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Helmsley Castle and Walled Garden

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Town walk

Distance: 1.5 miles (2.5km)

Ascent: 9m (30ft)

Time: Allow 30m to 1h



Map: OS Explorer 1:25k (OL26) North York Moor – Western Area

Start/Finish: OS Locate SE 615 840 [what3words](#) ///rebounder.nimbly.single

A lovely stroll through the town with shops, castle and gardens. From the hostel turn right onto Carlton Lane, right onto Carlton Road, left onto Linkfoot Lane, cross at the lights and ahead onto Ashdale Road. Turn right onto The Crescent, which becomes Eastgate, then turn left onto Pottergate. Take the first right onto Rye Court, the lane between the houses. Follow the lane around to the right and take the small alleyway to the left of the garage with a red tiled roof. Pass the Arts Centre and a parade of shops and head through the archway to Bridge Street. Cross the road, bear slightly left onto Borogate and follow it to Market Place. Turn left next to the Royal Oak, then right onto Castlegate and immediately left towards the castle. Bear right at the car park sign to the castle visitor centre, turn left alongside the car park and follow the signs to Helmsley Walled Garden. At the garden turn right onto a broad track, then turn right onto Cleveland Way. Turn right onto Church Street, left onto Market Place, continue ahead, pass the mini roundabout and onto Bondgate. Turn left onto Carlton Road and to the hostel.

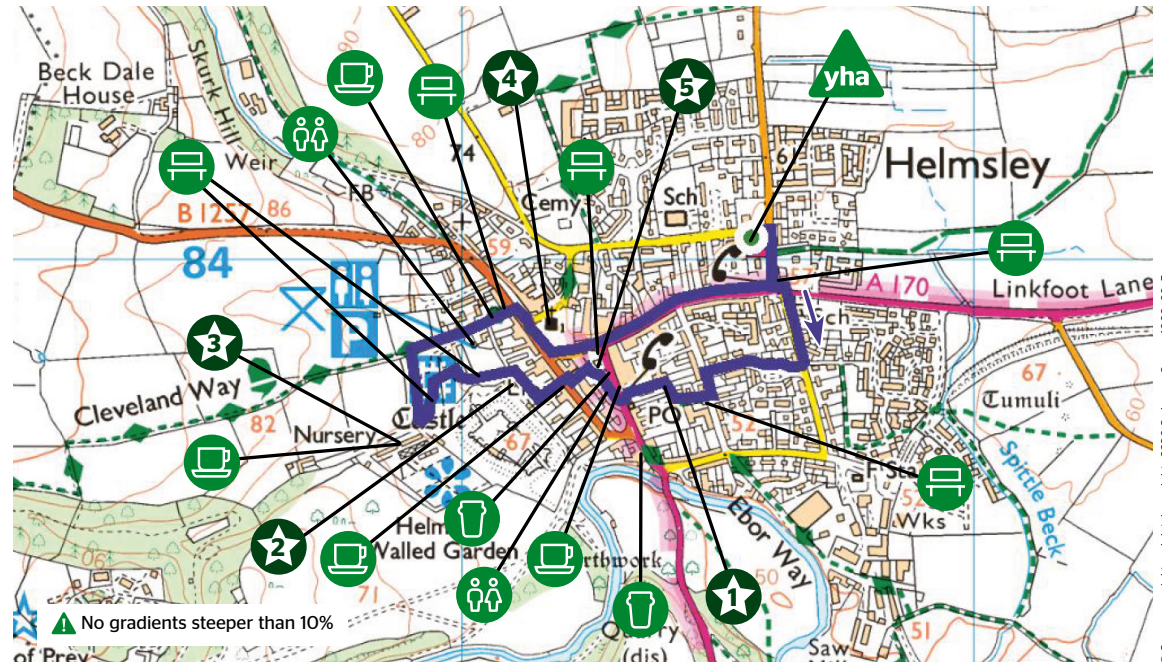
Accessibility

There are no gates or stiles on the route. Single steps in places, most pavements have dropped kerbs. Obstructions narrow pavements in places. Most of the route is paved or small stones. A short section of rough track from the Walled Garden to Castlegate, to avoid retrace the route to the castle visitor centre and turn left alongside the car park to Cleveland Way.

Navigation

Following streets, paths and obvious tracks.

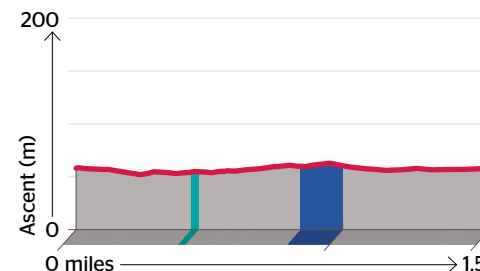
This route has been created by YHA to provide inspiration and to aid planning and preparation of your walk. It doesn't replace the need for an OS Map or the OS Maps App to navigate your walk safely. Digital maps are a guide and do not always reflect the conditions on the ground, ensure you are aware of your immediate surroundings.



Terrain

The route is mostly paved or good tracks. The section from the Walled Garden to Castlegate is a good track with a large stones on the surface and is uneven in places.

● Paved ● Unpaved (flat) ● Unpaved (uneven)



★ Points of interest (see map)

1 Helmsley Arts Centre, 2 Helmsley Castle (entrance fee required) not all paths are wheelchair or pushchair accessible, 3 Helmsley Walled Garden (entrance fee required), 4 Church of All Saints, 5 Monument to Lord Feversham.

🚻🚰🗑️ Facilities (see map)

Toilets, pubs and many cafés and shops in Helmsley. Café at the Walled Garden.

🪑 Seats on route (see map)

♿️ Wheelchair accessible for some

👉 Touch free route

🛴 Pushchair accessible

🚫 Stile free

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To make it easy for everyone to enjoy walking from YHA hostels, we have curated three walks – an easy, moderate, and more challenging option. They have all been graded – the higher the grade, the more challenging the route.

Before you go:

- Check the local weather forecast (metoffice.gov.uk).
- Check the tide times for coastal routes (tidetimes.org.uk).
- Get the right clothing, footwear and kit for the route and weather.
- Ensure you have enough time to complete the route before dark.
- Download the OS Locate and what3words apps to your phone.
- Contact 999 by SMS text (must pre register by texting 'register' to 999) (relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms).
- For further information on how to stay safe visit adventuresmart.uk

In case of emergency call 999 (or text 999 if pre-registered) and use OS Locate or what3words to provide a detailed description of your location.

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Countryside Code

Respect everyone

- Be considerate to those living in, working in and enjoying the countryside.
- Leave gates and property as you find them.
- Do not block access to gateways or driveways when parking.
- Be nice, say hello, share the space.
- Follow local signs and keep to marked paths unless wider access is available.

Hazards

- Take extra care and stay alert where a right of way crosses a railway line.
- When walking on a road without a pavement keep to the right-hand side, so that you can see oncoming traffic. Keep close to the side of the road, and walk in single file if necessary. It may be safer to cross the road well before a sharp right-hand bend so that oncoming traffic has a better chance of seeing you. Cross back after the bend.
- Give wild animals, livestock and horses plenty of space.

Protect the environment

- Take your litter home – leave no trace of your visit.
- Do not light fires and only have BBQs where signs say you can.
- Always keep dogs under control and in sight.
- Dog poo – bag it and bin it – any public waste bin will do.
- Care for nature – do not cause damage or disturbance.

Enjoy the outdoors

- Check your route and local conditions.
- Plan your adventure – know what to expect and what you can do.
- Enjoy your visit, have fun, make a memory.

What to wear

- Comfortable clothing suitable for the conditions.
- Use several layers, so you can add and remove clothing to regulate your temperature.
- Extra warm clothes in case it gets colder.
- Hat, gloves and scarf.
- Sun hat, sun cream and sunglasses.
- Waterproof jacket and trousers.
- Cushioning comfy socks.
- Comfortable well fitting trainers, walking shoes or boots.

Kit

- Map and compass.
- Water, lunch and snacks.
- Charged mobile phone and portable charger.
- First aid kit.
- Torch and spare batteries.
- Rucksack, with waterproof cover or a dry bag or plastic bag inside.
- Medicines or toiletries you would usually use.

You might also want to take

- Picnic blanket.
- Waterproof baseball cap, if you wear glasses.
- Walking poles.
- Tissues and hand sanitiser.