PENNINE WAY

NATIONAL TRAIL

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## Public Transport along the Pennine Way National Trail – (last updated March 2026)

The Pennine Way may pass through some of the remotest locations in the country but there are still many public transport options available to get you to, from and between different points along the trail.

The following list shows some of the public transport options available. There may be other options not included here and services listed may change. Always check public transport services and times with the service provider for up to date and accurate information – links to service provider websites are provided to help with this.

Journey planning for all means of transport is possible using www.traveline.info (Telephone: 0871 200 22 33). Entering your start point, your destination and travel dates will give you all the available options using public transport.

Information on facilities available at train stations can be found here: www.nationalrail.co.uk/stations.

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| Edale | 0 | **TRAIN**: Edale Station is on the Manchester Piccadilly - Sheffield line (The Hope Valley Line). | Link to Northern Trains timetable |
| Torside Reservoir | 15 | **BUS**: On Fridays only, a bus service runs between Holmfirth and Glossop with a stop at the Visitor Centre at Torside Reservoir. Train connections are available from Glossop (Manchester Piccadilly-Glossop line). | Link to Derbyshire public transport map |
| Crowden | 16 | The closest regular public transport is at Hadfield, 5 miles to the west of Crowden. Taxi services are available in the area.<br><br>**BUS**: Bus services are available from Hadfield to Glossop (no service on a Sunday).<br><br>**TRAIN**: Hadfield Station is on the Manchester Piccadilly - Glossop line. | Link to High Peak Buses timetable<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetable |
| Standedge (A62) | 27 | **BUS**: Bus 184 between Oldham and Huddersfield has a stop at Brun Clough.<br><br>**TRAIN**: The closest station is at Marsden and can be reached by Bus 184. Marsden Train Station is on the Huddersfield - Manchester Piccadilly line. | Link to Transport for Greater Manchester for bus timetables<br>Link to Northern Trains timetable |
| Blackstone Edge (A58) | 34 | **BUS**: Bus 587 between Rochdale and Halifax, (operated by Team Pennine) stops at The White House pub just south of Blackstone Edge Reservoir. This stops at Littleborough, to the west, and Sowerby Bridge, to the east, where train connections are possible.<br><br>**TRAIN**: The closest stations are at Littleborough which is on the Manchester Victoria – Todmorden line or at Sowerby Bridge. Both can be reached using Bus 587. | Link to Transport for Greater Manchester for bus timetables<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetable |

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| Charlestown (A646) | 42 | Hebden Bridge is an easy 1 mile WALK from the Pennine Way at Charlestown.<br><br>**TRAIN**: From Hebden Bridge Station, it is possible to reach Manchester, Blackpool, Colne, York and Leeds (and places in-between) on direct services.<br><br>**BUS**: Bus services are also available from Hebden Bridge. | Link to Northern Trains timetable<br><br>Link to Friends of Hebden Bridge station website with useful bus, train and taxi information |
| Haworth *(Distance from Edale is to Ponden Reservoir, not Haworth)* | 52 | Haworth is not on the Pennine Way but can be reached by taking a 2.5mile/4km deviation from the Trail.<br><br>**BUS**: Bus Services B1 and B2 (Bronte Bus) run between Haworth and Keighley.<br>Bus service B3 (operated by Bronte Bus) runs between Haworth and Keighley and Haworth and Hebden Bridge (with a stop at Hebden Bridge Rail Station).<br><br>**TRAIN**: It is possible to take the Keighley and Worth Valley Railway from Haworth to Keighley. Please note services are limited and the timetable changes throughout the year. Keighley is on the Leeds- Skipton train line (the Airedale Line).<br><br>From Hebden Bridge Station (see bus connection above), it is possible to reach Manchester, Blackpool, Colne, York and Leeds (and places in-between) on direct services. | Link to the Bronte Bus timetables<br><br>Link to Keighley and Worth Valley Railway timetable<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetable |

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| Stanbury *(Distance from Edale is to Ponden Reservoir, not Stanbury)* | 52 | Stanbury is a half mile walk from the Pennine Way and can be reached using the network of public footpaths to the south east of Ponden Reservoir.<br><br>**BUS**: Bus Service B1 (Bronte Bus) operates between Stanbury Hob Hill and Keighley or Stanbury Hob Hill and Haworth<br><br>The Keighley Bus Company's K14 and K16 services are circular services covering Stanbury and Haworth to/from Keighley where onward connections by bus and train are available. Keighley is on the Leeds-Skipton train line (the Airedale Line). | Link to the Bronte Bus timetables<br><br>Link to K14 timetable<br><br>Link to K16 timetable<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetable |
| Ickornshaw | 57 | **BUS**: Ickornshaw is on the Mainline M4 bus service between Keighley and Burnley from where onward services are available by bus and train.<br><br>**TRAIN**: The closest rail connections to Ickornshaw are via the M4 bus service (see above) to either Colne where there are services on train lines to Blackpool, Preston and Burnley with connections to many northern cities, or to Keighley which is on the Skipton – Leeds line. | Link to Mainline M4 bus timetable<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetable |
| Earby *(Distance from Edale is to Thornton in Craven, not Earby)* | 64 | Earby is not on the Pennine Way but can be reached by taking a 1.9mile /3km deviation from the Trail just south of Thornton in Craven.<br><br>**BUS**: The Mainline M5 service between Burnley and Barnoldswick runs through Earby.<br><br>The Stagecoach 280 service between Preston and Skipton also stops at Earby. | Link to Mainline M5 bus timetable<br><br>Link to Stagecoach bus timetables<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables |

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| | | **TRAIN**: The nearest train station is Colne (accessible on the M5 bus service above) from where there are services on train lines to Blackpool, Preston and Burnley with connections to many northern cities.<br><br>Rail services are also available from Skipton and Preston, accessible from the 280 service above. Skipton is on the Skipton to Leeds train line. | |
| Thornton in Craven | 64 | **BUS**: The Stagecoach 280 service between Preston and Skipton stops at Thornton in Craven.<br>The M6 bus service between Burnley and Skipton stops at Thornton in Craven.<br><br>**TRAIN**: Rail connections are available from Skipton, Burnley and Preston all of which are accessible using the bus connections above. | Link to Stagecoach bus timetables<br><br>Link to Mainline M6 bus timetable<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables |
| Gargrave | 68 | **BUS**: Bus services are available to/from Gargrave from Skipton and Lancaster.<br><br>**TRAIN**: Gargrave is on the Leeds-Morecombe and Leeds-Carlisle train lines. | Link to Gargrave bus services<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables |
| Airton | 72 | **BUS**: Limited bus service to Skipton via Gargrave.<br><br>**TRAIN**: The nearest train station is Gargrave which is on the Leeds-Morecombe and Leeds-Carlisle lines and is accessible using the bus service above. | Link to Traveline for Airton bus services<br><br>Link to Dales Bus for local services<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables |

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| Malham | 74.5 | **BUS**: Limited bus service to Skipton via Gargrave.<br><br>Summer Sunday and Bank Holiday service to Skipton and Bradford<br><br>**TRAIN**: The nearest train stations are at Gargrave (which is on the Leeds-Morecombe and Leeds-Carlisle lines and is accessible using the bus service above) or at Settle (which is on the Leeds-Carlisle line). | Link to Traveline for Malham bus services<br><br>Link to Dales Bus for local services<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables |
| Horton in Ribblesdale | 89 | **BUS**: A limited bus service runs to Settle (see service 11 in the timetable in the link)<br><br>**TRAIN**: Horton in Ribblesdale is on the Leeds to Carlisle line with regular services.<br><br>The Yorkshire Dales Explorer is a Saturday service between Rochdale, Manchester Victoria and Ribblehead, stopping at Horton in Ribblesdale. | Link to Horton in Ribblesdale bus service<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables<br><br>Link to Yorkshire Dales Explorer service |
| Hawes | 103 | **BUS**: Various bus services run from Hawes to Richmond, Middlesbrough, Preston, Kirkby Lonsdale, North Allerton, York and Leeds. There is also a bus service to Garsdale Railway Station. See the link for further information.<br>A summer Saturday service runs to/from Lancaster.<br><br>**TRAIN**: The nearest train station is at Garsdale which is on the Leeds-Carlisle Line. Garsdale can be reached using the bus service above. | Link to Hawes bus services<br><br>Link to Northern Trains timetables |
| Thwaite | 112 | **BUS**: A limited bus service is available to Richmond from where onward connections can be made. See the Swaledale Shuttle timetable in the link and note that bookings must be made in advance. The nearest train station | Link to Thwaite bus services |

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| | | to Richmond is Darlington and there are regular bus services between the two locations with Arriva. | Link to Richmond-Darlington Arriva bus connection |
| Keld | 115 | **BUS**: A limited bus service is available to Richmond from where onward connections can be made. See the Swaledale Shuttle timetable in the link and note that bookings must be made in advance. The nearest train station to Richmond is Darlington and there are regular bus services between the two locations with Arriva. | Link to Keld bus services<br><br>Link to Richmond-Darlington Arriva bus connection |
| Tan Hill | 119 | There are no public transport services to/from Tan Hill. The closest bus services are available at Keld or Bowes. The nearest train station is at Kirkby Stephen (approximately 10 miles away). | |
| Bowes | (127 taking the Bowes Loop after Tan Hill). | Bowes is reached if following the Bowes Loop section of the Pennine Way.<br><br>**BUS**: A limited bus service is available to Barnard Castle from where onwards connections can be made. Bus connections to Durham and Darlington are possible from Barnard Castle. | Link to Bowes bus services<br><br>Link to Durham County Council journey planner |
| Middleton in Teesdale | 135 | **BUS**: A bus service operates between Middleton in Teesdale and Barnard Castle. Bus connections to Durham and Darlington are possible from Barnard Castle. | Link to Durham County Council journey planner |
| Bowlees/High Force/Langdon Beck | - | **BUS:** A bus service operates on a Wednesday to/from Bowlees, High Force and Langdon Beck to Barnard Castle. Bus connections to Durham and Darlington are possible from Barnard Castle. | Link to bus timetable |
| Dufton | 155 | **BUS**: There is no bus service to/from Dufton. The nearest public transport is at Appleby-in-Westmoreland which has bus services to Penrith and Kirkby Stephen from where bus and train connections are possible. | Link to Traveline |

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| Alston | 174 | **BUS**: The Tynedale Links 681 bus service runs from Alston to Haltwhistle Rail Station from where onward connections can be made.<br><br>A Bus service operated by Wrights Coaches runs to Hexham.<br><br>**TRAIN**: Haltwhistle is the easiest train station to reach, using the bus service above. Haltwhistle is on the Newcastle-Carlisle line (the Tyne Valley line).<br><br>During Spring/Summer, it is possible to get the South Tynedale Railway between Alston and Slaggyford on certain days – check the timetable in the link. | Link to Go North East journey planner<br><br>Link to Hexham bus service timetable<br><br>Link to Northern Train timetables<br><br>Link to South Tynedale Railway |
| Slaggyford | 180 | **BUS**: The Tynedale Links 681 bus service runs between Alston and Haltwhistle Rail Station with a stop at Slaggyford.<br><br>**TRAIN**: Haltwhistle is the easiest train station to reach, using the bus service above. Haltwhistle is on the Newcastle-Carlisle line (the Tyne Valley line).<br><br>During Spring/Summer, it is possible to get the South Tynedale Railway between Slaggyford and Alston on certain days – check the timetable in the link. | Link to Go North East journey planner<br><br>Link to Northern Train timetables<br><br>Link to South Tynedale Railway |
| Lambley | 183 | **BUS**: The Tynedale Links 681 bus service runs between Alston and Haltwhistle Rail Station with a stop at Lambley,<br><br>**TRAIN**: Haltwhistle is the easiest train station to reach, using the bus service above. Haltwhistle is on the Newcastle-Carlisle line (the Tyne Valley line). | Link to Go North East journey planner<br><br>Link to Northern Train timetables |
| Greenhead | 190 | **BUS**: The Tynedale Links 681 bus service runs between Alston and Haltwhistle Rail Station with a stop at Greenhead. | Link to Go North East journey planner<br><br>Link to Northern Train timetables |

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| Bellingham | 212 | **BUS**: The Tynedale Links 680 bus service runs between Bellingham, Hexham Bus Station and Hexham Rail Station from where onward connections can be made.<br><br>**TRAIN**: Hexham Station is the easiest station to reach, using the bus service above. Hexham is on the Tyne Valley Line between Newcastle and Carlisle. | Link to Go North East journey planner<br><br>Link to Northern Train timetables |
| Byrness | 227 | **BUS**: A limited bus service operates to/from Newcastle with stops at the airport, bus and rail stations. Use Traveline to plan your route.<br><br>**TRAIN**: The closest train station is at Newcastle which can be reached using the bus service above. Other rail options are available with connecting buses from Jedburgh (use the bus above) to Berwick upon Tweed. | Link to Traveline<br><br>Link to Northern Train timetables |
| Kirk Yetholm | 251 (Direct route without Bowes Loop, The Cheviot and optional variations in route). | **BUS**: A limited bus service operates to Kelso with connections to reach Edinburgh and Newcastle.<br><br>Use the link to the Traveline Scotland Journey Planner to find your best route. | Link to Traveline Scotland Journey Planner |