

THE SETTLE LOOP

The Settle Loop is the first section of the Pennine Bridleway to be opened in the Yorkshire Dales National Park. The loop is a 16km (10 miles) circuit taking in stunning limestone scenery including views of the nationally important Malham Tarn.

The loop starts in Settle and climbs out of this lovely town into the Yorkshire Dales National Park, traverses a wonderful limestone upland, before descending back towards Settle. The trail incorporates open grassy stretches, limestone outcrops, grass / gravel paths and quiet winding lanes near Settle. There are many other bridleways in the area which can be used to extend your journey by linking to

GETTING HERE

Settle is easily accessible by train from Leeds, Bradford and Skipton, and is the start of the famous Settle to Carlisle railway line. The service does carry bicycles although you should book in advance. Full timetables are available from www.settlecarlisle.co.uk/timetables/index.cfm

By bus you can get to Settle from Skipton, Ilkley and West Yorkshire on summer weekends, and from Skipton and Settle more frequently. You can find out more from www.travelidales.org.uk or phone 0870 608 2 608.

Places to stay

This leaflet lists accommodated near to the loop that has facilities for cyclists and horse riders. A wide variety of other accommodation is available, and details can be found on www.yorkshiredales.org, or from the local National Park and Tourist Information Centres.

For more information, including accommodation, on the Pennine Bridleway visit www.nationaltrail.co.uk/penninebridleway

Parking for Horse Box / Trailer

Car parking for all users Horse Box / Trailer parking

Restored parking is available in Settle in Greenfoot Car Park, near North Ribblesdale Rugby Club, however you must park WITHIN the marked bays (size 2.4m x 5m). Charges are per marked bay.

If you are organising a trip for a number of people, you may wish to ask about using the rugby club's car park and facilities. Please contact them in advance to check availability and to make a booking, at <http://www.northribblesdale.co.uk/contact.htm>

Useful contacts

FARRIERS
Mark Wood
Gargrave 07967 329872

VETS
Dalehead Veterinary Group
Settle 01729 823538

RIDING CENTRE
Malham 01729 830352
Kilnsey Trekking & Riding Centre
Conistone 01756 752861

TACK AND FEED SHOPS
Northern Equestrian Tack Shop
Rathmell 07792 676773
Fred Green & Sons Ltd
Gargrave 01756 749229

CYCLE SHOPS
Settle Cycles (sales & repair)
Settle 01729 822216
Skipton Cycles (sales & hire)
Skipton 01756 795367
Dave Ferguson Cycles (sales & hire)
Skipton 01756 74386
Skipton Bicycle Shop (sales & hire)
Skipton 01729 824419
Off the Rails (MTB hire/instruction/guided rides)
Settle 01729 830363
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Accommodation information

Stainforth Youth Hostel
YHA
Horse
3km
Stainforth, Settle BD24 9PA
Tel 08707 706046
Washdown Facility available.

Golden Lion Hotel
HOTEL
on the loop
SD818 636
Duke Street, Settle BD24 9DU
Tel 01729 822203
Washdown Facility available.

The Royal Oak Hotel
HOTEL
on the loop
SD818 637
Market Place, Settle BD24 9ED
Tel 01729 822561
Washdown Facility available.

Craven Country Ride
HORSE ACCOMMODATION ONLY
20min drive
SD898 547
Pot Haw Farm, Conistone Cold BD23 4ED
Tel 01756 749300
Washdown Facility available. Cross country and farm rides.

Harts Head Hotel
INN
1.5km from loop
SD812641
Belle Hill, Giggleswick, Settle BD24 0BA
Tel 01729 822086
Washdown Facility available.

Beck Hall Guest House
GUEST HOUSE
2.5km
Malham BD23 4D
Church Street, Settle BD24 9JD
Tel 01729 830332
Washdown Facility available.

Whitefriars Guest House
GUEST HOUSE
on the loop
SD818 638
Church Street, Settle BD24 9JD
Tel 01729 823753
Washdown Facility available.

Yorkshire Dales Trekking Centre
HORSE ACCOMMODATION ONLY
3km
Holme Farm, Malham BD23 4DA
Tel 01729 830352
Washdown / Drying Facility and Cycle Storage available from 2006. B+B package available in Malham.

Melling Dub Farm
SELF CATERING COTTAGES HORSES
15min drive
SD558 779
Tossie, Settle, BD23 4SD
Tel 01729 840830
Washdown Facility available.

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National Trails

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