

Eyam and Stoney Middleton

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Countryside and village walk

Distance: 5.2 miles (8.4km) **Ascent:** 393m (1,289ft) **Time:** Allow 2h 45m to 4h

Map: OS Explorer (OL24) Peak District – White Peak area

Start/Finish: OS Locate SK 219 769 **what3words** ///revisits.angle.walled

An interesting and undulating walk with two loops from the historic village of Eyam. From the hostel driveway turn left onto Edge Road, take the footpath on the right and follow the left fork. Continue down the slope onto Water Lane and into the village. At the Miners Arms pub bear left and cross over The Causeway onto Lydgate. At Mill Lane bear right onto the footpath signposted to 'Stoney Middleton via the Boundary Stone'. At the end of the footpath turn right onto the residential street, then left onto The Bank. Turn left onto The Nook, pass the church and continue along a steep track. Cross New Road and follow the footpath to Riley Lane. Turn left, follow the track towards Eyam, turn right onto New Road, then right onto Riley Back Lane. Head up and through the woods, turn right onto to Edge Road then left at the signpost to Bretton. Turn left onto the byway behind the railings and right to follow the path downhill into Eyam. Turn left onto Main Road which becomes Church Street. After the church take the footpath through the church yard and uphill to Edge Road. Turn left back to the hostel.

Hazards

Caution on the roads without footpaths and on the road crossings. No pavement on the road from Edge Road to the footpath at Highcliffe

(900m). Steep and uneven descent into Eyam from the hostel which may be slippery when wet.

Accessibility

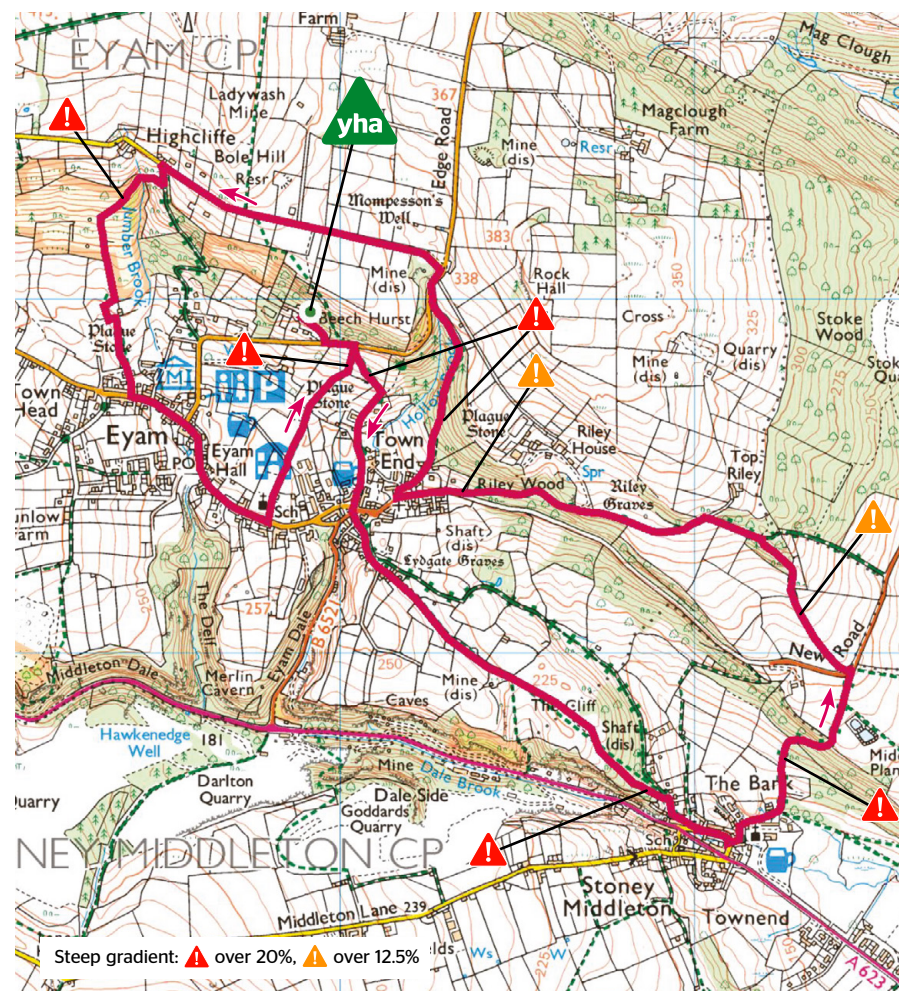
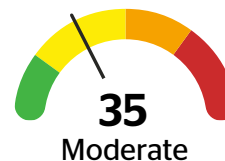
There are stiles on the route, gates and paths less than one metre wide and steps exceeding 10cm. The route includes many steep ascents and descents. The terrain is a mixture of tarmac, grass and gravel path and includes some rough paths with ruts or stones exceeding 10cm.

Points of interest

The whole area around Eyam is of historical interest relating to village life during the Plague outbreak in 1665. There is a museum in Eyam and numerous information boards throughout the route. The route passes close to Mompesson's Well, a short detour from Edge Road. Also historic mine workings and the Boundary Stone. Stoney Middleton has an interesting octagonal Church and 'Roman Baths'. There are several good views on the route including over Eyam, Stoney Middleton and towards Froggatt Edge.

Facilities

Toilets, shop, tea shops and pub in Eyam. Pub and fish and chip shop in Stoney Middleton.



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.



Thank you for choosing to walk from our hostel.
We hope you have a great time.

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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).
- Plan your walk by completing the YHA route notification card it helps Emergency Services if you get into difficulties or fail to return from your walk when anticipated (yha.org.uk/route-card).
- Ensure your entire group have the fitness and skills to complete the route.
- For further information on how to stay safe visit adventuresmart.uk

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



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What to wear

- Base layer and mid layer.
- Walking trousers.
- Warm jacket(s).
- Take extra layer(s).
- Hat, gloves and neck gaiter.
- Sun hat, sun cream and sunglasses.
- Waterproof jacket and trousers.
- Cushioning walking socks.
- Walking shoes or boots.

Kit

- Map, compass and GPS device or OS Map app on your phone.
- Water, lunch and high energy snacks.
- Charged mobile phone and portable charger.
- First aid kit.
- Head torch, spare batteries.
- Watch.
- Whistle and survival bag.
- 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

- Spare socks, hat, gloves.
- Balaclava.
- Leg gaiters.
- Waterproof baseball cap (handy if you wear glasses).
- Walking poles.

- Bivi bag or group shelter.
- Spare food and hot drink.
- Duct tape (handy for fixing things).
- Penknife or multitool.
- Tissues and hand sanitiser.
- Plastic bags to take away your rubbish or dog poo.

In case of emergency

- Call 999 (or text 999 if pre-registered) and ask for the Police.
- Use OS Locate or what3words to provide a detailed description of your location.
- If you need to attract attention shout or give six blasts on a whistle at regular intervals. In low light flash your torch six times at regular intervals.
- If you can send someone for help, they need to know your location (grid reference), number of people in the group and the nature of the emergency.
- Help could be some time coming so whilst waiting make the casualty comfortable.
- Keep the casualty warm and dry using spare clothing. Use coats or rucksacks to insulate them from the ground.
- Remember the rest of the group could be getting cold whilst waiting. Use an emergency shelter or find a sheltered location.