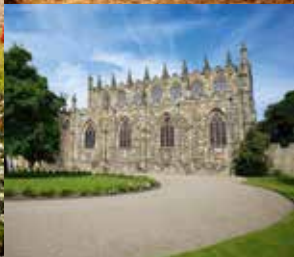


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The breathtaking beauty of the **Durham Dales** and **North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty** and **UNESCO Global Geopark** provide ample opportunity to go wild in Durham's great outdoors. The North Pennines AONB is home to more **dark sky** discovery sites than anywhere else in the UK, so bring your binoculars to admire the majesty of the night sky. Nature reigns supreme as the area is home to globally significant wildlife, landscapes and geology. Marvel at the mighty **High Force** waterfall, explore serene reservoirs, take on national walking and cycle routes, or tackle the terrain at **Hamsterley Forest** with over 30 miles of adrenaline-filled cycling tracks.

The **Durham Coast** is home to a dramatic stretch of designated Heritage coastline. Rugged yet beautiful, it has been reclaimed from its industrial past to offer magnificent beaches, clifftop walks and coastal charm. Bustling towns and villages dot the landscape, such as **Seaham** – a lively harbour town with a **Marina** and watersports centre.

The **Vale of Durham** has been shaped by the county's rich social and industrial past. Step back in time at award-winning **Beamish**, **The Living Museum of the North** or discover the county's pivotal role in the development of the railways at **Locomotion**. Admire Bishop Auckland from above at **Auckland Tower's** viewing platform and see the exciting developments in the market town come to life. Explore the emotive artworks on display in the **Mining Art Gallery** and don't miss the chance to set foot in one of the best preserved bishop's palaces in Europe as **Auckland Castle** reopens to the public in 2019.

Discover medieval splendour in the heart of the Durham Dales at **Raby Castle** and be inspired by the 19th Century architecture, art collections and international exhibitions at **The Bowes Museum**.

Get your taste buds tingling with Durham's delicious food and drink. Whether it's a hearty lunch in a country pub, a tasty tearoom treat or an evening of fine dining, look out for the **Taste Durham** mark – a sign of great food and service.

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## How to use this guide

This handy guide will help you make the most of your time in our amazing county. It is divided into easy-to-follow sections for things to see and do, places to eat, events and visitor information.

Look out for the Taste Durham mark, a sign of great food and service proudly displayed at eateries across the county.



## Inspire me

We've included some articles on Durham's heritage and great outdoors to give you inspiration on what to see and do during your visit.

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Botanic Garden, Oriental Museum, Raby Castle: Child Goes Free – one child goes free, with a full paying adult.



# Go wild in Durham

Whether it's walking, cycling, watersports, or something to get the adrenaline pumping – go wild in Durham's great outdoors.

Heading out into the **Durham Dales** you can enjoy everything from a scenic stroll, stopping off at quaint country pubs along the way, to a challenging trek. A number of long-distance routes, including the Pennine Way and Coast to Coast cycle trail, take you through breathtaking landscapes, whilst the highest A-road in England provides a cycle challenge certain to take your breath away.

For a view to remember, stroll down the tree-lined path to the mighty **High Force** and you will hear the roar of the waterfall long before you see it. Or for a more tranquil time by the water, spot wildlife from the water's edge at **Derwent Reservoir**.

The **North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty** is home to the North Pennines **Stargazing Festival**. Also designated a **UNESCO Global Geopark**, discover more about the dramatic dark skies, fascinating geology and wildlife at the award-winning **Bowlees Visitor Centre**.

A magnet for mountain bikers, **Hamsterley Forest** is home to some of the best off-road cycling tracks in the UK, amongst over 30 miles of

waymarked trails. For those who prefer a more leisurely pace, there are plenty of walking trails for all the family (and your four legged friends) to enjoy.

From countryside to coast, the county's designated stretch of heritage coastline is recognised internationally for its rare plants and wildlife. Follow the coastal footpath along the **Durham Heritage Coast** for dramatic cliff top views across the North Sea, as you are lead through a colourful mosaic of grasslands, wildflowers, flora and fauna – you might catch a glimpse of the rare Durham Argus butterfly with its distinctive orange-spotted wings. Or for a rush of adrenaline head to Seaham's **Marina Activity Centre** where you can take to the water to paddle board, surf or canoe. Seaham is a hotspot for sea glass with pretty pieces washing up on shore as an echo of the long forgotten bottle works factory which closed almost 100 years ago – perhaps you'll find your own little gem to take home. Discover Durham's great outdoors and find over 100 walking and cycling routes at: [thisisdurham.com/outdoors](https://thisisdurham.com/outdoors)



# Durham's past brought to life

Experience times gone by and get hands on with history as Durham's past is brought to life.

Durham's world-famous **UNESCO World Heritage Site** of Durham Cathedral and Durham Castle form one of the most stunning city panoramas in Europe, looking down upon the charming University City below.

The magnificent **Durham Cathedral** has been a place of worship for almost a millennium. Begun in 1093 to house the Shrine of St Cuthbert, Durham Cathedral is renowned for its magnificent Romanesque architecture. 2019 will see the reopening of the Central Tower following extensive conservation works, preserving it for future generations. Durham Cathedral also houses **Open Treasure**, a world-class exhibition space showcasing previously hidden spaces.

Originally built in the 11th Century on the order of William the Conqueror, **Durham Castle** is now a college of Durham University. Take a tour of the castle with a friendly student guide and uncover what it's really like to live inside a Norman fortress. Visit the **World Heritage Site Visitor Centre** to find out more about the fascinating stories behind these two iconic buildings.

The county is home to award-winning attractions that will let you take a step back in time. Experience the sights, smells, sounds and tastes of times gone by at **Beamish, The Living Museum of the North** in the Vale of Durham. Discover Durham's role in the development of the railways at **Locomotion**. And in the Durham Dales experience the life and work of Victorian lead mining families at **Killhope**.

Durham's treasure troves are buildings as impressive as the exhibits within. In the Durham Dales, **Raby Castle** and its beautiful 200-acre deer park, walled gardens and collections is one of England's finest medieval castles. In the market town of Barnard Castle you will find the magnificent sight of **The Bowes Museum** – a French-style chateau where you can stroll through themed galleries housing one of the North's greatest collections of fine and decorative arts. Catch the iconic performance of the Silver Swan, a mesmerising mechanical automaton dating back to the 18th Century.

**Auckland Castle** will once again welcome visitors in 2019 as the 900-year-old former residence of the Prince Bishops will reopen its doors after multi-million pound conservation works bring the castle back to its former splendour. Bishop Auckland is also home to the **Mining Art Gallery**, where emotive tales of the trials and tribulations of the county's coal-mining past are told.

And for a truly unique experience don't miss **Kynren – An Epic Tale of England**. The live action open-air extravaganza takes audiences on a spectacular journey. New pre-show attractions, the Viking Village and Blacksmiths, will immerse visitors in the sights and sounds of everyday Viking life. Discover Durham's past at: [thisisdurham.com/history](http://thisisdurham.com/history)





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Durham University, Hollingside Lane, Durham City, DH1 3TN

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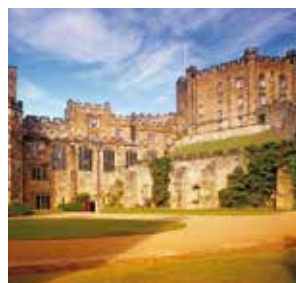
Crook Hall and Gardens, Frankland Lane, Durham, DH1 5TA

Tel: 0191 384 8028

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## Durham Castle



Built in the Norman period as an imposing fortress, Durham Castle gradually became a lavish palace for the Bishops of Durham. Since the 19th Century it has housed students of University College, part of Durham University, and is open to the public for guided tours. Limited wheelchair access, please call for details.

**Opening times:** As tour times vary, please contact Palace Green Library for details (telephone number below), or World Heritage Site Visitor Centre on 0191 334 3805.

Durham University, Palace Green, Durham City DH1 3RW

Tel: 0191 334 2932 [www.durham.ac.uk/durham.castle](http://www.durham.ac.uk/durham.castle)

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**Opening times:** Monday to Saturday 7.30am–6pm, Sunday 7.45am–5.30pm.

Cathedral Visitor Desk Tel: 0191 338 7178 **Opening times:** 9.30am–4.30pm Monday to Saturday, 12.30pm–4.30pm Sunday

**The Cathedral Office, The College, Durham City DH1 3EH**

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## County Durham Golf Trail



Durham is an incredible destination for golf, and the County Durham Golf Trail will let you experience four of its renowned courses in one memorable trip. Starting on Sunday July 7th at South Moor, a former venue of the McGregor trophy which winds its way through heather and gorse, the next stop on July 8th is the beautiful Henry Cotton designed course at Beamish Park. Then it's on to Harry Colt's masterpiece at Brancepeth Castle on July 9th, a worthy fixture in the UK's top 100 courses, and finally Barnard Castle on July 10th for an exciting 'tour championship' style order of play. Open to pairs of any combination, with daily prizes and a final order of merit trophy. If you want to try the County Durham Golf Trail but without the competition, how about taking our passport offer?

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Market Place, Durham City DH1 3NJ

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**Opening times:** Studios vary – see website. Leonard's Coffee House open seven days a week

[www.fowlersyarddurham.co.uk](http://www.fowlersyarddurham.co.uk) [www.facebook.com/FowlersYard](https://www.facebook.com/FowlersYard)

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**St Mary-le-Bow, North Bailey, Durham City DH1 3ET**  
**Tel: 0191 3485589** [www.durhammuseum.co.uk](http://www.durhammuseum.co.uk)  
**Facebook: DurhamMuseum** **Twitter: @DurhamHeritage**

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**Durham University, Elvet Hill, Durham City DH1 3TH**  
**Tel: 0191 334 5694** [www.durham.ac.uk/oriental.museum](http://www.durham.ac.uk/oriental.museum)  
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## Palace Green Library Exhibitions and Museum of Archaeology



Palace Green Library is home to the Durham Light Infantry Collection Gallery and Living on the Hills, a permanent exhibition that uses archaeological objects to explore the last 10,000 years of Durham. In addition, it hosts a series of exciting special exhibitions and is home to the Archives and Special Collections research library.

Opening times: See website for details

Palace Green, Durham City, DH1 3RN

Tel: 0191 334 2932

[www.durham.ac.uk/palace.green](http://www.durham.ac.uk/palace.green) or [/archaeology.museum](http://www.durham.ac.uk/archaeology.museum)

Facebook: [PalaceGreenLib](https://www.facebook.com/PalaceGreenLib)

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## Public Lectures and Seminars



An extensive programme of public lectures and seminars take place throughout the year including the Durham Castle Lecture Series, and Institute of Advanced Study. The aim is to share knowledge and encourage debate with experts and renowned academics speaking on a myriad of topics. Public lectures are free of charge and open to all.

Opening times: Visit the website for full lecture listings and further details.

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[www.durham.ac.uk/whatson/lectures\\_seminars](http://www.durham.ac.uk/whatson/lectures_seminars)



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[www.radissonblu.com/en/hotel-durham](http://www.radissonblu.com/en/hotel-durham)

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Crook Hall and Gardens, Frankland lane, Durham,

DH1 5TA. Tel: 0191 384 8028

[www.crookhallgardens.co.uk](http://www.crookhallgardens.co.uk)

Facebook: [CrookHallGardens](https://www.facebook.com/CrookHallGardens)



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There's nothing quite like The Rabbit Hole. Durham's newest 20s-inspired Shanghai Jazz Supper Club. This hidey-hole hides its game well, hidden away behind an innocuous ramshackle antique shop, you'll find romantically lit tables where you can settle in for an evening of fine dining and wine, with regular live jazz performances.

17 Hallgarth Street, Durham City DH1 3AT

Tel: 0191 386 5556

[www.therabbitholedurham.co.uk](http://www.therabbitholedurham.co.uk)

## Voyager Day Excursions



Discover the local area with Voyager Day Excursions operated by Durham City Coaches Ltd. The choice of day trips departing from Durham are varied and gives you the opportunity to explore the nearby area without the worry of driving or following directions. Tours to Beamish, Kynren, Lindisfarne and Seahouses are included in the programme. Sit back and relax.

**Durham City Coaches Ltd, Brandon Lane, Brandon, Co Durham, DH7 8PG**

Tel: 0191 378 1989 (Booking Line)

[www.durhamcitycoaches.co.uk](http://www.durhamcitycoaches.co.uk)

Facebook: [Durhamcitycoaches](https://www.facebook.com/Durhamcitycoaches)

## E-Newsletter

Sign up to receive the Durham e-newsletter for ideas on things to see and do, events and competitions.

**[thisisdurham.com/newsletter](http://thisisdurham.com/newsletter)**

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## Durham City really does have something for everyone to enjoy.

Young, old, as a family or just you enjoying some quiet time, there's always something happening here in Durham. On the third weekend of every month we celebrate the InDurham Weekend. A jam-packed couple of days spanning the whole of the City, with events like Dine InDurham, Live InDurham and Fashion InDurham to name but a few.

Come and explore the many different bars, restaurants, and other exotic eateries calling Durham their home with Dine InDurham. A tasty treat with something to suit all palates and price points, many participating businesses offer huge discounts and other special offers during this event.

Or why not come along and be entertained at Live InDurham? With live music performances from some of the region's biggest up-and-coming stars, this free event is hosted at different venues across the City. Either stay in one place and enjoy the line-up, or follow your favourite act around the City as they perform in different locations during the night.

Also, many of our Live InDurham performers support our friends at Durham

Markets during the monthly Full Moon Street Market. It's always a great night with a fantastic atmosphere too.

If fashion is more your thing than food, then check out Fashion InDurham. Each month during the InDurham Weekend, many different retailers hold exclusive in-store offers for you to enjoy.

Plus, at different times throughout the year, we welcome expert stylist, Belinda Alexander, and her team to the City. Offering free personalised style consultations while showcasing some of the hottest fashion finds from retailers across the City, Fashion InDurham helps to sort your wardrobe woes while making you look and feel fabulous in no time at all.

One totally unique thing about exploring Durham is its independent retailers. Sitting side-by-side with some big-name brands on our highstreet, it's the independent businesses of the City that really do make Durham different. While many of these businesses take part in Dine, Live and Fashion InDurham, three times a year, we specifically celebrate the independent businesses who choose to call the City their home with Independents InDurham. It's all about encouraging people to shop locally and support traders within the City. In July of each year, one way we do this is by partnering with Durham Markets to bring you 'Fiver Fest', whereby many independent businesses offer their goods and services for just £5 or multiples thereof.

And speaking of fivers, did you know for an annual fee of just £5, you can get your hands on an InDurham Loyalty Card? It gives you exclusive accesses to deals, discounts and other special offers from participating businesses in the City 365 days a year. That's on top of everything that's already on offer during the InDurham Weekends. An absolute bargain and a must-have for anyone spending time in the City.



**For more information about what's on in Durham City and how to subscribe to the InDurham Loyalty Card, visit:**  
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## Amaani at The Pumphouse



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**Opening hours:** 12pm–2pm (except Friday), 6pm–11pm  
**Amaani, The Pumphouse, Farm Road, Durham, DH1 3PJ**  
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**contact@amaanidurham.co.uk**  
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## Bill's Durham



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**Opening hours:** Monday to Saturday 8am–11pm.  
 Sunday 9am–10:30pm.  
**39 Saddler Street, Durham, DH1 3NU**  
**Tel:** 0191 386 7672 [www.bills-webside.co.uk](http://www.bills-webside.co.uk)  
**Instagram:** @billsrestaurant

## Broom House Coffee Shop & Farm Shop



Great coffee, delicious cakes, brilliant breakfasts and light lunches all freshly made here on the farm. A log-burning stove warms winter days; in summer enjoy a seat outside with farmland views.

The Farm Shop's highlight is our Aberdeen Angus beef, people travel miles for our scrummy sausages. Browse a wide range of related produce and gifts. Large play field, Forest Adventure and farm animals to visit.

**Opening times:** Daily except Christmas Bank Holidays.

**Witton Gilbert, Durham, DH7 6TR**  
**Tel:** 0191 371 8382 (Coffee Shop) 0191 371 8839 (Farm Shop)  
[www.broomhousedurham.co.uk](http://www.broomhousedurham.co.uk)  
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**Instagram:** BROOMHOUSEFARM

## Collage



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**Radisson Blu Hotel Durham (ground floor),**  
**Frankland Lane, DH1 5TA Durham**  
**Tel:** 0191 372 7200  
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**Email:** Collage.Durham@radissonblu.com  
**Facebook:** Radisson Blu **Twitter:** @RadissonBlu

## Ebony Champagne & Cocktail Bar



Regarded as Durham's most prestigious Champagne & Cocktail Bar serving daytime food and drinks, and night time drinks only, Ebony is located on the Walkergate complex. Offering an extensive food and drinks menu to suit all tastes in a relaxed atmosphere. Weekend nights regularly come alive with local acoustic musicians and retro DJs.

**8 Walkergate, Durham, DH1 1SQ**  
**Tel:** 0191 375 7121 [www.ebonychampagnebar.co.uk](http://www.ebonychampagnebar.co.uk)  
**Facebook:** Ebony-Champagne-And-Cocktail-Bar  
**Twitter:** ChampagneEbony

## Finbarr's Restaurant



Finbarr's aim is to provide a quality restaurant in a rustic setting. A superbly managed kitchen provides classic to innovative dishes, with locally sourced ingredients. In addition, a high quality wine list ensures a dining experience to surpass expectations. A well-equipped meeting room and private dining rooms are also available.

**Aykley Heads House, Aykley Heads, Durham DH1 5TS**  
**Tel:** 0191 307 7033  
[www.finbarrsrestaurant.co.uk](http://www.finbarrsrestaurant.co.uk)  
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## Shaheen's Indian



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**48 North Bailey, Durham City, DH1 3ET**  
**Tel:** 0191 386 0960  
[www.shaheensdurham.co.uk](http://www.shaheensdurham.co.uk)  
**Facebook:** Shaheens-Indian

## Tango



Situated in one of Durham's most iconic buildings right by Old Elvet Bridge, Tango serves modern takes on traditional comfort food. A lip-smackingly good menu comprising nachos, dirty fries, kebab wraps, ciabatta rolls, loaded hotdogs and celebrated burgers. If you're a burger lover, Tango is sure to be your new favourite haunt!

**Opening hours:** Daily 11am–11pm

**96 Elvet Bridge, Durham, DH1 3AG. Tel: 0844 625 6231**

**[www.tangodurham.co.uk](http://www.tangodurham.co.uk), [info@tangodurham.co.uk](mailto:info@tangodurham.co.uk)**

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## Thai River



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**32 River Walk, Durham City DH1 3SL**

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**Unit 1–2 Walkergate, Durham City DH1 1WA Tel: 0191 370 8510**

**[www.jdwetherspoon.co.uk/homepubs/The-Bishops-Mill](http://www.jdwetherspoon.co.uk/homepubs/The-Bishops-Mill)**

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## The Cellar Door

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There are multiple rooms and floors to provide options for private dining as well as larger group bookings. Three terraces expand down to the river with plenty of room for outdoor dining.

The food is designed to match the relaxed dining environment, with the main focus on the use of seasonal and local produce, with menus changing monthly to reflect the freshest produce available. A great value two and three course set lunchtime menu is available, along with an à la carte menu from 5pm.

Perfect for special occasions as well as regular relaxed dining.

Serving food from 12 noon – 9.30pm, Monday–Sunday

**41 Saddler Street, Durham City, DH1 3NU**

**Tel: 0191 383 1856 [www.thecellardoorurham.co.uk](http://www.thecellardoorurham.co.uk)**

**Facebook: The Cellar Door**

## The Garden Gate Café at Crook Hall



Open seven days a week, the Garden Gate Café is situated at the entrance to our beautiful gardens. The terrace is overlooked by the Maze, creating a peaceful oasis to relax with a coffee.

We serve breakfast, light lunches and sweet treats using locally sourced and home grown seasonal produce.

**Crook Hall and Gardens, Frankland Lane, Durham, DH1 5TA. Tel: 0191 384 8028**  
[www.crookhallgardens.co.uk](http://www.crookhallgardens.co.uk)  
 Facebook: CrookHallGardens

## The Garden House Inn



A cosy rustic 18th Century pub just a few minutes' walk from Durham City, offering local real ales, classic wines and spirits complemented by a heart-warming seasonal menu. With two open fires, great music and ambience, The Garden House Inn also has six comfortable en suite bedrooms.

**Framwellgate, Peth, Durham DH1 4NQ**  
 Tel: 0191 386 3395 [www.gardenhouseinn.com](http://www.gardenhouseinn.com)  
 Facebook: thegardenhouseinn  
 Twitter: @gardenhouseinn

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Contact [events@durhamcathedral.co.uk](mailto:events@durhamcathedral.co.uk) to enquire about hiring the restaurant. Breakfast served 10am – 11.30am; Lunch served 12 noon – 2pm; Afternoon tea served 2.30pm – 4pm.

**Opening times:** Daily 10am–4.30pm except Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Year's Day and Good Friday.

**Durham Cathedral, Durham City DH1 3EH. Tel: 0191 386 3721.**  
[www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/restaurant-cafe](http://www.durhamcathedral.co.uk/restaurant-cafe) Twitter: @DCathRestaurant

## Whisky River Cocktail Bar & Café



Cosy cocktail bar located on Durham's riverside. Whisky River Cocktail Bar & Café offer innovative, creative cocktails and a wide range of whiskeys and spirits from around the world served by knowledgeable and attentive staff. Live music every Friday night adds to a great atmosphere in which to enjoy a sophisticated tipple.

**Elvet Riverside, Durham, DH1 1UJ**  
 Tel: 0191 384 9511  
 Facebook: WhiskyRiverBar  
 Twitter: @Whisky\_River

## Zen



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**Court Lane, Durham City DH1 3JS**  
 Tel: 0191 384 9588  
[www.zendurham.co.uk](http://www.zendurham.co.uk)

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Explore the 350-acre site and meet the friendly costumed folk who will share their stories with you. Ride on a steam train, catch a lesson in the village school, go underground at a real coal mine, find out about the shocking murder of renowned Georgian quilter Joseph Hedley and sample tasty, traditional treats in Herron's Bakery and the sweet shop. History comes to life at Beamish Museum.

**Opening times:** Open all year. April to October 10am–5pm, November to March 10am–4pm. For full opening times and admission charges visit [www.beamish.org.uk](http://www.beamish.org.uk).

North East England Large Visitor Attraction of the Year 2014, 2015, 2016 and 2017.

Beamish, County Durham, DH9 9RG

Tel: 0191 370 4000 [www.beamish.org.uk](http://www.beamish.org.uk)

Facebook: BeamishLivingMuseum

Twitter: @Beamish\_Museum Instagram: beamish\_museum

## Beamish Wild



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Two hours of treetop adventure set in the grounds of the stunning Beamish Hall Hotel. Zip-wires, rope bridges and the hanging vines are guaranteed to get your adrenaline pumping. Finish it all off with the awesome 45ft Powerfan free-fall experience. Perfect for kids birthdays and family days out!

If heights are not for you, then why not try our public archery sessions.

New free attraction for 2019, our Alice in Wonderland walk is a magical interactive walk throughout the enchanted woodland at Beamish Wild.

**Opening times:** Open all year. Advance booking required.

Beamish Hall Hotel, County Durham DH9 9YB

Tel: 01207 233 733 [www.beamishwild.co.uk](http://www.beamishwild.co.uk)

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**Bonner's Lodge, Bee Cottage Farm, Waskerley, Consett, DH8 9HW Tel: 07946 536934**

Email: [info@bonnerslodge.co.uk](mailto:info@bonnerslodge.co.uk)

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[www.brackenhillfarmcottage.com](http://www.brackenhillfarmcottage.com)

Facebook: BrackenHillFarmCottageDurham





## Binchester Roman Fort

A Durham County Council venue



See the impressive remains of the Commandant's house and the neighbouring bath-house (now protected within a new cover building) containing one of the best preserved examples of a hypocaust (underfloor heating system) in the whole of Britain. See the stupendously well-preserved remains of part of the regimental bath building uncovered by recent excavations.

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**Opening times:** Daily, 1st April to 31st October 10.00am-4.30pm

1 mile north of Bishop Auckland beside the River Wear on the road from the market place/town hall to Newfield, County Durham DL14 8DJ  
Tel: 01388 663089 / 03000 267013  
[www.durham.gov.uk/binchester](http://www.durham.gov.uk/binchester)

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**Opening times:** Weekends and school holidays from February half-term to October half-term 2019.

**Stoneygate Lane, Houghton-le-Spring DH5 8JG**  
Tel: 0191 584 1873 [www.downatthefarm.co.uk](http://www.downatthefarm.co.uk)

## Durham Mining Museum



The display areas of the museum are located within Spennymoor Town Hall and consists of rooms containing mining equipment, photographs and models as well as a life-size pit pony in a stable and another pony working in a tunnel.

**Opening times:** Monday to Thursday 12 noon to 4pm, Friday & Saturday 10am to 2pm. Closed Sundays, Bank Holidays & Council holidays

**Spennymoor Town Hall, High Street, Spennymoor, Co. Durham, DL16 6DG** Tel: 07577 012 882  
[www.dmm.org.uk](http://www.dmm.org.uk) [durhamminingmuseum@gmail.com](mailto:durhamminingmuseum@gmail.com)  
Facebook: Durham Mining Museum

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**Bee-Eater Cottage, Farnless Farm, Bishop Middleham, Co. Durham, DL17 9EB**

Tel: 0191 377 1428 [www.farnlessfarmpark.co.uk](http://www.farnlessfarmpark.co.uk)

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## A photograph showing a young girl in a pink shirt riding a small donkey. An adult woman in a blue shirt is walking next to the donkey, holding its lead. They are in a green field with hills in the background.

North East Tourism Awards Small Visitor Attraction Silver 2017: Best Tourism Experience Silver 2015

## Infinite Durham Multi Activity Park



Home to Infinite Air Trampoline Park, Soccarena, Infinite Tots, Inflatable Air, Lickety Split Durham and Extra Time Cafe Bar. With fun, fitness and football incorporated into one place, the activity park is a great day out for the whole family and the ultimate party or event venue for 8–350 people.

**Infinite Air (6+) –** Over 16,000 sq ft of Trampolines (that's over 80 of them!), with Basketball, Dodgeball, Foam Pits, and Battle Beams. As well as a Sprung Floor, ideal for Cheerleaders, Gymnastics, Parkour and Dancing.

**Infinite Tots (6mths – 6yrs) –** Built on cushioned pads and filled with a wide range of obstacles, slides, mini trampolines and sensory equipment providing endless fun and exploration for tots in a safe environment.

**Soccarena –** Indoor and Outdoor Football Facilities. Four indoor and eight outdoor pitches available, along with 3,000 capacity stadium available to hire.

The on-site Food Court and Ice Cream Parlour offer delicious Rollover hot dogs and burgers as well as a selection of award-winning Ice Cream, Waffles, Sundaes and Milkshakes.

**Opening Times:** Check Websites for Opening Times and Availability.

**New Ferens Park, Belmont Industrial Estate, Durham, DH1 1GG**  
[www.soccarena.co.uk](http://www.soccarena.co.uk) Tel: 0191 370 6640

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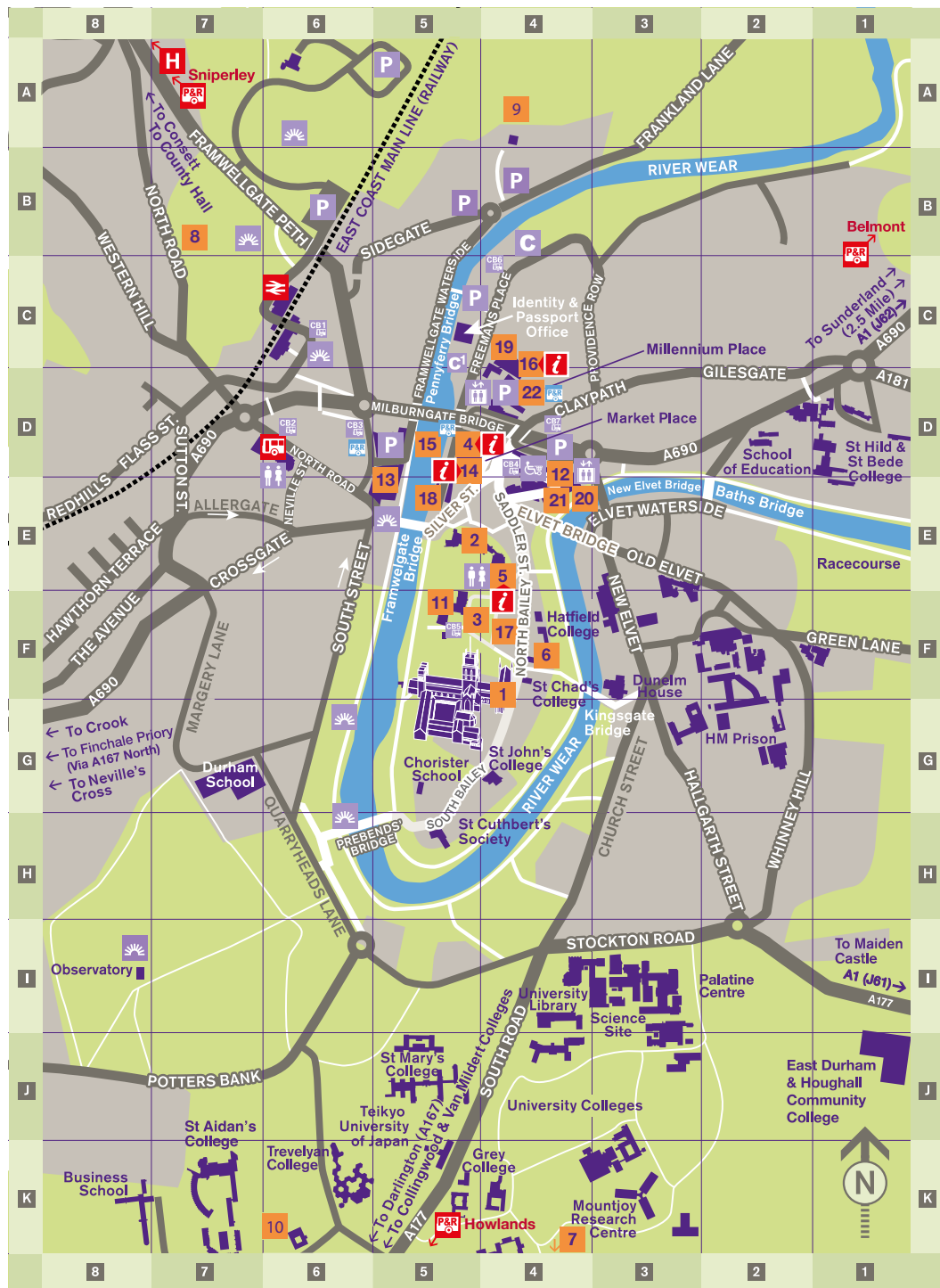
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- Weardale Way
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- Durham City
- Durham Coast

### Approximate Distances in Miles

Durham City					
25	Barnard Castle				
12	15	Bishop Auckland			
8	32	19	Chester-le-Street		
15	40	27	12	Seaham	
21	18	17	30	36	Stanhope

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- C6** Durham Rail Station
- D6** North Road Bus Station
- P** Car Park
- C** Coach Park
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- C2** Shopmobility
- T** Toilets
- L** Lifts
- V** View Point

#### Park & Ride Car Parks

- A7** Sniperley
- B1** Belmont
- K5** Howlands
- Park & Ride Bus Stops**
- Cathedral Bus Stops**
- Rail Station**
- Bus Station**
- Milburngate**
- Market Place**
- Cathedral & Castle**
- Car & Coach Park**
- Claypath**

#### Heritage

- F4** Durham Cathedral
- E5** Durham Castle
- F5** Palace Green
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## Lumley Castle Hotel

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**Lumley Castle Hotel, Chester-le-Street,**  
County Durham, DH3 4NX Tel: 0191 389 1111  
[www.lumleycastle.com](http://www.lumleycastle.com) Twitter: @LumleyCastleLtd  
Facebook: Lumley Castle – No Ordinary Hotel

## Poplar Tree Garden Centre & Brambles Coffee Shop



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Poplar Tree Garden Centre & Brambles Coffee Shop is located on the outskirts of the historic City of Durham and just a stone's throw away from the banks of the River Wear.

We have a love and passion for plants and flowers and as well as our knowledgeable expertise in gardening and floristry, we also offer scrumptious delights within our award winning Brambles Coffee Shop. Enjoy a selection of hot and cold meals, delightful drinks and sample our award winning Afternoon Teas within relaxing surroundings of the open countryside.

**Poplar Tree Garden Centre & Brambles Coffee Shop**  
Hall Lane, Shincliffe, Durham, DH1 2NG  
Tel: 0191 384 7553 [www.poplartreegardencentre.co.uk](http://www.poplartreegardencentre.co.uk)

## Riding Farm



We provide bed & breakfast and self-catering cottages. Delightfully situated on a working family farm, surrounded by quiet and peaceful countryside, within easy reach of Durham and Beamish Museum. Our accommodation has a relaxed spacious country style, combined with modern luxuries, all graded 5 Star or 4 Star Gold.



**Riding Lane, Beamish, NE11 0JA Tel: 0191 370 1868**  
Email: [stay@ridingfarmbedandbreakfast.co.uk](mailto:stay@ridingfarmbedandbreakfast.co.uk)  
[www.ridingfarmcottages.co.uk](http://www.ridingfarmcottages.co.uk)  
Facebook: [ridingfarmcottages](https://www.facebook.com/ridingfarmcottages) Twitter: @ridingbb  
Instagram: @ridingfarmcottages

## Old Hall Cottages



A choice of quality Self Catering or Guest Accommodation in Byers Green close to Durham and Bishop Auckland in The North Pennines, Old Hall Cottages are secluded stone conversions on an ancient track leading to the River Wear, with no through traffic and walks from the door. Hall Farm Cottage is a romantic hideaway for two, with hot tub and wood burner. No.1 Old Hall Cottage sleeps 4 with private hot tub and wood burner. No.2 Old Hall Cottage with three bedrooms sleeps five and welcomes three dogs. Thomas Wright House, set back near the Village Green, has eight individually designed ensuite rooms including Aquila with private patio, outdoor hot tub and Phoenix with double spa bath, both offering 'in room' dining too.

**The Old Hall Cottages, Byers Green, County Durham, DL16 7PS**  
Tel: 01388 664 716  
[enquiries@thomaswrighthouse.com](mailto:enquiries@thomaswrighthouse.com)  
[www.byersgreen.com](http://www.byersgreen.com)  
Facebook: ThomasWrightHouse



## Rockliffe Hall Hotel, Golf & Spa



Indulge in luxury, wine and dine or tee off in style at the North of England's highest-rated hotel. Rockliffe Hall promises quintessential English charm combined with elegant surroundings. The latest addition to the luxury resort includes an Alice in Wonderland themed parkland complete with play area, tennis courts, walled kitchen garden, curious cabins and a stunning Glasshouse for special events with the wow factor. Whether you choose to spa, dine, golf, play or just relax, you'll experience a five-star sanctuary at the heart of north east England.

**Opening times:** Always open 24/7

**Hurworth on Tees, Darlington, County Durham, DL2 2DU**

**Tel:** 01325 729 999 **www.rockliffehall.com**

**Facebook:** Rockliffe Hall **Twitter:** @RockliffeHall

## Strawberry Hill Farm Camping & Caravan Park and Tea Room



Adam and Louise welcome you to their family run Camping and Caravan Park. A quiet and open countryside park with magnificent views. Spacious pitches for Touring Caravans, Motorhomes and Tents. Caravan Holiday Homes are also available for hire. Try some delicious homemade treats in our on-site Tea Room.



**Strawberry Hill Farm Camping & Caravan Park, Running Waters, Old Cassop, Durham, County Durham, DH6 4QA. [www.strawberry-hill-farm.co.uk](http://www.strawberry-hill-farm.co.uk)**  
**Email:** [info@strawberryhillcaravanpark.co.uk](mailto:info@strawberryhillcaravanpark.co.uk)  
**Tel:** 0191 372 3457

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**Opening times:** Daily. Trains every Sunday and Bank Holiday throughout the year from 10.30am, plus Saturday and Thursday in school summer holidays.

**Marley Hill Engine Shed, Old Marley Hill, Gateshead NE16 5ET**

**Tel:** 07508 092 365 **www.tanfield-railway.co.uk**

**info@tanfield-railway.co.uk Facebook:** @tanfieldrailway

**Twitter:** @TanfieldRailway **Instagram:** @tanfield\_railway

# ART IN SPENNYMOOR

SPENNYMOOR TOWN COUNCIL  
AND ITS PARTNERS ARE  
LAUNCHING FROM APRIL  
2019 SEVERAL KEY NEW AND  
EXCITING ART INITIATIVES.

These include the launch of the permanent 'Norman Cornish Trail' around Spennymoor which includes key locations and images for visitors to enjoy while reading the free trail booklet and listening to the APP.

The permanent refurbishment of the John Kitson Archway at the Town Hall includes an amazing display of Norman Cornish work infused onto glass with back lighting.

Also available within the Town Hall's Bob Abley Art Gallery is the 'Durham Miners' Gala Exhibition' by Cornish, which will be complimented by a range of other top regional artist's work depicting the social history of our region with all the art available for sale. The exhibition also forms part of the

Norman Cornish Centenary Art Exhibitions.

The Town Hall's Bob Abley Art Gallery exhibits a significant collection of work from the Cornish permanent collection and is the only place in the North East which offers original Norman Cornish artwork for sale, as well as a wide range of prints and books. Within the gallery, you can also see the artist's studio, faithfully reconstructed from its original location in the family home on Whitworth Terrace. As well as stunning art from some of the region's top artists with all their work available for sale.

The Art Gallery is FREE to enter and is open between the hours of 12.00 – 4.00pm Monday – Friday and 10.00am – 2.00pm each Saturday



Parking is **FREE** and is available immediately behind the Town Hall.

Spennymoor Town Hall Art Gallery, High Street, Spennymoor, DL16 6DG  
Tel: 01388 815276 [www.spennymoor-tc.gov.uk](http://www.spennymoor-tc.gov.uk)



## The Gables Pod Camping



The Gables Pod Camping is a lovely petite peaceful site, described as a secret garden retreat. Pods have en suite facilities and there's a shared hot tub. We also cater for festival style tipi weddings. Situated just outside the little County Durham village of Escomb, it's fantastic place to settle for rural rest and relaxation.

**The Gables, Three Lane Ends, Escomb, Bishop Auckland, DL14 7SR Tel: 0790 170 8889**  
[www.thegables-podcamping.co.uk](http://www.thegables-podcamping.co.uk)  
 Email [sue@thegables-podcamping.co.uk](mailto:sue@thegables-podcamping.co.uk)  
 Facebook: The Gables Pod Camping

## The Honest Lawyer Hotel



The Honest Lawyer Hotel is a 3 star Hotel with a 5 star service. Located on the A167 just 3 miles from Durham City, with great transport links on our doorstep. We have 51 bedrooms, 32 doubles, 10 twins, 3 family/disabled rooms, 5 four poster rooms and 1 bridal suite, some with courtyard and countryside views. All rooms have their own en-suite bathrooms along with tea and coffee making facilities.

Our AA Rosette Restaurant serves a wide range of dishes from midday until 9.30pm Monday to Saturday, and popular Sunday lunch from midday until 8pm.

**The Honest Lawyer Hotel, Durham, DH1 3SP**  
 Tel: 0191 378 3780 [www.honestlawyerhotel.co.uk](http://www.honestlawyerhotel.co.uk)  
 Facebook: [honestlawyerdurham](https://www.facebook.com/honestlawyerdurham)



Look out for the Taste Durham logo, a sign of great food and service. Get your taste buds tingling.

**[tastedurham.co.uk](http://tastedurham.co.uk)**

## The Saxon Inn Hotel



The Saxon Inn Hotel is a traditional family run hotel offering good food and drink, as well as well-appointed accommodation. Escomb is a rural and idyllic village situated on the River Wear surrounded by picturesque countryside. We offer boutique accommodation with en-suite facilities at affordable prices, discounts available based on lengths of stay. Our accommodation offers family room as well as adjoining rooms for flexibility. A warm and friendly welcome awaits you.

**Opening times:** Monday to Friday 7:30am–11pm, Saturday and Sunday 8am–11pm

**The Saxon Inn Hotel, 1 Saxon Green, Escomb, Bishop Auckland, DL14 7SY**  
 0138 866 2256 [thesaxoninn@gmail.com](mailto:thesaxoninn@gmail.com)  
[www.saxon-inn.com](http://www.saxon-inn.com) Facebook: The Saxon Inn, Escomb

## Ushaw




Ushaw is just 10 minutes from Durham City, and is situated in stunning parkland. Impressive buildings – complete with stunning Georgian and Victorian Gothic architecture, Ushaw really is a true hidden gem. History, Heritage and Hospitality for the whole family with guided tours, a wide range of exhibitions and an exciting events programme. Corporate events and wedding receptions catered for.

**Opening times:** Throughout the year – check website for up-to-date information.

**Ushaw, Durham DH7 7DW**  
 Tel: 0191 373 8500 [www.ushaw.org](http://www.ushaw.org)  
 Facebook: Ushaw College  
 Twitter: @ushawcollege



## Whitworth Hall Hotel and Deer Park

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20 mins from Durham City. Free entry to 73 acres of gardens, woodland dene and parkland with ornamental lake and free roaming deer. Feed the deer – food available from reception. The restaurant offers good food including afternoon tea. Brasserie with outside seating, bar, conservatory, restaurant, bedrooms. No dogs in deer park.



Some areas unsuitable for wheelchairs

**Whitworth Hall Hotel and Deer Park, near Spennymoor, DL16 7QX**  
Tel: 0138 881 1772 [www.whitworthhall.co.uk](http://www.whitworthhall.co.uk)  
Facebook: Whitworth Hall Hotel  
Twitter: @whitworthhall

## Willow Holiday Cottage



A traditional cottage situated in the picturesque village of Hunwick with Bishop Auckland and Durham close by. Sleeping 4 people, this cosy cottage has a wood burning stove and pretty cottage gardens to the front and rear. Ideally located for walking, cycling, sightseeing or a relaxing break.



**10 South View, Hunwick, Crook, Co. Durham DL15 0JW** Tel: 0778 828 9705  
[www.willowholidaycottage.co.uk](http://www.willowholidaycottage.co.uk)  
Email: [willowholidaycottage@gmail.com](mailto:willowholidaycottage@gmail.com)  
Facebook: Willow Holiday Cottage – Hunwick

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## Kaffeehaus Amadeus




A coffee lover's heaven. Authentic Viennese coffee house offering speciality coffees with different brewing methods, home-made Austrian/German-style cakes, bread, desserts, Viennese breakfast, light lunches and tempting chocolate and truffles. We also offer coffee workshops and music events.

**Opening Times:** Tuesday to Sunday 10am – 5pm  
Closed Monday (open Bank Holiday Monday)

**1 Percy Crescent, Lanchester, DH7 0EU**  
Tel: 01207 520 056 [www.kaffeehaus-amadeus.co.uk](http://www.kaffeehaus-amadeus.co.uk)  
Facebook: KaffeehausAmadeusLanchester  
Twitter: @KaffeeAmadeus

## Knitsley Farm Shop & Granary Café



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An award winning farm shop and restaurant based on a working farm near Consett, Co. Durham, Knitsley boasts many home produced products including freshly baked breads and cakes, homemade pies and pastries, freshly butchered own and local meat products, along with a tasty range of delicatessen items and local/regional cheeses. Freshly made home cooked food served in the restaurant ranging from breakfast, through to sandwiches, grill menu and fantastic Sunday lunches.

**East Knitsley Grange Farm, Knitsley, Consett, DH8 9EW**  
Tel: 01207 592059 Email: [info@knitsleyfarmshop.co.uk](mailto:info@knitsleyfarmshop.co.uk)  
[www.knitsleyfarmshop.co.uk](http://www.knitsleyfarmshop.co.uk)  
Facebook: Knitsley-Farm-Shop Twitter: @KnitsleyFarm

## Sweetharts

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Sweetharts bakery and coffee shop. Enjoy bread, cakes, scones and savouries with a latte, cappuccino, flat white and more in our coffee shop/bakery.  
Open Monday–Saturday. Monday–Thursday 9am–3.30pm, Friday–Saturday 9am–5pm



**Sweetharts, 101 Durham Road, Blackhill, Consett, County Durham DH8 8RR**  
Tel: 01207 501 100  
[www.sweetharts.co.uk](http://www.sweetharts.co.uk)

## Le Raaj



Le Raaj offers a contemporary yet authentic Indian dining experience within a luxurious and refined setting. The finest exotic spices and highest quality locally sourced produce are combined to create intense dishes second to none. Delicious cuisine, exclusive wines and a sensational atmosphere make Le Raaj an unforgettable experience.

**Opening times:** Daily. See website for details.

**Front Street, Chester Moor, Durham DH2 3RJ**  
**Tel: 0191 389 0561** [www.leraaj.co.uk](http://www.leraaj.co.uk)

**A689/A177 roundabout, Stockton-on-Tees, County Durham TS21 2JX**  
**Tel: 01740 623 030** [www.leraaj.co.uk](http://www.leraaj.co.uk)  
**Facebook: LeRaajIndian**  
**Twitter: @LeRaajIndian**

## Loca Bar & Kitchen



The hottest Latin American restaurant in the North East!  
 The finest South American eatery, bringing you a variety of delicious dishes from around the globe! Loca, Chester-le-Street, is the second of a growing successful chain, which originated from the North East coast last year.  
 With live entertainment every Friday and Saturday night, innovative cocktails throughout the week and funky food promotions, like our sugar skulls – Loca is a unique eatery like no other. Assuring a first-class dining experience, whether through our private dining area or regular events, like our Cocktail Masterclass – Loca really is the hottest restaurant in town!

**Riverside Stadium, Chester-le-Street, DH3 3SH**  
**[www.loca-latin.com](http://www.loca-latin.com)** Email: [info@loca-latin.com](mailto:info@loca-latin.com)  
**Facebook & Twitter: @localatinne** Instagram: [loca\\_latin\\_ne](https://www.instagram.com/loca_latin_ne)



## Pazzo



The restaurant offers some of the tastiest traditional Italian & American cuisine in the region, in the contemporary yet comfortable surroundings. The staff at Pazzo take great pride in the level of customer service provided to every customer who walks through the door.

Open from 7am serving breakfast to both guests and the public, Pazzo offers a full menu as well as daily lunch specials and promotional offers. Pazzo offers a takeaway menu for collection or delivery with pizzas, pasta, Sunday lunches and alcoholic drinks all available.

In addition to the restaurant there is a cosy coffee lounge which serves both a traditional and an innovative Italian afternoon tea. Pazzo regularly hosts community events and themed parties to cater for the many families in the area.

Joicey Square, Stanley, County Durham, DH9 0PG

Tel: 01207 263 791 [www.pazzoitalian.co.uk](http://www.pazzoitalian.co.uk)

Email: [info@pazzoitalian.co.uk](mailto:info@pazzoitalian.co.uk)

Facebook: Pazzo Italian Restaurant

## The Green Tree 1727

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Beautiful country pub and restaurant with a remarkable history, The Green Tree 1727 is only 4 miles from Durham City. The 290 year old family run Dalestone Inn is nestled in the picturesque village of Tudhoe.

Wide and varied food menu, using quality fresh and locally sourced ingredients. Daily specials, Sunday lunch and fixed price menus available. Enjoy our selection of real ales, wines and spirits, including over 60 gins, plus a lovely beer garden. Perfect for walkers, dog lovers and those looking for a slice of rural history.

**Opening times:** Daily 12noon–11.30pm.

41 Tudhoe Village, County Durham DL16 6LE

Tel: 01388 815 679 [www.thegreentree.co.uk](http://www.thegreentree.co.uk) Facebook: TheGreenTree

## The Italian Farmhouse

Sustainable Restaurant Association –  
2 Star Sustainability Champion



At the Italian Farmhouse we take the flavours of Italy and combine them with the best produce the North East has to offer, to produce dishes that deliver a true taste of Italy, but in the heart of County Durham.

**Opening times:** Monday to Saturday 12noon–10pm  
(closed 2.30pm–5pm), Sunday 12noon–7.30pm.

South Street, West Rainton,

Houghton-le-Spring DH4 6PA

Tel: 0191 584 1022 [www.theitalianfarmhouse.co.uk](http://www.theitalianfarmhouse.co.uk)

Facebook: TheItalianFarmhouse

Twitter: @ItalianFarm



## The Lambton Worm

Sustainable Restaurant Association –  
2 Star Sustainability Champion



This Sonnet 43 Brew Pub is an ideal setting to enjoy a great beer with the best of British cuisine. We believe there's no better combination, which is why you'll find a suggested Sonnet 43 pairing to each of the dishes throughout our menu, for a sensational taste experience.

**Opening times:** Monday to Thursday 11.30am–11pm,  
Friday and Saturday 11.30am–12midnight, Sunday  
12noon–10.30pm.

North Road, Chester-le-Street DH3 4AJ

Tel: 0191 387 1162 [www.thelambton.com](http://www.thelambton.com)

Facebook: TheLambtonWorm Twitter: @TheLambton





## The New Plough



A Sonnet 43 Brew Pub with craft ales and tempting soul food, together in a contemporary-meets-country style setting. Plus outdoors tipis for a magical backdrop for weddings and special events.

**Opening times:** Monday to Thursday 12noon– 11pm, Friday and Saturday 12noon–12midnight, Sunday 12noon–10.30pm.

**Mountsett, Burnopfield, Tyne and Wear NE16 6BA**

**Tel: 01207 570 337 [www.thenewplough.co.uk](http://www.thenewplough.co.uk)**

**Facebook: TheNewPlough Twitter: @thenewplough**

## The Orangery, Rockliffe Hall Hotel



Experience Rockliffe Hall's flagship 4 AA Rosette Orangery restaurant, by executive chef Richard Allen. Allow us to take you on a food journey of textures, temperatures and tastes, where every dish tells its own story. Featured in the Good Food Guide 2018. **Opening times:** Wednesday to Sunday, reservations from 6.30pm to 9.30pm

**Hurworth on Tees, Darlington, County Durham**

**DL2 2DU Tel: 01325 729 999**

**[www.rockliffehall.com](http://www.rockliffehall.com) Facebook: Rockliffe Hall**

**Twitter: @Orangery\_RH**

## The Toronto Lodge



This Sonnet 43 Brew Pub is the home of craft ales and tempting soul food, brought together in a contemporary-meets-country style setting.

**Opening times:** Monday to Thursday 12noon– 11pm, Friday and Saturday 12noon–12midnight, Sunday 12noon–9pm.

**Toronto Lodge, Addison Road,**

**Bishop Auckland DL14 7RJ**

**Tel: 01388 664 303 [www.torontolodge.co.uk](http://www.torontolodge.co.uk)**

**Facebook: TorontoLodge Twitter: @torontolodge**

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Visit the county's official tourism website to plan your perfect break, featuring things to see and do, accommodation, food and drink, events and visitor information.

## Thomas Wright House



Restaurant with Guest Accommodation (Visit England 4 Star & Silver Award) in quiet rural setting close to Durham and Bishop Auckland. Ground floor restaurant open daily from noon: Lunch, Afternoon Tea, Dinner with a la carte options: Sunday Lunches into the evening.

First floor bar with its panoramic views is popular for parties and afternoon tea. Families enjoy the rear Garden room, with al fresco dining too on patio and lawn areas. Stay over with a choice of eight individually designed ensuite rooms. For extra luxury try Aquila with private patio, and outdoor hot tub: or Phoenix with double spa bath. Opt for 'in room' dining in both. Ample car parking and free wifi.

**Thomas Wright House, High Street, Byers Green, County Durham DL16 7PF**  
**Tel: 01388 664 716**

**[enquiries@thomaswrightshouse.com](mailto:enquiries@thomaswrightshouse.com)**

**[www.thomaswrightshouse.com](http://www.thomaswrightshouse.com)**

**Facebook: ThomasWrightHouse**

# Durham Dales

A landscape of moors and hills, waterfalls and meandering rivers which has inspired artists and writers through the ages.

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Offering one of Britain's most fascinating museum experiences, The Bowes Museum is home to one of the most important collections of European fine and decorative arts in the North of England. Paintings by Old Masters can be found alongside iconic objects such as the Silver Swan musical automaton, textiles, fashion, silver and metals, ceramics and furniture. The permanent collections are complemented by an acclaimed exhibition programme which for 2019 includes: *Sold! The Great British Antiques Story*; *Lego: Building The Bowes Museum*; *The Power and The Virtue* & Norman Cornish. Situated in beautiful gardens and parkland, the Museum offers excellent dining and a gift shop.

**Opening times:** Daily, 10am–5pm, Closed Christmas Day, Boxing Day and New Year's Day.

Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8NP

Tel: 01833 690606 [www.thebowesmuseum.org.uk](http://www.thebowesmuseum.org.uk)

Facebook: [TheBowesMuseum](#) Twitter: [@TheBowesMuseum](#)

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Visitor Information: 03000 26 26 26



## Bowlees Visitor Centre



Bowlees Visitor Centre is the perfect introduction to nature and the landscape in the North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and UNESCO Global Geopark. Enjoy walks to Low Force, High Force and Summerhill Force waterfalls and get closer to nature in the wildlife areas. Enjoy great food and drink from the café, discover local produce, art and gifts in the shop, and picnic and play in our attractive woodland site. Visitor Information – Events – Family Activities – Walking and Nature Trails – Wildlife Garden – Gift Shop – Gallery – Exhibitions – Café – Picnic Area – Car parking (voluntary charge)

**Opening times:** Daily, 16 Feb to 24 Feb (10am–4pm) and 16 Mar to 26 Oct (10am–5pm). Daily 27 Oct to 3rd Nov (10am–4pm).

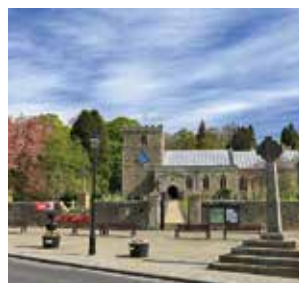
Weekends only 25 Feb to 15 Mar (10am–5pm) and 4 Nov to 8 Dec (10am–4pm)

Newbigin, Barnard Castle, County Durham DL12 0XF

Tel: 0183 362 2145 [www.visitbowlees.org.uk](http://www.visitbowlees.org.uk) [www.northpennines.org.uk](http://www.northpennines.org.uk)

Facebook: VisitBowlees Twitter: @VisitBowlees

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[www.discoverweardale.com](http://www.discoverweardale.com)

Facebook: [discoverweardale](https://www.facebook.com/discoverweardale)



## Durham Dales Centre

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A perfect destination with shopping, tea room and gardens.

Time to relax and enjoy browsing around the courtyard where specialist craft and gift shops create a unique shopping experience. Visit the large tea room for a good selection of beverages, cakes, scones, hot and cold food. Explore the gardens, hunt for bugs and discover the sculptures. Take the time to peruse the range of leaflets on offer at the Visitor Information Point for local walking, cycling, activities and attractions. The Centre is fully accessible with free parking for up to 4 hours.

**Opening times:** April to October 10am–5pm, November to March 10am–4pm

Castle Gardens, Stanhope, County Durham, DL13 2FJ

Tel: 03000 264 300 [www.durhamdalescentre.co.uk](http://www.durhamdalescentre.co.uk)

[durham.dales.centre@durham.gov.uk](mailto:durham.dales.centre@durham.gov.uk)

Facebook: DurhamDalesCentre Twitter: @durhamdalescent

A Durham County Council venue



## Hunter House Farm Bed & Breakfast



Nestled in the hills of Teesdale, overlooking Grassholme Reservoir and yards from the Pennine Way, Hunter House Farm offers the perfect location for those looking to escape from it all. Complete 3 double rooms all finished to an extremely high standard including complimentary bathrobes and slippers to enhance your stay.

**Kelton, Middleton-in-Teesdale,  
County Durham, DL12 0PP**

**Tel: 01833 640245 [www.hunterhousefarm.com](http://www.hunterhousefarm.com)**

**Email: [hunterhousefarm@outlook.com](mailto:hunterhousefarm@outlook.com)**

## Hamsterley Forest



Hamsterley Forest is a fantastic 2000 hectare forest oasis sprawling along the sides of a sheltered valley located adjacent to the North Pennines Area of Natural Beauty.

With wildlife watching, dark sky gazing, family adventure play, walking or adrenalin fuelled mountain biking, there are no shortage of options when planning your visit.

Hamsterley Forest also plays host to a vast number of events per year including running, mountain biking, picnic cinema, zombie runs, forest education and even a car rally, to keep up to date visit [www.forestry.gov.uk](http://www.forestry.gov.uk) or our Facebook page.

**Hamsterley Forest, Redford, Hamsterley, Bishop Auckland, DL13 3NL  
Tel: 01388 488312**

**Email: [enquiries.hamsterley@forestryengland.uk](mailto:enquiries.hamsterley@forestryengland.uk)**

**Facebook: [HamsterleyForest](https://www.facebook.com/HamsterleyForest)**

## Teesdale Community Resources - The Hub



TCR Hub offers indoor and outdoor facilities for everyone. We welcome families, groups of friends, corporate clients and community groups. We have an on-site cafe, high ropes, canoeing and fishing lake, community garden and picnic areas to relax in.

**TCR Hub, Shaw Bank, Barnard Castle,  
County Durham, DL12 8TD**

**Tel: 01833 369 0150**

**[www.tcrhub.co.uk](http://www.tcrhub.co.uk)**

**Email: [info@tcrhub.co.uk](mailto:info@tcrhub.co.uk) Facebook: [tcrhub](https://www.facebook.com/tcrhub)**

## High Force Waterfall



High Force, in Forest in Teesdale, is one of England's most impressive waterfalls. The River Tees suddenly and spectacularly drops 21 metres over the Whin Sill rock into a plunge pool below. Surrounded by stunning countryside, the well maintained woodland walk twists and turns leading you to this spectacular sight. Picnic area and parking available – charges apply.

**Opening times:** High Force Waterfall is open daily (except for Christmas Day) from 10am to dusk. Last admission is half an hour before closing.

**Forest in Teesdale, County Durham DL12 0XH**

**Tel: 01833 622 209 [www.highforcewaterfall.com](http://www.highforcewaterfall.com)**

**Facebook: [HighForceWaterfall](https://www.facebook.com/HighForceWaterfall) Twitter: [@HighForceWater](https://twitter.com/HighForceWater)**

## Raby Castle



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Set within a 250-acre deer park with beautiful walled gardens, Raby is one of the finest medieval castles in England and has been home to the Vane family since 1626. Behind its dramatic exterior and elaborate architecture, discover stunning interiors, fine artwork and furniture. Gift shop, tearooms, carriage collection and woodland adventure play area.

**Opening times:** Park, Tearooms and Woodland Play Area open all year from 7th January 2019. Castle and Gardens re-open for weekends in March 2019, Wednesday to Sunday from April to September (plus Tuesdays in July and August) and weekends in October. Open Bank Holidays. Please check the website for further information, admission times and details of our special events.

**Staindrop, Near Darlington, County Durham DL2 3AH**

**Tel: 01833 660 202 [www.rabycastle.com](http://www.rabycastle.com)**

**Facebook: [/RabyCastle](https://www.facebook.com/RabyCastle) Twitter: [@RabyCastle](https://twitter.com/RabyCastle)**

## Mission Hall Antiques



Located on The Bank in the heart of Barnard Castle's conservation area and ideally placed for specialist shopping. Over 40 dealers selling everything from Worcester, Early Blue and White, Royal Doulton, Moorcroft and Beleek to 20th Century ceramics, jewellery and collectables, books, kitchenalia, glass, militaria, silver, antique fishing tackle, furniture and vintage clothing. Visit our other shop Robson's Antiques – across the road from Mission Hall (at 36 The Bank) which specialises in glass and silverware.

**Opening times:** Mission Hall: Monday to Saturday 10am–5pm, Sunday 1.30pm–5pm. Robson's: Monday to Saturday 10am–5pm.

**51 The Bank, Barnard Castle, County Durham DL12 8PL**  
Tel: 01833 631 101 [www.missionhallantiquescentre.co.uk](http://www.missionhallantiquescentre.co.uk)

## Thorpe Farm Centre



Thorpe Farm Centre is surrounded by beautiful open countryside. Pitch up your caravan, camper or tent at our campsite, with seasonal and yearly pitches available. Facilities include meeting rooms and conference facilities, with parties catered for. Visit the woodland area, with designated dog walks; enjoy the views and wildlife at the Wetland Nature Reserve; pet the animals at our rescue center or go on a cycle ride around Barnard Castle. The Courtyard coffee shop and restaurant serves delicious meals lovingly prepared in our farmhouse kitchen – including our popular Sunday carvery.

**Thorpe Farm Centre, Greta Bridge, Barnard Castle, DL12 9TY**  
Tel: 01833 627242 [www.thorpefarm.co.uk](http://www.thorpefarm.co.uk)  
Email: [info@thorpefarm.co.uk](mailto:info@thorpefarm.co.uk) Facebook: ThorpeFarmCentre  
Twitter: @thorpefarmtweet Instagram: @thorpefarmcentre

## Weardale Railway



Weardale in the heart of the North Pennines is probably the least known major Dale of the English Uplands and has magnificent and unspoilt views. The Weardale Railway allows this to be enjoyed unhindered by traffic while travelling at a leisurely pace along the banks of the beautiful and gentle River Wear.

Train operational between March–October. See website for full details.

**Weardale Railway Heritage Services Ltd**  
Stanhope Station, Station Road, Bishop Auckland DL13 2YS  
Tel: 07719 757 755 [www.weardale-railway.org.uk](http://www.weardale-railway.org.uk)  
[marketing@weardale-railway.org.uk](mailto:marketing@weardale-railway.org.uk)



## Chocolate Fayre, Barnard Castle



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**31a Horsemarket, Barnard Castle, County Durham, DL12 8LX**

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Tel: 01833 631 307 [www.chocolatefayre.co.uk](http://www.chocolatefayre.co.uk)

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## Clarendon's of Barnard Castle

Quality Assured and Local Produce Champion 



Quintessentially British, this classic tearoom serves traditional breakfasts, lunches, afternoon teas and cake. Local produce is always on the menu and all cuisine is freshly prepared, home-made and delicious!

**Opening hours:** Mon–Fri 8.30am–5pm,  
Sat & Bank Holidays 9am–5pm, Closed Sunday  
**29 Market Place, Barnard Castle,  
Co Durham DL12 8NE Tel: 01833 690 110**  
[info@clarendonsofbarnardcastle.co.uk](mailto:info@clarendonsofbarnardcastle.co.uk)  
[www.clarendonsofbarnardcastle.co.uk](http://www.clarendonsofbarnardcastle.co.uk)  
Facebook: Clarendons of Barnard Castle

## Eggleston Hall Cafe & Tearooms



  
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The beautifully converted Coach House is the perfect setting for Eggleston Hall Café and Tearoom. Situated alongside the renowned Eggleston Hall and Gardens it's a great place to enjoy either breakfast, lunch or tea. Locally sourced produce is used wherever possible. Usual opening hours 10am–4pm, see website for seasonal changes.

**Eggleston Hall, Eggleston, Barnard Castle,  
Co Durham DL12 0AG Tel: 0183 365 0553**  
[info@ccscatering.co.uk](mailto:info@ccscatering.co.uk) [www.egglestonhall.co.uk](http://www.egglestonhall.co.uk)  
Facebook: Eggleston Hall Cafe & Tearoom  
TripAdvisor: Eggleston Hall Cafe & Tearoom

## The Three Tuns



There's something for everyone at the Three Tuns. Visit us in the rolling hills of Eggleston, for a village pub experience like no other for dog owners, families and walkers, with our twice weekly steak nights, weekly quiz and B&B.

**Church Bank, Eggleston, Barnard Castle DL12 0AH**  
Tel: 01833 650 289 [www.thethreetuns.co.uk](http://www.thethreetuns.co.uk)  
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# Durham Coast

A dramatic coastline with clifftop walks, beaches, breathtaking views and the bustling harbour town of Seaham.





## Dalton Park



The biggest outlet shopping centre in the North East, located just 20 minutes from Durham City. There's over 50 outlet shops offering up to 50% off RRP every day plus great places to eat, a 7 screen cinema and free parking too. **Store opening times:** Monday to Friday 10am–7pm, Saturday 9am–7pm, Sunday 10:30am\*–5pm



(\*Stores over 3000sqft open at 11am)

**Dalton Park Outlet shopping & leisure, Murton,**  
County Durham SR7 9HU Tel 0191 526 6500  
[www.dalton-park.co.uk](http://www.dalton-park.co.uk) Facebook: DaltonParkOutlet  
Twitter: @dalton\_park Instagram: dalton\_park

## East Durham Heritage & Lifeboat Centre



Welcome to the EDH & LC, explore Seaham's rich heritage and see the historic lifeboat The George Elmy which was wrecked in November 1962 with the loss of its crew. View the photographic and document archives, perhaps see where your grandparents lived. Enjoy the safe sandy beach and the various cafes and shops. The group are keen to attract additional enthusiastic volunteers to help manage the Heritage Centre.

**Open:** Thursday to Sunday 10am (11am in Winter) to 3pm.

**Seaham Harbour Marina, Seaham SR7 7EE**  
Tel. 0191 581 8904 [eastdurham1@btconnect.com](mailto:eastdurham1@btconnect.com)  
[www.eastdurhamheritagegroup.co.uk](http://www.eastdurhamheritagegroup.co.uk)  
Facebook: East Durham Heritage & Lifeboat Centre

## Seaham Marina



The multi award-winning Seaham Marina – County Durham's one and only marina, offers an excellent safe haven for family visits. The marina provides facilities for 96 boats, an onsite café, ice cream parlour and other retailers in The Waterside building. The newly developed activity centre offers fantastic opportunities for water sports and outdoor adventures.

**Opening times:** April to September 9am–7.30pm, October to March 9am–5pm (Retail opening times may vary)

**Seaham Marina, The Waterside, Seaham,**  
County Durham SR7 7EE  
Tel: 0191 581 8998 [www.seahammarina.com](http://www.seahammarina.com)

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**Peterlee Parachute Centre, Shotton Airfield, Shotton**  
Colliery, Durham DH6 2NH [www.SkydiveAcademy.org.uk](http://www.SkydiveAcademy.org.uk)  
Tel: 0191 517 1234 [info@skydiveacademy.org.uk](mailto:info@skydiveacademy.org.uk)  
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**www.tithebarncottages.co.uk**  
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## Dalton Park



Whether its kick starting your day with fresh coffee and breakfast, or if you are taking a quick shopping break in one of our cosy café's dotted through the mall, there's plenty of choice at Dalton Park.

There's also a selection of restaurants and a carvery pub which are open later in to the evening and are perfectly located for a bite to eat before visiting our 7 screen cinema.

**Dalton Park Outlet shopping & leisure, Murton, County Durham SR7 9HU**


Tel 0191 526 6500 [www.dalton-park.co.uk](http://www.dalton-park.co.uk)

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Instagram: dalton\_park

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**13 North Terrace, Seaham, County Durham SR7 7EU**

Tel: 0191 581 0719 [www.lickety-split.co.uk](http://www.lickety-split.co.uk)

Facebook: Splicketylit Twitter: @\_Splickety\_Lit



## Tonia's Café

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Tonia's is a family-run café situated on the clifftops overlooking the beautiful East Durham coast. The menu offers a large variety of food and drinks as well as a dessert and milkshake bar. Situated beside a large free car park, Tonia's is family friendly and fully accessible.

**Opening times:** April to October 9am–6pm, November to March 9am–4pm. Closed Christmas Day.

**Seaham Hall Car Park, North Road, Seaham, County Durham SR7 7AG** Tel: 0191 513 1515  
[www.toniascafe.co.uk](http://www.toniascafe.co.uk) Facebook: ToniasSeaham  
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# #durham19

2019 is set to be an unmissable year in Durham, with a packed programme of festivals, events and openings.

The UK's largest light festival, **Lumiere Durham**, will return in November for its 10th anniversary edition as the streets of Durham City are transformed into a nocturnal art trail once again, whilst the county plays host to the **ICC Cricket World Cup** in June and July, including England's final group game against New Zealand.

Some of the county's most iconic attractions have exciting new experiences for visitors in 2019. **Auckland Castle**, the 900-year-old former residence and hunting lodge of the Prince Bishops of Durham and one of the best preserved bishops' palaces in Europe will once again welcome visitors following a multi-million pound development, whilst **Durham Cathedral Central Tower** will reopen following conservation works to preserve it for

## Beginning in Winter

Catch Your Breath: Palace Green Library	24 Nov 2018 – 17 March 2019
Durham Vocal Festival	26 Jan – 9 Feb
SOLD! The Great British Antiques Story: The Bowes Museum	26 Jan – 5 May
Feasting & Fasting: The Great Kitchen at Durham Cathedral	11 Feb – 1 June
Fire & Ice InDurham	22 – 23 Feb

## Beginning in Spring

Apollo Pavilion 50th Anniversary Lift Off	22 – 23 March
Beamish Museum – The Great North Festival of Transport	11 – 28 April
Bishop Auckland Food Festival	13 – 14 April
Durham Adventure Festival	26 – 28 April
Tour Series Cycling	May
Locomotion: Festival of Steam	4 – 6 May
Lego®: Building The Bowes Museum	25 May – 13 Oct

## Beginning in Summer

Durham Regatta	8 – 9 June
Seaham Food Festival	8 – 9 June
The Vikings in Northumbria – Durham Cathedral	11 June – 28 Sept

future generations. And at **Beamish, The Living Museum of the North**, the £18m Remaking Beamish project continues, creating a range of new ways for people to experience the heritage of the North East.

Whether it's a food festival getting your taste buds tingling, music or dance getting your toes tapping, drama or sport putting you on the edge of your seat, an exhibition that opens your eyes, a heritage event bringing the past to life, or a festival that lets you get back to nature – you're certain to have an eventful time in Durham.

Watch the #Durham19 video to find out more about our incredible year, and plan your eventful break at: [thisisdurham.com/19](https://thisisdurham.com/19)

Below is a selection of the unmissable events and festivals taking place.

The ICC Cricket World Cup	28 June, 1 & 3 July
Kynren – An Epic Tale of England	29 June – 14 Sept
Durham City Run	25 July
Miners Gala	13 July
Durham Brass Festival	13 – 21 July
Beamish Museum: Great North Festival of Agriculture	29 Aug – 22 Sept

## Beginning in Autumn / Winter

Wolsingham Show	7 – 8 Sept
Heritage Open Days	13 – 22 Sept
Locomotion: Autumn Steam Gala	21 – 22 Sept
Durham Book Festival	5 – 13 Oct
TakeOff Festival	21 – 26 Oct
North Pennines Stargazing Festival	23 Oct – 3 Nov
Lumiere Durham	14 – 17 Nov
Norman Cornish – The Bowes Museum	16 Nov – 5 Jan 2020
Durham City's Traditional Christmas Festival	29 Nov – 1 Dec

For more information, and for the county's full programme of festivals and events, visit: [thisisdurham.com/19](https://thisisdurham.com/19)

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# Visitor Information

Local knowledge to make the most of your visit

## Visitor Contact Centre

With excellent knowledge of the area, the experienced, professional staff in Durham's official Visitor Contact Centre are on hand to help before and during your visit.

- Information and bookings for places to stay
- Information on places to visit, eat, shop and events
- Practical information including opening times and accessibility

**Call:** 03000 26 26 26  
**Email:** [visitor@thisisdurham.com](mailto:visitor@thisisdurham.com)  
**Text:** 'Visit' and your enquiry to 80011  
**Twitter:** @moreDurham

Calls – cost of a local call, calls from mobiles may vary.

Texts – standard network charges apply.

**Monday to Friday 9am–5pm. Closed weekends and Bank Holidays**

Please note: the Visitor Contact Centre is not open to the public for face to face enquiries.

## Visitor Information Points

During your stay, call into one of the Visitor Information Points at 19 locations across the county. They offer the latest information via face to face, electronic tourist information kiosks or telephone points, plus access to a wide selection of leaflets and guides.

## Durham City

**Durham Indoor Market** Market Place, Durham City DH1 3NJ

**Gala Theatre & Cinema** Millennium Place, Durham City DH1 1WA

**The Town Hall** Market Place, Durham City DH1 3NJ

**World Heritage Site Visitor Centre** 7 Owengate, Durham City DH1 3HB

**Durham Pointers (seasonal)** Market Place, Durham City DH1 3NJ

Look out for the volunteer 'Pointers' in their distinctive pink tabards located by the map in Durham City Market Place, alongside their distinctive trike. Assisting visitors with directions to attractions, places to eat, leaflets and maps, the North East 'Visitor Information Provider' 2018 winners are present seven days a week from mid-May to early October.

## Vale of Durham

**Auckland Tower** Market Place, Bishop Auckland DL14 7NP

**Bishop Auckland Railway Station**

Bob Hardisty Drive, Bishop Auckland, County Durham DL14 7EJ

**Hardwick Park Visitor Centre** Sedgfield, County Durham TS21 2DN

**Holiday Inn Darlington North** Newton Park, County Durham DL1 3NL

**Locomotion** Shildon, County Durham DL4 1PQ

## Durham Dales

**Chatterbox Café**

11 Market Place, St Johns Chapel, County Durham DL13 1QF

**Bowlees Visitor Centre** Middleton in Teesdale, County Durham DL12 OXE

**Durham Dales Centre** Castle Gardens, Stanhope, County Durham DL13 2FJ

**Killhope** Near Cowshill, Upper Weardale, County Durham DL13 1AR

**The Witham** 3 Horse Market, Barnard Castle, County Durham DL12 8LY

**Thorpe Farm Centre** Thorpe Farm, Greta Bridge, Barnard Castle, County Durham DL12 9TY

**Visitor Information Centre (Middleton Plus)** 10 Market Place, Middleton in Teesdale, County Durham DL12 OQG

## Durham Coast

**Dalton Park** Murton, County Durham SR7 9HU

**Tonia's Café** Seaham Hall Car Park, The Promenade, North Road, Seaham, County Durham SR7 7AG

## Durham City Park & Ride

Secure CCTV-controlled sites at Belmont, Snipерley and Howlands. Park & Ride users park free and travel into the city centre for £2. Open Monday to Saturday 7am–7pm.

- Belmont Route on the junction of the A1(M)/A690: Milburngate Bridge east side, Milburngate, County Hall, University Hospital
- Snipерley Route on the A691: University Hospital, County Hall, Milburngate, Claypath
- Howlands Park Route on the A177: New Elvet, Milburngate Bridge east side, Milburngate, Leazes Road underpass, New Elvet

Simply turn up and park your car for free, then buy your ticket at one of the easy-to-use payment machines with coins, notes or a credit card by following the on-screen instructions.

## Durham Cathedral Bus

The Cathedral Bus is a dedicated service covering three routes linking the rail station, principal city centre bus stops, coach park and the Market Place with the World Heritage Site of Durham Cathedral and Durham Castle.

## Public Transport

Once you arrive in Durham you'll find a good network of regular public transport services. For further details of routes and times of services visit the Interactive Transport Map at [www.durham.gov.uk/busmap](http://www.durham.gov.uk/busmap). A printed copy of the transport map can be obtained by calling 03000 268 667 or emailing [sustainabletransport@durham.gov.uk](mailto:sustainabletransport@durham.gov.uk)

## Traveline

For more information about the Cathedral Bus and public transport services across Durham and surrounding areas, contact Traveline direct by calling 0871 200 2233, or visit their website at [www.traveline.info](http://www.traveline.info)

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# Further Afield

There's so much to discover on Durham's doorstep

After experiencing all that Durham has to offer, use the county as a base to explore the rest of North East England.

For fun-filled family days out, head to NewcastleGateshead for the **Life Science Centre**, **Seven Stories – The National Centre for Children's Books** and **Great North Museum: Hancock**. Get back to nature at the **WWT Washington Wetland Centre** or soak up the seaside atmosphere in the lively towns of **South Shields**, **Whitley Bay** and **Tynemouth**.

Culture lovers will be in their element at **The National Glass Centre** in Sunderland, the famous **BALTIC Centre for Contemporary Art** in Gateshead, or modern art gallery, **mima**, Middlesbrough Institute of Modern Art.

Discover the heritage of the region at **Holy Island of Lindisfarne**, **Bamburgh Castle**, **Alnwick Castle** and **Hadrian's Wall World Heritage Site** in Northumberland. Delve into Newcastle's turbulent history and how the city got its name with a visit to **Newcastle Castle**. In Tees Valley, at **Head of Steam – Darlington Railway Museum** you can learn about the first steam-powered passenger carrying public railway, or uncover the oldest warship still afloat in the UK at Hartlepool's **National Museum of the Royal Navy**. And at the **Sunderland Museum & Winter Gardens** you can discover more about the city's fascinating history and take a walk in the glass atrium which houses over 2,000 tropical plants.

Enjoy a breath of fresh air at the **Northumberland National Park** or **Kielder Water & Forest Park**. Stride out along the vibrant **NewcastleGateshead Quayside** and take in the iconic view of the seven bridges across the River Tyne. And in Tees Valley visit the award-winning **RSPB Saltholme**, climb to the summit of **Roseberry Topping**, or splash out at **Tees Barrage International White Water Centre**. To find out more about what's on Durham's doorstep, visit:

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## Arts Centre Washington



Arts Centre Washington stages theatre, music, exhibitions, film, dance and comedy under one roof. Each month it hosts a Craft Fair, one of the most established in the region and the award winning Davy Lamp Folk Club. There is also a packed programme of classes and courses for all ages. **Biddick Lane, Washington**

**NE38 8AB** [www.artscentrewashington.co.uk](http://www.artscentrewashington.co.uk)

Email: [acw@sunderland.gov.uk](mailto:acw@sunderland.gov.uk)

Tel: **0191 561 3455**

Facebook: [artscentrewashington](https://www.facebook.com/artscentrewashington)

Twitter: [@ArtsCtrWton](https://twitter.com/ArtsCtrWton)

## National Glass Centre



National Glass Centre is a unique cultural attraction and venue. With glass at the heart of everything we do, we celebrate Sunderland's glass making heritage and explore this extraordinary material. Our contemporary galleries host an international exhibitions programme and we offer a wide range of activities, experiences and courses. **Liberty Way, Sunderland, SR6 0G**

Tel: **0191 515 5555** [www.nationalglasscentre.com](http://www.nationalglasscentre.com)

Email: [info@nationalglasscentre.com](mailto:info@nationalglasscentre.com)

Facebook: [nationalglasscentresunderland](https://www.facebook.com/nationalglasscentresunderland)

Twitter: [@NGC\\_GlassCentre](https://twitter.com/NGC_GlassCentre)

## Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art



Northern Gallery for Contemporary Art presents changing exhibitions from emerging and established artists both from the UK and abroad, bringing key new works of modern art to new audiences. In partnership with National Glass Centre, NGCA also aims to create a new collection of contemporary art. **Liberty Way, Sunderland SR6 0GL**

[www.northerngalleryforcontemporaryart.co.uk](http://www.northerngalleryforcontemporaryart.co.uk)

Email: [ngca@sunderland.ac.uk](mailto:ngca@sunderland.ac.uk) Tel: **0191 515 5555**

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For more information on these attractions and to find out what other things you can see and do in Sunderland visit

[www.seeitdoitsunderland.co.uk](http://www.seeitdoitsunderland.co.uk)



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## Sunderland Empire



Just 30 minutes from Durham City centre, the Sunderland Empire is the biggest theatre in the North East and stages a season of dazzling shows. This includes West End hits such as The Bodyguard, War Horse, The King and I and Kinky Boots, classical performances from Birmingham Royal Ballet and cutting edge comedy from the likes of Jimmy Carr and Billy Bailey. Light entertainment such as Strictly Come Dancing plus concerts and family shows including the annual star-studded pantomime complete the varied programme. Bistro available on site. Wheelchair access available.

**Opening times:** Check website for full details.

**4-5 High Street West, Sunderland SR1 3EX**

**Tel: 0844 871 3022\* [www.atgtickets.com/sunderland](http://www.atgtickets.com/sunderland)**

**Facebook: [SunderlandEmpire](https://www.facebook.com/SunderlandEmpire)**

**Instagram/Twitter: @SundEmpire**

\*Calls cost up to 7ppm plus your phone company's standard network charge

## Sunderland Museum & Winter Gardens



Discover the history of Sunderland from its prehistoric past to present day. Our art galleries, exhibitions & Winter Gardens combined with our family activities and events create an exciting visitor attraction in the heart of the city. You'll also find amazing objects like the first Nissan car to roll off the production line at their Sunderland factory in 1986 and long-time children's favourite, Wallace the Lion. The recently refurbished shop and café also provide the perfect setting for a relaxing afternoon of retail therapy.

**Burdon Road, Sunderland SR1 1PP [www.sunderlandmuseum.co.uk](http://www.sunderlandmuseum.co.uk)**

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**Tel: 0191 561 2323 Facebook: [sunderlandmuseum](https://www.facebook.com/sunderlandmuseum)**

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WYNYARD HALL

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The venue's luxury accommodation includes 19 bespoke bedrooms and 5 charming hot tub cottages. The two AA rosette Wellington Restaurant serves an exquisite fine dining menu, while the library provides a magnificent setting to savour afternoon tea.

Guests can relax in the stunning lakeside Spa, unwind in the thermal heat suite or perhaps enjoy a tantalising treatment. Or, they can head to The Gardens and discover 3,000 dazzling David Austin roses, browse the Farm Shop and explore The Glasshouse, filled with luxury homeware and gorgeous gifts.

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