

North Yorkshire walks

Northallerton and Dibdale Circular

About the walk

Discover the delightful Dibdale valley on this easy to moderate walk from Northallerton.



Walk overview

Distance: 5 miles (8 km)

Time: 2.5 hours

Stiles: 3 **Gates:** 10

Terrain: Mostly field paths with some gentle inclines

Map: OS Explorer Map No.302

Local facilities: Plenty of shops, cafes and pubs in Northallerton and a pub at Bullamoor

Photos by George Bateman

Points of interest

Dibdale is a pastoral small valley which leads to the beautiful Droppingwell Wood.

Throughout the walk there are extensive views over the Vale of Mowbray to Wensleydale and the Yorkshire Dales.

Bullamoor is a hilltop hamlet with views to Black Hambleton in the North York Moors. Look out for the unusually-coloured post box in the wall of the Fox and Hounds.

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Route description

1. From the Crosby Road car park, turn right onto Lascelles Lane and walk to a T-junction. Turn right onto Valley Road and go past the Jolly Minister and mini roundabout. As the road bends left turn right along Knotto Bottom Way. At the end of the street take the footpath to the left of the last house. Follow a field path for 100 metres with a hedge on your left. Then turn right with the hedge on your right until you reach a road (Sandy Bank).
2. Stay in the field and turn left on a field-edge path with a hedge on your right. At the bottom of the hill in the second field leave the field and turn left along a quiet road. Follow the road for about 300 metres, then go left through a kissing gate and follow the footpath alongside Dibdale Beck, until you get to a footbridge. Cross the bridge and continue along the delightful Dibdale. Look back for the first view of Northallerton as you climb the hill. Continue downhill with the wood on your left, then go through a kissing gate into Droppingwell Wood.
3. Follow the path through the wood, turning left over a footbridge, then uphill and out of the wood through another kissing gate. Follow the path around the left-hand edge of a field to emerge onto Scholla Lane.
4. Turn right along the lane for 200 metres, then take the footpath on your left (the drive to “Old Tom’s Barn”). Go through the small gate next to the main gate, then through another gate into a field. Go straight on following the field-edge path 30 metres beyond the corner, where there is a gap in the hedge and then go diagonally right across the next field to reach the road. Turn left along the road to the crossroads at Bullamoor. Go straight on (signposted to Brompton).
5. After 200 metres, opposite two bungalows turn left onto a footpath across a field, climbing uphill to enjoy the views from the top. Continue downhill in the same direction, crossing two stiles and towards Harrogate Hill Farm.





Route description continued

6. With the farm on your right go over a stile in the field corner and downhill alongside a brick building. Turn immediately right and follow the path around the edge of the field to join the farm access track. Follow the track downhill and then to the left. Turn right after a large tree and follow the field-edge path with Turker Beck on your right. Leave the field and follow the footpath across Turker Lane. Continue in the same direction, ignoring a path to the left, to pass Alverton School and emerge on Mount Road.

7. Continue straight on, then turn left at the T-junction onto Crossbeck Road. Follow this road, then join Meadow Lane where you bear left, and continue to Bullamoor Road. Turn right and go downhill, then turn left onto Valley Road at the mini roundabout. Take the first right onto Lascelles Lane to return to the car park.

How to get there...

By Car: From A1 follow A19/A168 to Northallerton. Start Grid Ref. SE 372 939.

Parking: Parking in Crosby Road car park Northallerton. Grid Ref. SE 372 939.

Train: Northallerton Station - National Rail Enquiries: 08457 484950.

Bus: Traveline 0871 2002233.



Public footpath can be used by walkers. Waymarked with a yellow arrow.



Public bridleway can be used by walkers, horse riders and cyclists. Waymarked with a blue arrow.



Restricted byway can be used by walkers, horseriders, cyclists and non motorised vehicles. Waymarked with a purple arrow.



Byway open to all traffic (BOAT) can be used by walkers, horse riders, cyclists and motor vehicles. Waymarked with a red arrow.

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This walk guide was developed in partnership with members of the Ramblers - Northallerton Group.

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Always follow The Countryside Code

- Be safe - plan ahead and follow any signs
- Keep dogs under close control
- Prevent uncontrolled moorland fires
- Protect plants and animals, and take your litter home
- Leave gates and property as you find them
- Consider other people

Walk your way to a healthier lifestyle.

Walking one mile burns virtually the same number of calories as jogging a mile, it just takes a little longer!

Walking is FREE and requires no special equipment or clothing.

Regular walking helps reduce the risk of heart disease, strokes, diabetes and high blood pressure.