

Once Brewed, Roman Vindolanda and Housesteads

Location:

Hadrian's Wall in Northumberland National Park

Directions

● From the Housesteads car park take the broad access path uphill to the Roman Fort and Museum, a visit is highly recommended.

● Follow the tarmac road in a south westerly direction from the old farmhouse down to the B6318 Military Road. Turn right and in only a few yards cross the road (taking care) to take the ladder stile signed for Crindledykes.

● After $\frac{3}{4}$ mile turn right onto a road (it is also the Roman Stanegate).

● Take the second road on the right for Roman Vindolanda. Once again, a visit is highly recommended, otherwise continue on the single track road around the back of the site and back onto the Stanegate.

● Turn right at the junction signed for Once Brewed National Park Visitor Centre. Leaving the centre, cross the B6318 (taking care) at the dog-leg junction signed for Steel Rigg.

● Before reaching Steel Rigg car park join Hadrian's Wall Path via the ladder stile signed for Housesteads.

Conservation tip - November to March when ground conditions are wet use the Roman Military Way between Steel Rigg and Housesteads.

Highlights

- Hadrian's Wall – spectacular section
- Housesteads Roman Fort (English Heritage/National Trust)

- Roman Military Way
- Stanegate Roman Road
- Roman Vindolanda

Nearby attractions

- Once Brewed National Park Visitor Centre
- Brocolitia Fort and the Temple of Mithras
- Cawfield Crags

- Chesters Roman Fort (English Heritage)
- Greenhead village
- Hexham market town
- Roman Army Museum (Carvoran)
- Walltown Crags

Circular walk

Distance

Up to 7½ miles

Estimated walk time

4 to 4½ hours plus
browsing time

Grade

Strenuous
(several steep slopes)

Suggested start/finish

Housesteads Roman Fort
(Grid Ref: NY 797 686)

Tourist information

Once Brewed Information
Centre Tel: 01434 344396

Public transport

AD122 Hadrian's Wall Bus
(between Easter and
October) stops at Once
Brewed Visitor Centre,
Housesteads and Roman
Vindolanda

Ordnance Survey map

Explorer (OL) 43
Hadrian's Wall

Places to eat and drink

Twice Brewed Inn;
refreshment kiosk at
Housesteads carpark;
café at Roman Vindolanda
(site visitors only);
Milecastle Inn

Other walks in this area

Bardon Mill and
Thorngrafton Common.
(Enquire at Tourist
Information Centre)

