occasionally accidents happen; please report breakages as soon as possible to give us time to replace them before the next guests arrive. Please also refer to our terms and conditions.

There is an alarm system, which you are free to use if you are concerned about security. Please contact reception for the code and instructions.

Wi-Fi Internet Connection

We have broadband, which will allow you to connect to the Internet, this is free to use. Look for New York Public Library in your Wi-Fi settings and use password: **123newyork52**

Noise

Please respect the neighboring properties and keep noise levels to a minimum between 10.00pm and 8.00am especially in the garden.

Smoking

The house is strictly non-smoking.

Dog Owners

For your pet's safety and consideration of our other guests, please be mindful of the following:

Up to 2 dogs are allowed at New York Public Library.

Please clean up after your dog (spare bags available in the kitchen).

Do not allow dogs into the bedrooms or on to furniture.

Keep muddy wagging tails away from the curtains and walls

Appliances

There is a book in the kitchen drawer with a copy of instructions for the appliances.

Television

The televisions receive free-view digital transmissions reception is generally quite good depending on the weather conditions. The TV in the living room will play DVD's or CD's. There is also a portable wireless speaker; you can connect to your device using Bluetooth.

Lighting in the Garden

There are 2 way light switches by the side door into the garden and in the living area near the drinks fridge, which illuminate the garden.

Lost Property

If guests leave behind any personal belongings they must be claimed within two weeks. We are happy to return any goods for a small charge of £5 depending on item. Please note goods will not be kept along longer than two weeks due to high volume of lost property accumulated.

Garden Furniture

A set of garden furniture with a parasol will be kept in the garden. Please collapse the parasol when not in use so it doesn't blow away. There is also seating on the balcony.

Recycling and Rubbish Disposal

Plastic boxes are provided for recycling, they are situated near the gate. We recycle glass, paper, cans and recyclable plastics and cartons (check on the pack) please use the boxes accordingly, please help by making sure bottles, cans and containers are clean before putting them into the box.

Rubbish should be put in the bin, which can be found near the gate. Please use bin liners provided. If you require your bin emptying during your stay please ask reception. Please do not leave rubbish bags outside where animals may be tempted.

The Heating System

The ground source heating system can be controlled by the thermostats, one in the kitchen and another in bedroom 1. The upstairs heating is timed to come on upstairs between 7am to 10am and 5pm until 11pm. downstairs runs continuous Depending on the weather it will be switched off during the summer months. The hot water is continuous.

Extractor Fans

These are provided for the kitchen and bathrooms. The bathroom extractors are linked to the light switch. The kitchen fan is within the large extractor hood over the hob. Please use the extractor fan when cooking to prevent condensation and cooking odours around the living area.

American Fridge / Freezer

There is a side-by-side American fridge freezer in the kitchen; this features an ice and cold-water dispenser. Just place your glass under the outlet and push gently the lever to operate. Please refer to the user guide for detailed instructions.

Log Burning Hot Tub

The hot tubs can be used all year round; arguably they are more fun in winter especially when it is snowing!

Our hot tubs are made from Siberian Larch and the water is heated by an external wood burning stove and can take 2-4 hours to heat up depending on the outside temperature and the heat of the boiler.

The hot tub should be filled to at least 2/3 capacity before lighting the stove, the water level should be over the two warm water feed tubes in the side of the tub.

To light the burner, use a couple of fire lighters, some kindling and some smallish logs to get the fire going, then continue to stoke the fire by putting more logs on – keep it fairly well stocked. Use the sliding slotted door on the front of the stove to regulate the air supply – more air makes it burn faster. If sparks are shooting out of the top of the chimney it is too hot, dampen with the sliding door and use less logs.

The burner has an internal water heater, which uses convection heat to suck cold water from the bottom of the hot tub and circulate warm water out of the two outlets higher up.

The water temperature is controlled by opening/closing the slotted door and using more or less logs on the stove.

The Patagonian Grill Station:



How to Use the Wood Fired Oven:

Build your fire in the centre of the oven using 7-9 sticks of dry kindling, one to two firelighters, and two to three small logs. Once the fire gets going, add 2-3 pieces of wood so that the flame reaches the centre and front of the dome, without lapping too far out of the oven opening. Once the fire is well established, continue adding more wood, and wait for about 20 minutes. After about 20 minutes, after the logs have turned from black to white then begin building the fire toward the walls of the oven by adding pieces of wood on either side of the fire, and in the back. Within a few minutes, you will see the whitening spreading across the dome to the sides. After roughly 45 minutes, the entire cooking dome will turn clear, and the cooking surface will have reached the desired 700°F for cooking and you will have saturated your oven with the heat it will need for baking and roasting. You are ready to start baking pizzas, or you can let the oven temperature fall in order to start roasting or baking higher heat appetisers.

How to use the Grill Station:

Place the chimney starter on one side of the grill. Using the charcoal provided which has been made in our kiln from hazel grown sustainably in the woods around us, place this on top of the chimney starter shown in the image above, with a few firelighters underneath and get ready for lots of smoke. The smoke should die down after 2-3 minutes as the coals start to catch on fire, After 20 minutes the coals should be ready for grilling. A sure sign that the coals are almost ready is when you start to see fire coming out of the top of the chimney.

With the gloves provided, empty the hot coals in the chimney on to the grill and spread evenly on the grate! Place the grilling tray on top and you are now ready to start cooking!

Inventory – New York Public Library

Crockery

Dinner Plates
Side Plates
Cereal Bowls
Soup Bowls
Egg Cups
Mugs
Cups and saucers
Gravy Boat
Milk Jug
Serving dishes
Tea pot
Sugar Bowl
Condiment set
Butter Dish

Glassware

Tumblers
Red Wine Glasses
White Wine Glasses
Plastic Glasses
Champagne Glasses
Water jug

Cutlery

Table Knives
Table Forks
Side Knives
Dessert Forks
Soup Spoons
Dessert Spoons
Table Spoons
Teaspoons
Steak Knives
Bread Knife
Cooking Utensils
Knife Block

Miscellaneous Kitchen

Washing Up Liquid

Cookware & Baking

Baking tray & Flat Tray
Yorkshire pudding tray
Pizza tray
Frying pan & Wok
Saucepans
Sieve
Colander
Glass bowl
Mixing bowl
Steamer
White and Red chopping board
Wooden bread board
Kitchen scales
Meat platter
Lasagna dish
Casserole dish
Lemon Juicer

Utensils

Pizza Cutter
Bottle opener
Garlic press
Tin opener
Nutcracker
Potato peeler
Grater
Measuring jug
Rolling pin
Scissors
BBQ tools
Pastry brush
Ice tray
Bottle stop

Other Items

Kettle
Toaster & toast rack
Blender

Linen & Bedroom

All bed Linen, as agreed
All towels, as agreed
Bed Throws
Coat hangers
Hair Dryer in each room

Bathroom

A selection of toiletries
Cotton wool
Anti Slip Mat
Sanitary Bags
Toilet rolls

Utility Room

Iron & Ironing Board
Broom
Mop & Bucket
Fire extinguisher
Vacuum cleaner
Fire Blanket
Clothes airier
Hoover bag
Angle poise reading lamp

Outside

Barbeque stand with cover
Garden table and chairs
Sun parasol
Fan

The Local Area

New York Public Library is in a fairly rural location but there are some shops nearby. If you turn left out of the gate and then left again at the bottom of the road towards Catterick Garrison you will find Beacon Garage, a Nisa filling station with a small convenience store and a Lidl store.

Further up the road at the second set of lights, turn right and you will find a small co-op supermarket and a Boots chemist.

In Catterick Garrison you will find an Aldi store and a large Tesco supermarket and many other shops and facilities.

New York Public Library is situated a couple of miles from the market town of Richmond, commonly known as 'The Gateway to The Dales'.

Richmond is one of Britain's most beautiful market towns, with its 11th Century castle, fine historic buildings, large cobbled market place and many hidden corners, making it a treasure trove for visitor's, however like anywhere its best to have a bit of inside knowledge.

Here are some of our recommendations:-

The Station – A converted Victorian railway station with a two screen cinema, café/restaurant, art gallery, ice cream parlour, cheese shop, delicatessen, confectioners, micro-brewery and there is usually an art exhibition too, a great place to visit! There is a swimming pool situated next door to 'The Station'

Richmond Castle – Built in 1071, one of the oldest Norman castles in the country. Views from the top are breath taking, the steps up there are too...

The Georgian Theatre Royal- Well worth a look, it is the oldest and most complete working theatre in England and also houses a museum. Check out what's on and book if you can. Tours around the theatre commence every hour until 4pm.

River Walks- There are a number of interesting walks around Richmond, why not try the Drummer Boy walk for some spectacular views of the river Swale, the Batts and the Castle. A Map is available from reception.

Culloden Tower – A popular landmark of Richmond built in 1746 to celebrate the victory of the Duke of Cumberland’s army over Prince Charles Edwards Stuart.





Friary Tower – This 15th century tower is one of the town’s oldest monuments and dominates the friary memorial gardens.

Millgate House Gardens – A unique and special garden overlooking the river Swale with the waterfalls in the background “one of the most surprising & fascinating gardens in the North of England”

Taxis

Star Cars, Richmond	01748 821414
Amalgamated Taxi, Richmond	01748 825 112
K & N Travel x16 seat mini bus	07148 812875 / 07734 564907

Banks in Richmond

 NatWest	20 Market place, Richmond, DL10 4QF
 HSBC	23 Market place, Richmond, DL10 4QQ
 BARCLAYS	55 market place, Richmond, DL10 4JH
 Lloyds TSB	2 Frenchgate, Richmond, DL10 4JG

Hospital, Doctor, Dentist and Veterinary

Scorton Medical Centre Doctors Surgery: Scorton, DL10 7HB, 01748 811320
Quaker Lane Doctors Surgery, Richmond. DL10 4BB, 01748 850440
Lion House Dental Practice, 6 Pottergate, Richmond DL10 4AB 01748 822321
Swale Veterinary Surgery, Fairfield Way, Richmond. DL10 4TB, 01748 826600
The Friarage Hospital, Northallerton DL6 1JG 01609 777911
Minor Injury Unit – Harewood medical practice, 42 Richmond Road, Catterick Garrison, DL9 3JD 01748 833904 (8am – 6pm Monday – Friday)

Places of Worship

St Agathas, Easby, Richmond - Tel: 01748 811840
Richmond Methodist Church, The Manse, - Tel: 01748 823149.

Local Shops and Supermarkets

TESCO Gough Road, Catterick Garrison. DL9 3EN, Tel: 0845 6779137. Distance: 3 miles

Opening Hours

Monday – Friday 24 hours

Saturday – Midnight-10pm

Sunday 10am – 4pm

The **co-operative** Richmond, Market Place 6 Market Place Richmond DL10 4HU Distance 6 miles

Opening Times:

Monday – Friday 8am – 10pm

Saturday - 8am – 8pm

Sunday – 11am-5pm

Farm Shops

Brooke's – A filling station come farm shop based in Richmond, North Yorkshire. DL10 7AW, Distance 6 miles. An independent family run business who specialise in providing quality, locally sourced produce for your convenience. www.brookesuk.com

Cross Lanes – Located on the A66 DL12 9SL – 01833 630619, Distance 9 miles
Serving rustic dishes made with organic ingredients, using a fired oven to make artisan bread, stone baked pizza and many other delights. The farm shop also has its own butchers supplying local organic meats, there is also a deli offering a range of cheese, olives, antipasti, salami and home cooked organic roast meats. www.crosslanesorganics.co.uk

Mainsgill Farm Shop – Located on the A66, DL11 7PN – 01325 718860, Distance: 10 Miles
Family run farm shop & tearoom, also has a farmyard with Kevin the Camel open 7 days a week. www.mainsgillfarm.co.uk

Fuel Stations

Tesco (24 Hour Pay at Pump available)
Richmond Road
Catterick Garrison
DL9 3EN, 0845 6779137, 3 miles

Shell (UK) Ltd Petrol Station
Great North Road (A1 North)
Middleton Tyas, Richmond
DL10 6PB, 01748 829020, 6 miles

Brooke's Petrol Stations
Darlington Road
Richmond. DL10 7AW, 01748 824203, 6 miles

SG Petch (Richmond) Ltd
21-12 Victoria Road, Richmond
DL10 4AS, 01748 825, 6 miles

Speciality shops in Richmond

Edwina's Cakes – 17 Frenchgate, Richmond, DL10 4HZ - 01748 826622

At the bottom of the market square turn left. Edwina's Cakes produce cakes for all occasions, all home made on the premises. She even provides the shortbread biscuits in your welcome hamper.

Jefferson's of Richmond – 57B, Market place, Richmond, DL10 4JQ - 01748 821258

At the bottom of the market place, Jefferson's, the local grocers shop / Deli sell traditional hand prepared seasonal foods, including a range of baked cakes, biscuits, tarts and savory items, such as quiche, flans and pies.

Angus Morton Butchers – 6 Finkle street, Richmond, DL10 0QA - 01748 822644

Traditional local butcher's selling locally reared meats, also sausage's, cooked meats, own cured bacon and burgers, ideal for the BBQ, all prepared on the premises. Ask for Ian.

Frenchgate Fudge Makers & Chocolatiers -1 Frenchgate, Richmond DL10 4HZ 01748

825893 Home- made chocolates and fudge made on the premises, also Belgian truffles. Ask for Janet.

Saturday Market

The Saturday market is held outside all year round in Richmond Market place. It is a major attraction for visitors and a popular meeting place for local people. A wide selection on a variety of goods are offered for sale with a farmers market held within the town on the 3rd Saturday of each month. Try Carricks for the fresh fish, fruit and vegetables.

Local Restaurants

Fine Dining:

Frenchgate Hotel – 59-61 Frenchgate, Richmond, DL10 7AE – 01748 822 087

Distance: 6 miles. Enjoy some of Yorkshire's finest food, wines and refreshments, served in beautiful surroundings. www.thefrenchgate.co.uk

The Black Bull – Moulton, Richmond, DL10 6QJ - 01325 377556 Distance: 8 miles. This well-known restaurant/pub was re-launched by provenance Inns in spring 2014. A major refurbishment promises good food in a stylish environment. www.theblackbullmoulton.com

The Coach House at Middleton Lodge – Middleton Tyas, Richmond, DL10 6NJ – 01325 377 977 Distance: 8 miles. This restaurant is located in the old carriage house of Middleton Lodge, with the original plasterwork, exposed bricks, cast iron hay racks and small markings from the horses and coaches all beautifully restored. Gareth Rayner's seasonal menu takes a rustic approach to well loved British dishes, using the very best locally sourced produce.

www.middletonlodge.co.uk/index/

The Bay Horse - Hurworth, Darlington. DL2 2AA - 01325 720663 Distance: 16 miles, Old English dining in a pleasant village near Darlington www.thebayhorsehurworth.com

The Raby Hunt Restaurant – Summerhouse, near Darlington, DL2 3UD – 01325 374237 Distance: 16 miles. This small restaurant in the countryside has recently been awarded a Michelin star. Head chef James Close prepares wonderful food using finest seasonal ingredients and modern British style. www.rabyhuntrestaurant.co.uk

The Blue Lion - East Witton, Leyburn, North Yorkshire, DL8 4SN– 01969 624189

Distance: 13 miles. An 18th century coaching inn-serving quality, gourmet food. Named the 'Dining Pub' of the year three times. Try the slow roast duck! www.thebluelion.co.uk

The Wensleydale Heifer – West Witton, DL8 4LS - 01969 622322- Distance:14 miles
There are two alternative dining experiences, each offering different atmosphere's, but both with the same great service and fantastic food. www.wensleydaleheifer.co.uk

Quality Pub Food/Bistro:

La Piazza Richmond – Dundas Street, Richmond. DL10 7AB – 01748 825008
Distance: 6 miles. A vibrant Italian style restaurant serving traditional Italian food ranging from pizzas and pasta dishes to seafood and grills. www.lapiazzaitalianrichmond.co.uk

Rustique Restaurant – Chantry Wynd, Richmond DL10 4QB - 01748 821565 Distance: 6 miles. French style cooking and unpretentious. www.rustiqueyork.co.uk

The Heifer - Scorton, Richmond, North Yorkshire DL10 6DH - 01748 811357 Distance 6 miles.
A small but lively, contemporary gastro pub. www.theheifer.com Closed on Mondays.

The White Swan – Gilling West, Richmond, DL10 5JG 01748 825122 Distance: 9 miles.
Specialising in boutique burgers and 35 day aged grass fed beef. This bistro style pub also offers daily specials and Tapas platters. www.thewhiteswan.co

The Black Horse Inn – Kirkby Fleetham, DL7 0SH 01609 749010 Distance: 11 miles.
Serves classic British dishes using local produce www.blackhorsekirkbyfleetham.com

The Fox Hole – Piercebridge, DL2 3SJ – 01325 374 286 Distance: 13 miles. From the welcoming 'Wellie' bar through to the relaxed yet elegant dining room and al fresco dining terrace, the emphasis is on high quality, carefully sourced food and drink, combined with traditional pub values.

The White Swan – Middleham, DL8 4PE 01969 622093 Distance: 13 miles.
A lively and popular pub with brasserie restaurant, good contemporary food in an equally modern setting, with well kept Black sheep beers. www.whiteswanhotel.co.uk

Local Dog Friendly Pubs:

Richmond

The Farmers Arms –Village Green - Scorton

The Station – Doggies are allowed on the outside seating area.

The Turf Hotel – Doggies welcome in the bar

The Castle Tavern – Doggies allowed in the bar

The Kings head hotel – Doggies welcome in the bar and outside decking area.

The Black Lion – Doggies allowed in the bar

Piercebridge

The Fox Hole – Doggies allowed in the bar, dog beers also available

Coffee shops and Tea Rooms

Seasons Restaurant – The Station, Richmond. DL10 4LD – 01748 825340 Distance: 6 miles
Seasons has menus designed around a modern British theme with Mediterranean and Asian influences. A pleasant walk along the river or a short drive from Brompton Lakes. The old gothic railway station now features this quality café/restaurant – worth a visit. Look out for the Sunday Jazz brunch sessions <http://www.restaurant-seasons.co.uk/>

Cross View Tea Room – 38/39 Market Place, Richmond DL10 4QL - 01748 825897 Distance: 6 miles. A traditional tea room overlooking Richmond's market place, serving locals and

tourists freshly prepared food and drinks. Try the lemon meringue pie!

www.crossviewtearooms.co.uk/

Betty's Tea Rooms – High St, Northallerton, DL7 8LF – 01609 775 154 Distance: 15 miles

One of England's most iconic teashops, serving high-class brews and dainty treats to the gentry ever since 1919. We highly recommend popping in for a Fat Rascal! www.bettys.co.uk/

Asian

Amontola Tandoori - 8-10 Queens Road, Richmond DL10 4AE – 01748 826070

The Amontola brothers run this popular Indian restaurant for both sit down meals and takeaways. Offering exceptional naan breads! www.amontola.co.uk

New Treasure Garden - 7 Castle Hill, Richmond DL10 4QP – 01748 825827

A wide range of traditional Cantonese and szechunese dishes offered in a relaxed and informal oriental atmosphere. www.newtreasuregarden.co.uk

Taste of Thailand -15 King St, Richmond DL10 4HP · Richmond, Distance 2 miles 01748 829696. A great Thai takeaway.

Delivery Service

Alessandro's Hideaway – 10 Queens Road, Richmond, DL10 4AE – 01748 850 777

Great Sicilian and Italian food. Free Delivery over £15. www.alessandros.uk/

Dehli-Cious – 15 Cutpurse Lane, Richmond, North Yorkshire, DL10 4PF - 01748 824916

'Best Indian Food in Richmond' www.just-eat.co.uk/restaurants-delhicious-dl10/menu

Pizza Pronto – 53 Market Place, Richmond, North Yorkshire DL10 4JJ - 01748 826265

<http://www.pizzaprntorichmond.co.uk/>

Fish and Chips

Richmond Fisheries (Fish and Chips) – Newbiggin, Richmond. DL10 4DT – 01748 822937

Things to do / Family and child friendly attractions

Wensleydale Railway - Leeming Bar Station, Northallerton DL7 9AR 0845 4505474

Distance:14 miles. Take a train through Wensleydale, Leeming to Redmire.

www.wensleydalerailway.com

Thorp Perrow Arboretum –Thorp Perrow, Bedale. DL8 2PR – 01677 425323 Distance: 12

miles. One of the largest collections of trees and shrubs in the North of England set in 85 acres. Also hosts a Bird of Prey and Mammal centre doing daily demonstrations. Other on-site attractions include 'party in the park' style evening entertainments, see their website for details. www.thorpperrow.com

Big Sheep Little Cow – Aiskew Watermill, Aiskew, Bedale. DI8 1AW – 01677 422125

Distance: 10 miles. All weather farm attraction where you can cuddle goats & bath a pig. There is an indoor adventure play area with slides, swings, bridges, tunnels to crawl through, towers to climb and spinning discs.

Aerial Extreme and Action Adventure – The Camp Hill Estate, Kirklington, Bedale DL8 2LS 0845 652 1736 Distance: 15 miles. A unique, exciting and fun packed day ideal for children, families and groups. Amaze yourself as you take each of the challenges head on, from speedy zips, mid air jumps, suspended gravity defying climbing walls, Segway rides, water zorbs, quad bikes and much more. www.aerialextreme.co.uk

Forbidden Corner – Tugill Park Estate, Coverham, Middleham, Leyburn, DL8 4TJ – 01969 640 638 Distance: 16 miles. Voted the best children's attraction in Yorkshire, this makes a truly unforgettable day out for all of the family. A unique labyrinth of tunnels, chambers, follies and surprises created within four acres of garden in the heart of Tugill Park and the Yorkshire Dales. Whilst you are at Forbidden Corner, why not try out The Saddle Room for a truly unique dining experience - a brand new restaurant, serving good honest food and an award winning wine cellar and bar area. www.theforbiddencorner.co.uk

Lightwater Valley - North Stainley, Ripon HG4 3HT 01765 635 321 Distance: 20 miles. Lightwater Valley has over 40 rides and attractions for all the family, including Europe's longest rollercoaster. Located in the grounds of Lightwater Valley Park, there is also a Birds of Prey Centre and shopping village www.lightwatervalley.com

Beamish Museum – Stanley, County Durham DL9 0RG 0191 370 4000 Distance: 43 miles Beamish is a world famous museum telling the story of the people of North East England during the Georgian, Victorian, and Edwardian periods. www.beamish.org.uk

Wackadayz Play and Party – Station Rd, Brompton on Swale, 01748 810 077 Distance: 5 miles. Wackadayz is a children's play centre with both inside and outside facilities. www.wackadayz.co.uk

Castles, Abbeys and Ruins

Easby Abbey – Easby, Richmond. DL10 7EU – 0370 333 1181 Distance: 6 miles
The substantial remains of a 12th century medieval abbey close to the river Swale and an excellent picnic spot.

Richmond Castle - Richmond. DL10 4QW – 01748 822493 Distance: 6 miles. One of the oldest Norman stone fortresses in the UK, and it is the most distinctive feature in the town.

Jervaulx Abbey - Park House, Jervaulx, Ripon 01677 460226 Distance: 12 miles
Ruined Cistercian abbey set in 110 acres of parkland. Combine with a visit to Brymor Ice Cream Parlour which is situated close by!

Middleham Castle - Castle Hill, Middleham, Leyburn – 01969 623899 Distance: 13 miles
Favourite home of Richard III, 12 Century Castle.

Bolton Castle – Near Leyburn, DL8 4ET, 01969 623981 15 Miles One of the country's best preserved medieval castles, situated in the heart of Wensleydale with stunning views over the Yorkshire Dales National Park www.boltoncastle.co.uk

Fountains Abbey and Studley Royal – Adfield, Ripon, North Yorkshire. Distance 26 miles. HG4 3DU Tel: 01765 608888. Yorkshires first World Heritage site. A huge estate of great beauty, contrasts and surprises including the largest Abbey ruins in the country and spectacular Georgian water gardens – exceptional www.fountainsabbey.org.uk

Halls and Gardens

Constable Burton Hall and Garden – Constable Burton, Leyburn. DL8 5LJ – 01677 450428 Distance: 9 miles. Extensive woodland and formal gardens in the grounds of Constable Burton Hall. Open Mid March to Mid September. www.constableburton.com

Kiplin Hall – Scorton, Richmond. DL10 6AT – 01748 818178 Distance: 8 miles. Jacobean stately home with tearoom, gardens & parkland. www.kiplin.hall.co.uk

Museums

Richmondshire Museum – Ryders Wynd, Richmond. DL10 4JA – 01748 825611 Distance: 6 miles. The story of Richmond from pre-historic times. www.richmondshiremuseum.org.uk

Green Howards Regimental Museum – Trinity Church Square, Richmond. DL10 4QN 01748 826561 Distance: 6 miles. 300 years of history relating to the Green Howards Regiment www.greenhowards.org.uk

The Bowes Museum – Barnard Castle, County Durham. DL12 8NP – 01833 690606 Distance 19 miles . A hidden treasure, a jewel in the heart of beautiful Teesdale. The magnificent building stands proud in the historic market town of Barnard Castle housing internationally significant collections of fine and decorative arts. Home of the famous, life size, mechanical, silver swan. www.thebowesmuseum.org.uk

Theatre

Georgian Theatre Royal– Victoria Road, Richmond. DL10 4DW – 01748 825252 Distance: 6 miles. The oldest theatre surviving in its original form in the UK. Also houses a museum. Professional productions to suite every taste including music, comedy, drama, pantomime and dance www.georgiantgheatreroyal.co.uk.

Darlington Civic Theatre – Parkgate, Darlington, DL1 1RR – 01325 486555. Distance 16 miles. Musicals, comedy, opera and drama to suit all taste. www.darlington.gov.uk/leisure/arts

Breweries

Theakstons Brewery – The Brewery, Masham. HG4 3AH – 01765 680000 Distance: 12 miles
Visit the legendary Theakstons brewery, have a tour and taste brews fresh from the cask & smell the hops in the air. www.theakstons.co.uk

The Black Sheep Brewery – Wellgarth, Masham, North Yorkshire, HG4 4EN, 01765 689227
Distance 13 miles. Take a guided tour of the brewery and find out how they brew “Gods own beer”. There is also a bar, bistro and shop. www.blacksheepbrewery.co.uk

Sporting Activities

Richmond Golf Club – Bend Hag House, Richmond. DL10 5EX – 01748 822457 Distance: 6 miles. Requirements: Handicap certificate, no visitors before 3.30pm on a Sunday. Clubs, trollies and buggies available www.richmondyorksgolfclub.co.uk

Catterick Golf Club – Leyburn Road, Catterick Garrison, North Yorkshire. DL9 3QE – 01748 833671 Distance: 3miles. A challenging course with spectacular views of the Pennines, Cleveland Hills and the Tees Estuary. www.catterickgolfclub.co.uk

Masham Riding Centre –Swinton Park, Masham. HG4 4NS – 01765 689636 Distance: 14 miles . A small rural riding centre set in the beautiful Yorkshire Dales country estate of Swinton Park, with home bred Highland ponies. www.mashamridingcentre.com

The Hollies Riding Centre - Hudswell Lane, Richmond, DL10 4SN 07930 481568, Distance 6 miles. A family run riding school, with rides suited to individual needs.

Catterick Races – Catterick Bridge, Richmond. DL10 7PE – 01748 811478 Distance: 3 miles
Local horse racing track. www.catterickbridge.co.uk

Teesside Karting – Teesside autodrome, south tees motor sports park, Middlesbrough TS6 6HX 01642 231117: Distance 32 miles. Excellent track with good facilities to suit all ages. www.teessidekarting.co.uk

Catterick Leisure Centre – Gough Road, Catterick Garrison, DL9 3EL, Distance 3 miles 01748 831030. The perfect environment to enhance your health, well-being and lifestyle. www.catterickleisurecentre.com

Liberty Health Club - The Engine Shed/Station Yard, Richmond DL10 4LD, 01748 821000 Distance 6 miles. An extensive range of health and fitness activities in North Yorkshire. <http://www.rltrust.org.uk/centres/liberty/home.html>

Explore the Yorkshire Dales further...

Swaledale and Wensleydale are within the Yorkshire dales National park and are areas of outstanding beauty. We have picked out the most notable towns to visit here:

Reeth - Once the capital of the local lead mining industry, Reeth is now a popular place with visitors to the dales and has many tearooms and craft shops, mainly based around the large

village green. Try the Garden House Pottery on the corner of the green selling homemade pottery and Damson cheese. The Overton café is worth trying www.reeth.org

Hawes - This unique market town is famous for its chocolate box, picture postcard appeal, but it also home to some of the most delicious cheese, made famous by Wallace & Gromit, and the ancient art of rope making . There is a popular market, held every Tuesday.

Aysgarth - Near the village of Aysgarth the river Ure tumbles over a series of limestone steps which are known as Aysgarth falls. Although not particularly high the waterfalls are a famous beauty spot & were made even more famous when they featured in Robin Hood- Prince of Thieves with Kevin Costner.

Leyburn – Is an important market town with many shops, hotels, inns and cafes. It is home to Tennants auctioneers who have auctions just about every week. There is also a market every Friday. www.leyburn.co.uk

Middleham - Is home to the largest Keep castle in the North of England and a royal heritage that once earned it the title of the “Windsor of the North”. Explore the towns charming cobbled market squares, Georgian and Victorian tearooms and a rich horse racing heritage. Over 500 leading flat racing and national hunt race horses are trained here and a visit to the Middleham stables and gallops is a must. Further up in Coverdale is the forbidden corner, mentioned elsewhere in the guide. www.middleham.com

Good Pubs and Restaurants in the Dales, see elsewhere in this guide for further details.

Swaledale:

The Burgoyne Hotel – Reeth, DL11 6SN
The Charles Bathurst Inn (CB Inn) Arkengarthdale, DL11 6EN
Tan Hill Inn – Near Reeth (Highest Inn in England) DL11 6ED
The Punchbowl – Low Row, DL11 6PF

Wensleydale:

The Blue Lion – East Witton, DL8 4SN
The Wensleydale Heifer – West Witton, DL8 4LS
Samuels at Swinton Park – Masham, HG4 4JH
The Friars Head – Akebar near Leyburn, DL8 5LY
Simonstone Hall Restaurant – Hawes, DL8 3LY
The White Swan – Middleham – Near Leyburn, DL8 4PE

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