

A “barbarian” view of the Wall

Location:

Hadrian's Wall in Northumberland National Park

Directions

● Turn right out of Steel Rigg car park and in a couple of hundred yards bear right along a track signed “footpath to Hotbank 1½ miles”, towards first Peatrigg plantation, then the buildings of Peatrigg and Longside.

● Continue east and soon after crossing a second footbridge take the path signed to the right towards Hotbank farm.

● Emerge onto Hadrian's Wall Path National Trail at the earthwork remains of Milecastle 38. Turn right and follow the National Trail Acorn waymarks back towards Steel Rigg.

Conservation tip - November to March when ground conditions are wet return to Steel Rigg along the footpath signed the Roman Military Way.

Highlights

- The barbarian view of the Wall, from the north
- Hadrian's Wall
- Landscape panoramas
- Sycamore Gap (Robin Hood's tree)
- The Whin Sill

Steel Rigg



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Sycamore Gap



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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
- Housesteads Roman Fort (English Heritage/National Trust)
- Poltross Burn
- Roman Army Museum (Carvoran)
- Roman Vindolanda
- Walltown Crags

Circular walk

Distance

3½ miles

Estimated walk time

2 + hours

Grade

Strenuous
(several steep slopes)

Suggested start/finish

Steel Rigg car park
(Grid Ref: NY 751 677)

Tourist information

Once Brewed Information Centre Tel: 01434 344396

Public transport

AD122 Hadrian's Wall Bus
(between Easter and October)

Ordnance Survey map

Explorer (OL) 43
Hadrian's Wall

Places to eat and drink

Twice Brewed Inn;
Milecastle Inn

Other walks in this area

“A Walk in the Park”.

A selection of ten guided walks. Information from the Once Brewed Information Centre or visit www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk

