



Walks in the Esk Valley

The Esk Valley Walk is a series of ten short walks which may, if desired, be linked together to form a unique route following the River Esk from its source, high on Westerdale Moor to the sea at Whitby - a distance of 30 miles.

The walk parallels the Esk Valley Railway for most of the route, providing an ideal means of transport when following the walk in easy stages. Whether you prefer a short stroll with the family or a more strenuous day-long hike, the Esk Valley Walk will provide for all your requirements.

A booklet can be obtained from the National Park Centre. Contact details: www.visitthemoors.co.uk/shop

Steaming into Whitby

The North Yorkshire Moors Railway now operate a through steam train service from Pickering to Whitby, or change at Grosmont to connect with the diesel service to Middlesbrough.

For further details contact: www.nymr.co.uk

Extra Esk Valley Evening Services

On Friday evenings during the school summer holidays, 24 July to 11 September in 2009, a music train with a bar selling real ale on draft will leave Whitby at 19.15 for Middlesbrough and return to Whitby at 22.08. There are two new dates also: Friday 24 April and Friday 30 October. Apart from the refreshments and live music, this is an ideal way of visiting local hosteleries at villages along the line for a meal and a relaxing drink before returning on the train. A late service is also provided by Northern Rail on Regatta Monday after the spectacular firework display, without music or ale.

Contact Details

For more information on initiatives, promotional activities along the line and how to apply for an Esk Valley Railcard for discounted travel, please contact:

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EVENTS ALONG THE LINE

May 16	Tees Regatta, Stockton
June 7	Middlesbrough Music Live
July 3-5	Northern Soul Weekend, Whitby
July 4,5	Hartlepool Dockfest '09
July 18-19	Middlesbrough Mela
July 29-Aug 2	SIRF Open Air Festival, Stockton
Aug 8	Whitby Bridge Centenary Celebrations
Aug 12	Danby Agricultural Show
Aug 15	Rosedale Show
Aug 22-24	Whitby Regatta
Aug 22-28	Whitby Folk Week
Aug 26	Egton Show
Sept 01 -14	Autumn Angling Festival, Whitby
Sept	Tour of Britain Cycle Race, Darlington
Oct 22-25	Odin's Glow, Festival of Light at Roseberry Topping, Guisborough
Oct 16-18	Bram Stoker Film Festival, Whitby
Oct 30-31	Whitby 2nd Goth Weekend
Nov 13-15	Living North Food/Craft Festival, Stockton
Dec 4-6	Robin Hood's Bay Victorian Festival
Dec 18-24	Stockton Christmas Market Fair

For a list of exhibitions at the Middlesbrough Institute of Modern Art, Centre Square, TS1 2AZ: www.visitmima.com

Many Faces of Captain Cook at the Captain Cook Birthplace Museum in Stewart Park, Marton, Middlesbrough TS7 6AS www.captcook-ne.co.uk

For further details of events:

Whitby & District: www.visitwhitby.com

Tees Valley: www.visitteesvalley.co.uk

Fares and Service Information

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www.nationalrail.co.uk

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Trains operated by Northern Rail

Customer Helpline: for comments, enquiries, complaints

Tel: 0845 00 00 125

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www.northernrail.org



Tourist Information

Whitby

Langbourne Road YO21 1YN

Tel: 01723 383636

email: tourismbureau@scarborough.gov.uk

www.scarborough.gov.uk

Danby

The Moors National Park Centre, Lodge Lane, YO21 2NB

Tel: 01439 772737

www.visitthemoors.co.uk

Sutton Bank

Thirsk YO7 2EH

Tel: 01845 597426

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For more information Tel: 01845 597000

www.visitthemoors.co.uk/moorsbus



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