

7 Night Southern Yorkshire Dales Self-Guided Member Break

Trip style: Member breaks

Destination:  Yorkshire Dales

Trip code: MDL07-MBR06



HOLIDAY OVERVIEW

Exclusively for members, this self-guided walking holiday in the Peak District gives you the flexibility and freedom to do as much or as little as you please. You'll have plenty of sightseeing greats within easy distance, including Malham Cove, Malham Tarn, Janet's Foss and Gordale Scar, plus Yorkshire's famous trio of summits: Pen-y-ghent, Wharfedale, and Ingleborough.

WHAT YOU'LL LOVE

- Specially discounted price exclusively for members
- Exploring the varied landscape of the Southern Yorkshire Dales on foot
- Admiring green valleys and waterfalls on riverside strolls
- Heading to Skipton for its well-preserved 900-year-old castle
- Making use of our detailed route notes and recommendations
- Staying at Newfield Hall, our country house near the village of Malham

WHAT'S INCLUDED

- Comfortable en-suite accommodation in our country house
- Cream tea on arrival day
- Cooked or continental breakfast every morning
- Daily packed lunches
- Three-course evening meals, plus tea & coffee
- HF Holidays Leaders
- Easy-to-follow routes, maps, and information available in our Discovery Point if you want to explore independently
- Discount on your bar bill (UK country houses only)

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Day 1: Arrival Day

Check-in at the hotel is available from 16:00. If you are a member you can arrive at the house from 14:00. Enjoy a complimentary cream tea at 16:30 and meet other guests.

Day 2-7: Leg Stretcher Walks (walking Grades 1 - 2)

These are a selection of longer walks on well-graded paths that allow you to discover local highlights and viewpoints. These routes are often further from the house but still offer walks that start and end on the doorstep of the property, plus options for guests travelling by public transport or car. The walks you'll find in our Discovery Point at Newfield Hall range from 5 to 7.5 miles and visit popular areas such as Malhamdale, Wharfedale and Gaping Gill.

Day 2-7: Full on Walks (Walking Grade 3 - 4)

These walks are ideal for those with more stamina who can push themselves to go that extra mile. Some routes will start from the house, but some may require the use of a car. Public transport may not be possible for every route in this category due to remote locations. The walks you'll find in our Discovery Point at Newfield Hall range from 7 to 11.5 miles and visit popular areas such as two of the iconic Yorkshire Three Peaks, Ingleborough and Pen-y-Ghent.

Day 2-7: Laid Back Walks (Walking Grade 1 - 2)

Our easiest selection means walking at a relaxed pace, often stopping and spending time at places of interest along the way. Some are circular walks that start and end on the doorstep of our country house; others make use of local transport whilst remaining close to the property. The walks you'll find in our Discovery Point at Newfield Hall range from 2.5 to 4.5 miles and visit popular areas such as Malham Cove, Bolton Abbey, and Ingleborough Cave.

Day 8: Departure Day

Enjoy a leisurely breakfast before making your way home.

Newfield Hall

Looking every inch the baronial mansion, Newfield Hall sits in two acres of grounds near the village of Malham at the southern base of Yorkshire Dales National Park. Given it was this very landscape which inspired Wordsworth to write a sonnet and Charles Kingsley to pen *The Water Babies*, the countryside views are as gorgeous as you'd imagine. You'll also have plenty of sightseeing greats within easy travelling distance, most notably Malham Tarn, Janet's Foss, Gordale Scar, Malham Cove, and The Dry Valley of the Watlowes. And then, of course, there's Yorkshire's famous trio of summits: Pen-y-ghent, Whernside, and Ingleborough, collectively known as the three peaks. Stay at Newfield Hall and experience the exceptional service of a VisitEngland ROSE award winner. Find out more about the latest accolade awarded to our country house in the Southern Yorkshire Dales by reading our latest blog.

A warm welcome

We want you to feel comfortable from the moment you arrive. You'll find a welcome pack in your room with guest registration forms, menus, order forms for dinners and picnic lunches, the Wi-Fi password, and the front door code. Our houses are locked at night, so we recommend noting the Duty Manager's number on arrival in case of an emergency (or getting locked out).

Evening entertainment

While evening entertainment varies from house to house, HF Holidays Inter-House Quiz night held after dinner on Wednesdays is a weekly staple. Your HF Holidays leader may be around for tips on guided and self-guided walking routes as well as visit-worthy local attractions.

Walks talks

Our HF Holidays walk leaders host guided walking information briefings before dinner on guided walking holiday arrival days. This is followed by a group Walks Talk for information on the following day's guided walks (held before dinner every evening). Self-guided walking guests are, of course, welcome.

The walking day

Prior to setting off on guided walks, your HF Holidays Leader will run you through a short safety briefing. There's also an up-to-date weather forecast on display at the house to ensure you have appropriate clothing and footwear. If you choose to do your own walks or are on a self-guided walking holiday, we ask that you please complete an Independent Walker Card each day. These can be found near the Discovery Point in the house.