

THINGS TO SEE ON YOUR RIDE

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-  - Turner Trail - the artist JMW Turner visited Wensleydale and Swaledale several times to sketch and paint. Many of these locations now have a Turner seat to mark his visit.
- **Wensleydale Sheep** - the finest lustre longwool in the world comes from Wensleydale sheep. Their large size, long curled fleeces and blue faces make them easily recognisable. See them in the fields near Garriston.
- **Thornton Steward Reservoir** - hidden in a fold of the hills it is home to a sailing club.
- **Kilgram Bridge** - an ancient Norman bridge built above a well preserved Roman ford crossing the River Ure.
- **Jervaulx Abbey** - a former Cistercian monastery founded in 1156. The ruins are now part of large private parkland and are open to the public.
- **East Witton** - an attractive linear village with extensive green originally used for a market. Look for the impressive boulder fountain.
- **Coverham Bridge** - is a steeply arched and lofty ancient stone packhorse bridge, crossing the fast flowing River Cover after which the dale is named.
- **Coverham Church and Abbey** - originally 13th century, the church remains in occasional use.
- **Pinkers Pond** - with excellent views along Coverdale and a location used by the artist JMT in the 19th century, this is a popular picnic spot.
- **Racehorses** - for over 200 years Middleham has been a training centre with around 15 stables in the area. In the mornings watch the horses being ridden out on the gallops above the town.

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- **Middleham Church** - built in 1291 it has a copy of the Middleham Jewel, a 15th century pendant found in Middleham in 1985. The original is in The Yorkshire Museum, York.
- **Middleham Castle** - Richard III's principal home is known as The Windsor of the North.
- **Ulshaw Bridge** - has an octagonal sundial base inscribed 'R W 1674' the year the bridge was built.

USEFUL INFORMATION



The route uses quieter roads, as recommended by local cyclists, but you will be riding with traffic at times. Follow the Highway Code and take particular care at junctions and on descents.

CYCLING IN THE DALES

- Go slowly and with a wide gap past horse riders; make sure they are aware of your approach
- On narrow lanes give way to large vehicles, such as farm machinery
- If riding off-road remember to close gates and be aware of livestock
- Check your bike is fit for use and carry a puncture repair kit/inner tube; make yourself visible to other road users
- Remember there may be limited or no mobile phone coverage.

Cycle shop and hire:

Leyburn Bikes - 01969 623565

Bike hire only:

Aysgarth Bike Hire - 01969 663534



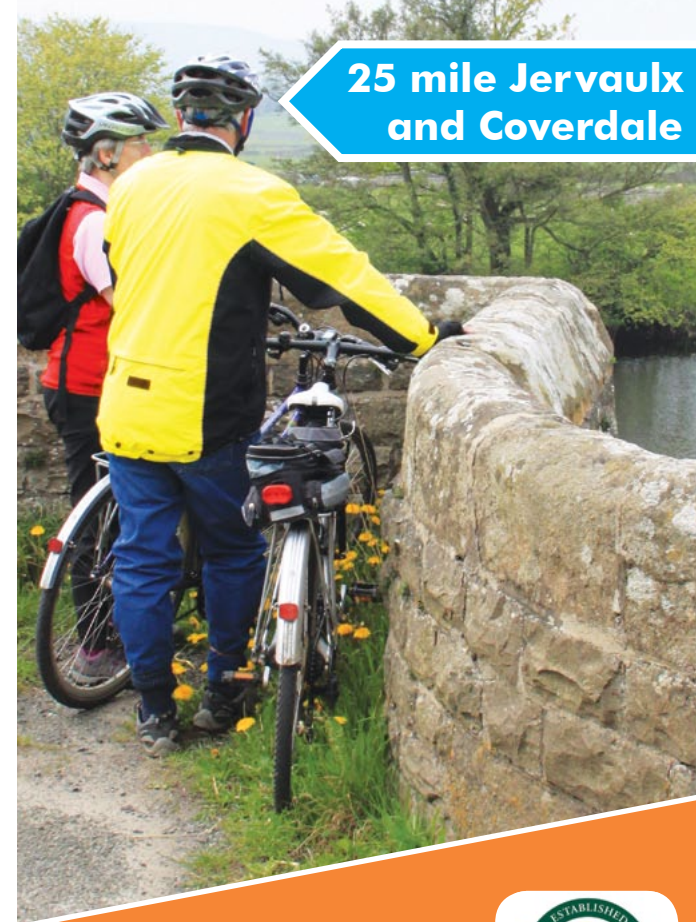
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MEDIUM

EXPLORING WENSLEYDALE BY BIKE CYCLE ROUTES AROUND LEYBURN

**25 mile Jervaulx
and Coverdale**



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LEYBURN - THORNTON STEWARD

Leave **Leyburn Market Place** on A684 signed **Richmond** ① Continue uphill for 1 mile, take 2nd road on the RIGHT, signed **Garriston** ②

Continue for 2 miles to crossroads at Sheepshop, turn RIGHT, signed **A684** ③ In 2 miles go STRAIGHT over crossroads with A684, signed **East Witton** ④ At next crossroads turn LEFT, signed **Finghall** ⑤

Continue for 1.5 miles, take 2nd road on the RIGHT, signed **Newton-le-Willows** ⑥ Continue past waterworks and turn RIGHT, at brow of hill, signed **Thornton Steward** ⑦ Continue past the reservoir and sailing club on your right. At T-junction turn LEFT, signed **Thirn** ⑧



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TOUR DE FRANCE



2014

Stage 1 of the ‘Grand Depart’ on July 5 runs along the A6108 from Leyburn through points

① ⑬ ⑭ ⑪ ⑩ on the map and then on to Masham, Ripon and Harrogate.

By kind agreement of the landowners a permissive cycle route through Jervaulx Park avoids part of the A6108. Stone track may not suit all types of bike.

THORNTON STEWARD - COVERHAM

Turn RIGHT at next crossroads, signed **Jervaulx** ⑨ Continue downhill to cross the River Ure at **Kilgram Bridge**. After 0.5 miles pass access to Jervaulx Park at gatehouse on your right. Continue to A6108 and turn RIGHT, signed **Middleham** ⑩ Continue for 2.5 miles to **East Witton** past Jervaulx Abbey on the right. At Blue Lion pub turn LEFT into village ⑪ At top of village green, bear right onto single track lane and continue for 3 miles to **Coverham Bridge**. Turn RIGHT to cross bridge then RIGHT at T-junction by Coverham church, signed **Middleham** ⑫

COVERHAM - LEYBURN

Continue for 2 miles past gallops on the left, into **Middleham**. At **Market Cross** turn RIGHT on to A6108, signed **Ripon** ⑬ After 1 mile take 1st LEFT, signed **Spennithorne** to cross **Ulshaw Bridge**. ⑭ Continue STRAIGHT ahead for 0.5 miles, then take 1st LEFT, signed **Spennithorne** ⑮

Continue into village with the Hall and Church on your right. Go STRAIGHT ahead at next junction, signed **Finghall** ⑯ past school

Take next LEFT, signed **Leyburn** ⑰ At T-junction with A684, turn LEFT ⑱ Continue to Leyburn passing the Railway Station on your right. At petrol station go STRAIGHT ahead and in 200m enter **Market Place** ⑲

