



ENGLAND'S GREAT WALKING TRAILS

HADRIAN'S WALL WALK

INCLUSIONS

- ✓ 4 Nights superior ensuite accommodation with full English Breakfast.
- ✓ The services of friendly local hosts to welcome and brief you, share their local knowledge and look after you.
- ✓ Arrival transfer from Carlisle to your hotel and return to either Carlisle or Newcastle.
- ✓ Transfers each day to/from the start/end of your walk to your hotel
- ✓ Luggage transfers between hotels
- ✓ Emergency 24 hour phone number and support
- ✓ Adventure Handbook - packed full of information, history and photos of the area your tour covers
- ✓ Written Route Directions and transfer timings, OS maps with your route marked and guide book

PRICES FROM
£1370
PER PERSON



Hadrian's Wall Walk

Hadrian's Wall is Europe's largest surviving Roman monument. It was the brainchild of Emperor Hadrian, who ordered its construction in AD122 to hold back the advancing Barbarians in northern England. As much of the wall still exists, and it traverses some of Britain's most ruggedly beautiful landscape, this is a remarkable and dramatic walk through history.

As you follow Hadrian's footsteps from coast to coast, from Bowness on Solway, past Carlisle to Newcastle, you encounter a string of milecastles and forts, jaw-dropping vistas and details of life from two thousand years ago

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HIGHLIGHTS



CARLISLE

DAY 1

Arrive in Carlisle at your leisure, by train from Euston or from London Southend Airport to the newly opened Carlisle Airport.

Depending on your time of arrival explore **Carlisle Castle** from its beginnings as a Roman Fort in AD 72, to the first stone castle built around 1092 by William 11, through Medieval years as a key fortress in the border wars between England and Scotland, Jacobite rebellion and into the 20th Century. What a fantastic way to start your walk through time!

You will be met in Carlisle and transferred to your hotel where your host will meet you and run through your itinerary, answering any questions you may have. Enjoy the comforts of your hotel, freshen up and relax as you are free to spend the evening as you wish

Walton to Gilsland



8 miles (13 km)

DAY 2

After a short transfer you begin your walk from **Walton**.

Your path travels through farmland to **Haytongate**, where there is an option to take a detour to visit the romantic **Lanercost Priory ruin** and the adjacent vicarge's **Edward Tower**, where Edward 1 once convalesced, and then turns downhill from Banks. This is a very pleasant section of walking before the rigours of the next few sections. The turf wall gives way to consolidated stone now, and there are some great views from some of the turrets of the stunning countryside all around. The Roman gem of the **Birdoswald Estate** on Banna fort is yours to explore too - this is a magical place coupled with informative exhibits.

At the end of the walk in Gilsland you will be met by your driver and transferred back to your hotel.

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Gilsland to Once Brewed



8 miles (13 km)

DAY 3

Transfer to **Gilsland** to pick up the trail. Today is one of the most demanding sections, but when you reach the highest point of the trail at **Winshields Craggs**, you will be rewarded by stunning views in every direction. The quality of the wall is also excellent along this section.

Upon reaching Once Brewed; you will be transferred to **Vindolanda** if time permits, en route to **Langley Castle** - your base for the next two nights. **Vindolanda** was a Roman auxiliary fort which guarded the Stanegate Roman road. It is noted for the Vindolanda tablets, considered to be among the most important finds of military and private correspondence found anywhere in the Roman Empire and the oldest surviving handwritten documents in Britain. They are also probably the best source of information about life on **Hadrian's Wall**, so a visit here is highly recommended!

Once Brewed to Chollerford



12 miles (19 km)

DAY 4

Pick up your packed lunch from the hotel before hopping into your car back to **Once Brewed** for the start of the trail, or to Vindolanda if you missed it yesterday. Once en route, you will experience some of the most spectacular sections of the wall, through rugged countryside and a host of roman ruins and forts. **Housesteads Fort** has an interesting museum and a tea shop. At Shield on the wall you rejoin the wall and follow the Roman road past Tower Tye and on to **Chesters Museum**, which marks a key site on the wall. At the end of the walk we meet you at Chesters Museum for a transfer back to Langley Castle

Carlisle / Newcastle

DAY 5

Depart your hotel at leisure with a transfer back to Carlisle or on to Newcastle for your onward journey