

# The Nelson Inn and surrounding countryside



*Easy to moderate terrain*

A 1.75 mile  
shorter route  
or 2.9 mile  
full route



## Access notes

1. The start of the route involves crossing the main road in front of the pub. This is a fast road so please do take care. There are some other roads/lanes to cross but these are much quieter.
2. There are quite a few stiles and gates along the way which makes this walk unsuitable for pushchairs or dogs that can't be easily lifted. Some of the stiles are old and one or two cross stone walls with very uneven footing in the middle. Please take care.
3. The route crosses fields which can be muddy so consider this and the weather when choosing footwear and clothing and please take a drink.

The Nelson is the perfect pub for refreshments before or after your walk.

This walk can be split into a shorter or longer walk depending on how spritely you are feeling – however, both entail lots of stiles of differing shapes and sizes, all of which will be very tricky with a big dog or if you are unsteady on your feet. The route also crosses farmland which is often home to sheep, so leads for any dogs you do take along and sensible shoes are a must.

This route starts and finishes from the Nelson Inn, Skipton Road, Harrogate, HG3 2BU

## The walk

The first bit is the most perilous ....leave the pub car park and cross over the road – please do take care, it's a fast road. You are aiming for the lane that runs to the right hand side of the last house on the right opposite the pub car park entrance.

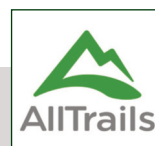
At the end of the lane there is a stile with a sign that says the public footpath is straight ahead, cross this field to the next stile and then onto the next!

Keep left and walk along the left-hand side stone wall taking in the magnificent views to your right.



At the end of the field there's a stone stile next to a gate, climb over that and head down the track to the right. Continue along through the double gates (if closed) with the house to your right, round the corner with a house on your left and cross over the cattle grid (or the stile to the left if you prefer). Look across to your right and, on a clear day, you can see all the way as far as the white horse on the hillside at Kilburn.

Cross over the road in front of you and slightly to the left you will see a public footpath sign and another stone stile to cross over the wall into the field.



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You are heading for a stile that's almost in front of you (perhaps slightly right a little) it's signed with a triangular sign. This next stile is tricky to see, it's kind of hidden along the stonewall, but if you walk diagonally down the hill you come across it and off into the next field you go!



Then you'll be walking along the field with a hedge on the right hand side to the gap between the hedge and the wall opposite. Go through the metal gates and turn right keeping the trees and bushes on your right hand side. After the last holly bush you will see another stone stile with a little directional arrow pointing slightly left follow that one.

Your next stile is almost opposite you.

Climb over that one and a little stream and you will see your next stile straight ahead towards the house. (Hold on tight on this one it's a bit of a ride.) Keep going up this hill following the fence line to the gate to the right of the lovely house.

Keep following yellow arrows which take you to the little gate in the opposite corner along the long stone wall.

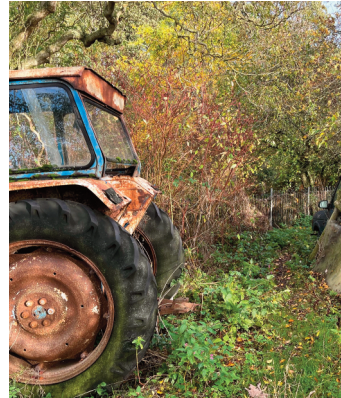
At this point you have two options. Turn right and head up the lane – this takes you back to the house you will recognise from when you crossed the cattle grid and road earlier. There is a bench with a great view so perfect for a breather. From the cattle grid, you can retrace your steps back to the pub.

Alternatively, you can add on a 1.15 mile loop if you'd like to build up more of an appetite. In this case, you will end up back at this point in a little while.

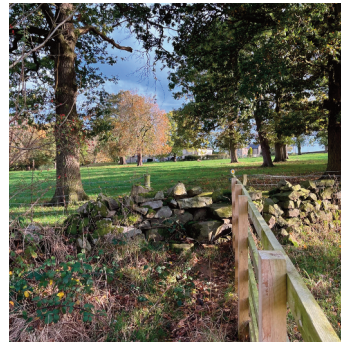
If you are carrying on – take care crossing over the main road and turn right up the hill for a only a few meters. At the side of the last house you will see a path that heads down a track. Follow this and when the track forks, continue right. Only a little way along you will see a fence on your left with a public footpath arrow, head through the gate and follow this fenced off path around the field, all the way to its end. As you round a corner you'll see a gate on your right hand side with the yellow directional sign, go through the

gate across the field and you'll see the other corresponding gates on the other side.

On the other side of the gate head right for a few steps and then the path continues on your left hand side, passed between an old tractor and an old car. You are in the right place if you see a carved owl head. The path runs alongside a garden fence and then you'll come to another stile and then the path follows the line of a stone wall up the hill.



After a while you will come across another stone stile, cross it and follow the yellow arrow directly across the field towards the houses. One more stile and you are on the pavement – turn right and head up the hill till you get to the main road.



Here you turn right and head down the hill to the point where you might have left your fellow walkers. Cross the road at this corner (taking care again) and head along and then down the hill to the point where you chose to add this extra loop. At this point you will (hopefully) recognise where you are and can retrace your steps to the pub by crossing over the cattle grid or stile next to it.

Now time for a nice pint!

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**Walking Safety:** For your safety and comfort we recommend that you take the following with you on your walk: bottled water, snacks (who doesn't love a mid-walk snack), a mobile phone and to wear sensible footwear. If the weather has potential to be a little wet or cold, be sure to carry a waterproof jacket, a woolly hat and maybe a fleece. Check the weather forecast before you leave, carry appropriate clothing and do not set out in fog or mist as these conditions can seriously affect your ability to navigate the route. Some routes include sections along roads, for these please take care to avoid any traffic at these points. Around farmland take care with children and dogs.

