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Hazards

Road crossings and some walking on lanes and narrow roads without pavements. Exposed cliff edges on the coast path and some eroded paths close to steep drops in places. Coast path is exposed to the weather. Muddy and slippery patches especially near stream crossings. Long flights of uneven steps. Uneven and loose surface after Robin Hood's Bay above Clock Case Nab. Cinder track is shared with cyclists and horseriders

Accessibility

There are steep paths and uneven and tall flights of steps, mostly without handrails. The paths are well walked, obvious to follow and generally in good condition with patches of steep and rough ground and sections that will be muddy and slippery after rain. If the tide is out then it is possible to walk to Robin Hood's Bay along the beach. Regular bus runs between Whitby and Robin Hood's Bay, check times before leaving.

Facilities

Café and toilets at Boggle Hole and Whitby hostels. Toilets, shops and food and drink options in Robin Hoods Bay. Cafe and shop at Saltwick Bay Caravan Park. Toilets near station and lots of shops and food and drink options in Whitby. Pubs in Stainsacre and Fylingthorpe.

Before you go:

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yha.org.uk/walk-os

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Premium subscription

- Check the local weather forecast and whether there is enough daylight to complete the walk (metoffice.gov.uk) and check local tide times (easytide.admiralty.co.uk).
- Ensure you are wearing suitable clothing and footwear for the route and weather, and that you take the right kit – learn more at yha.org.uk/walk-skills.
- Download the OS Maps and what3words apps to your phone.
- To be able to contact emergency services by text visit relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms or text 'register' to 999.
- For more information on staying safe in the outdoors visit adventuresmart.uk.
- Complete a route notification card (yha.org.uk/route-card) to provide essential information for the Emergency Services if you do not return when expected.
- Check all members of the group have the fitness and skills to complete the route.

In case of emergency:

- Contact 999 and use OS Maps or what3words to help pinpoint your location.
- To attract attention shout or give six blasts on a whistle at regular intervals. In low light flash a torch six times at regular intervals.
- If you can send someone for help, they need to know your location, number of people in the group and the nature of the emergency.

For more walks or information on route grading and timings go to yha.org.uk/map-guidance

If you encounter problems with this route contact walking@yha.org.uk

Walking has been at the heart of YHA since 1930, helping people access the great outdoors. Today, YHA continues to make adventures possible with mapped routes and affordable hostel stays across England and Wales. Our hostels are ideal for walkers, with drying rooms, self-catering kitchens, and great trails from the doorstep. We're committed to making adventure accessible to everyone, with walks for all abilities and guided walking events that connect people to nature, heritage, and each other.

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Whitby walk





Coast and countryside walk

An invigorating, long route which follows the stunning Coast Path and beautiful former railway line to guide you to and from historic Whitby.

Distance: 15.8 miles (25.5km) **Ascent:** 562m (1,844ft) **Time:** Allow 7h 15m to 11h 45m



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Route directions

Map: OS Explorer (OL27) North York Moors – Eastern area

Start/Finish: Grid ref NZ 954 040 what3words ///purist.funky.singers

- 1 From the hostel turn left up the steps and along the clifftop path to Robin Hood's Bay.
- 2 Turn left onto New Road, cross the beck and continue onto Station Road.
- 3 Turn right onto Mount Pleasant North, then bear right onto the Cleveland Way/ King Charles III Coast Path and follow it to Whitby Abbey.
- Turn right, follow the road to the car park and take the path to the left of the church.
- 5 Head down the 199 steps onto Church Lane and turn left onto Church Street.
- **6** Turn right onto Bridge Street, cross the bridge, turn left onto New Quay Road and continue onto Station Square.
- Turn left onto Windsor Terrace, then bear left onto Waterstead Lane.
- 8 At Gledhill Drive take the footpath on the left. Pass under the A171 and turn right towards the college.
- Ontinue ahead onto the footpath in the back left corner of the car park and follow alongside the playing fields.
- Join the Cinder Track, turn left to cross Larpool Viaduct and continue to Robin Hood's Bay
- Leave the Cinder Track onto Elm Grove and turn left onto Mount Pleasant North.
- Cross over Station Road, head alongside the car park and turn right onto Thorpe Lane.
- 13 Turn left to re-join the Cinder Track at the fingerpost.
- At Middlewood Lane turn left to leave the Cinder Track. Turn left onto Mark Lane, continue to the end and take the footpath on the left.
- (b) Turn right onto the clifftop path and retrace your steps back to the hostel.

