

Leg 4 - Haltwhistle to Bellingham

Length: 27 miles Time to allow for cycling: 3 hours 15 minutes



From the main entrance of the Camping and Caravanning Club at Haltwhistle, take a left turn onto the country lane.



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After several hundred metres you will reach a give way sign at the junction of the main road. Turn left here.



Follow this road for just over 1 mile, and when you see the signpost for the A69 (Carlisle/Newcastle), turn left immediately afterwards (just before you reach the A69). This is a traffic-free route.



Follow this track for approximately 400 metres, rejoining the road (Plenmeller Road). After approximately 300 metres, turn left and follow the track over Haltwhistle Tyne Bridge until you reach the junction with the B6322.



Turn left and follow the B6322 for approximately 100 metres. Turn right into Station Road, following the road past the war memorial and the hospital on your left.



Follow this road for approximately 600 metres, through the high street (Main Street). Continue to follow Main Street, which will change into Castle Hill Terrace, for approximately 600 metres until you reach the junction with the B6322.





Turn right onto the B6322, and then turn immediately left – signpost Melkridge.

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You will cycle under the A69 bridge, past Seldom Seen Caravan Park on your right, following the road through Melkridge, Towhouse, Redburn and Bardon Mill (approximately 4.5 miles).



When you reach Bardon Mill, go past Bowes public house on your left, cross over a bridge and take the next left turn, directly opposite the war memorial (approximately 200 metres after the bridge).



Pass under the A69 and continue along this road for just under a mile, until you reach a crossroads. At the crossroads turn left - signpost Bardon Mill.



Continue ahead for several hundred metres, over a weak bridge, turning immediately right after the bridge – signpost Vindolanda and Once Brewed.



Follow this road for approximately 1 mile, continuing to follow the signs to Vindolanda and Once Brewed.



At the next junction turn right - signpost Once Brewed. Follow this road for 1 mile to the junction of the B6318, past the National Park Visitor Centre and signposts for Vindolanda.



At the junction of the B6318 turn right, then immediately left – signpost Hadrian's Wall and Steel Rigg. Follow this road for approximately 2 miles, past Melkridge Common.



At the next junction, take a right turn and follow this road for approximately 1 mile.

At Edges Green, the road turns sharp left. Continue directly ahead, over a cattle grid, taking the road directly ahead (continuing forward, past a turning on your right – cycle route 68).



Continue forward through the Northumberland National Park for approximately 12 miles, following cycle route 68 to Hetherington.



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At Hetherington, turn left at the t-junction, continuing to follow cycle route 68 along the Pennine Way.





At the t-junction, turn right towards Bellingham, continuing to follow cycle route 68.



Continue for approximately 700 metres until you reach the main road (B6320). Turn right onto the B6320 towards Chollerford and Wark.



After approximately 300 metres, turn right into the Camping and Caravanning Club site at Bellingham.

