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## YHA Langdon Beck River Tees

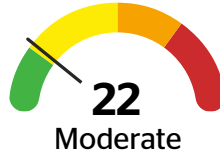
### Moor and river walk

**Distance:** 2.6 miles (4.1km) **Ascent:** 78m (256ft)

**Time:** Allow 1h to 1h 45m

**Map:** OS Explorer 1:25k (OL31) North Pennines

**Start/Finish:** OS Locate NY 860 304 **what3words** ///speaks.foot.lunch



A lovely route taking in a section of the Pennine Way along the River Tees. From the hostel turn left along the B6277 and turn left before the bus stop onto a farm track. Turn right at the first wall and follow a narrow, uneven path through hay meadows. Continue straight ahead on gradually improving paths, then tracks and turn right onto the road before the school. Bear right, turn right onto the B6277 and take the first track on the left marked 'Birk Rigg'. Continue to the River Tees but don't cross. Turn right along the Pennine Way footpath. At the first bridge turn right onto a track to the B6277 and turn left to the hostel.

### Hazards

Caution on the road sections, without pavements. Do not take this route if the river is flooded.

### Accessibility

There are steps and narrow stiles on the route. There are gates and paths less than one metre wide and sections of rough ground with ruts or stones greater than 10cm and high vegetation.

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.

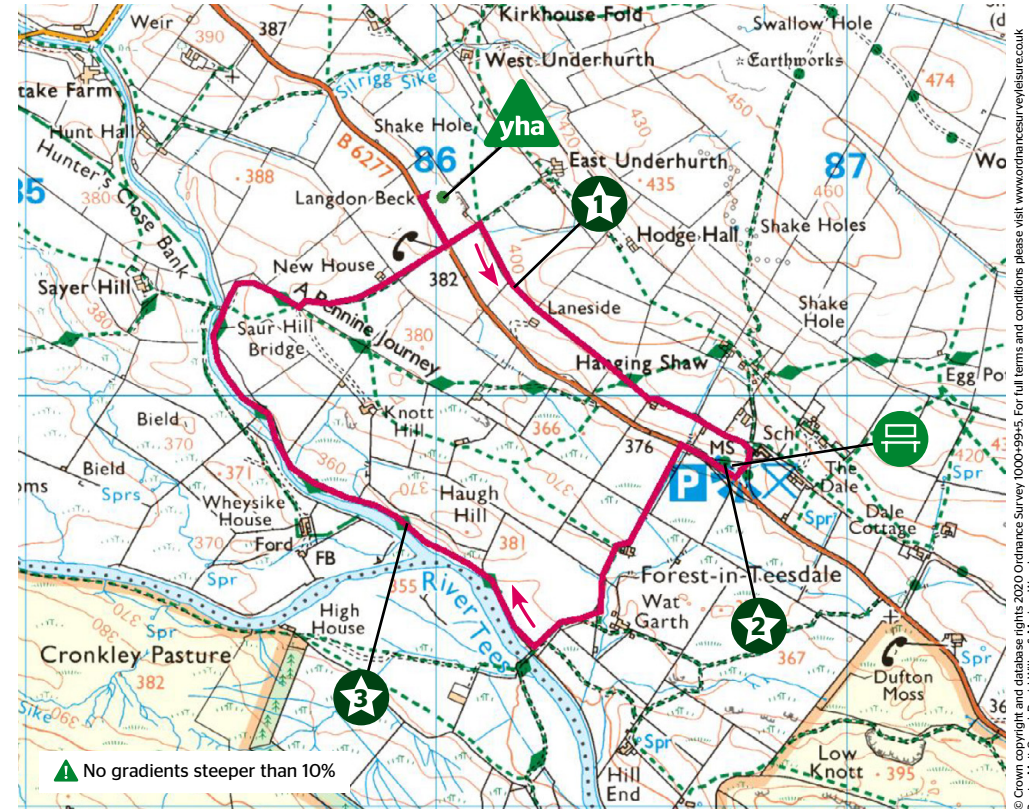
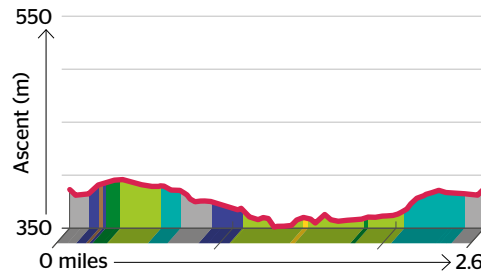
### Navigation

Following mostly obvious tracks and paths which are occasionally faint and overgrown. Signage on parts of the route.

### Terrain

Gravel tracks and narrow paths along the edges of grassy meadows. Short uneven sections along the riverside path.

- Paved      ● Unpaved (uneven)      ● Boggy
- Vegetation      ● Grass      ● Unpaved (flat)
- Rocky



### ★ Points of interest (see map)

Expansive views throughout. **1** Superb flower-filled traditional hay-meadows with varied moorland birds, **2** sculpture stone and **3** a section of the Pennine way.

### 🚻 Facilities

No facilities on the route. Water and toilets available at the YHA.

### 🪑 Seat on route (see map)

~~♿~~ **Not wheelchair accessible**

~~👉~~ **Not a touch free route**

~~🛴~~ **Not pushchair accessible**

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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](http://metoffice.gov.uk)).
- Check the tide times for coastal routes ([tidetimes.org.uk](http://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](http://relayuk.bt.com/emergencysms)).
- For further information on how to stay safe visit [adventuresmart.uk](http://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.

**For more walks or information on route grading and timings go to [yha.org.uk/walks](http://yha.org.uk/walks)**

If you encounter problems with this route contact [walking@yha.org.uk](mailto:walking@yha.org.uk)



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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.