

The Bentham Line Self-guided Walks

This leaflet describes one of a diverse collection of twelve walks linking neighbouring stations along the Bentham Line between Heysham Port and Skipton.



Wennington Station

Walk No.	Route	Miles
1	Heysham Port - Morecambe	5.3
2	Lancaster - Morecambe	3.8
3	Morecambe - Bare Lane	2.5
4	Bare Lane - Carnforth	5.6
5	Wennington - Carnforth	11.3
6	Wennington - Bentham	3.9
7	Clapham - Bentham	5.0
8	Clapham - Giggleswick	9.4
9	Giggleswick - Long Preston	5.6
10	Long Preston - Hellifield	3.8
11	Hellifield - Gargrave	7.0
12	Gargrave - Skipton	5.0

Timetable

For train times on the Bentham Line pick up Northern Timetable 7 or the Airedale Metro Timetable, or use the websites below.

Fares and Service Information

National Rail enquiries:

telephone: 08457 48 49 50
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Customer Helpline

Northern comments and enquiries:

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Rail Websites

leedslancastermorecambecrp.co.uk



lasrug.btck.co.uk



northernrailway.co.uk



Tourist Information

Leeds: visitleeds.co.uk
Skipton: skiptononline.co.uk
Bentham: aboutbentham.org.uk
Yorkshire Dales: yorkshiredales.org.uk
Lune Valley, Lancaster and Morecambe: citycoastcountryside.co.uk

Rail to Trail Walk Guide

The Bentham Line

Walk 6 - Wennington to Bentham



The Wenning Oak and Waterfall



Leeds-Lancaster-Morecambe
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Field and riverside

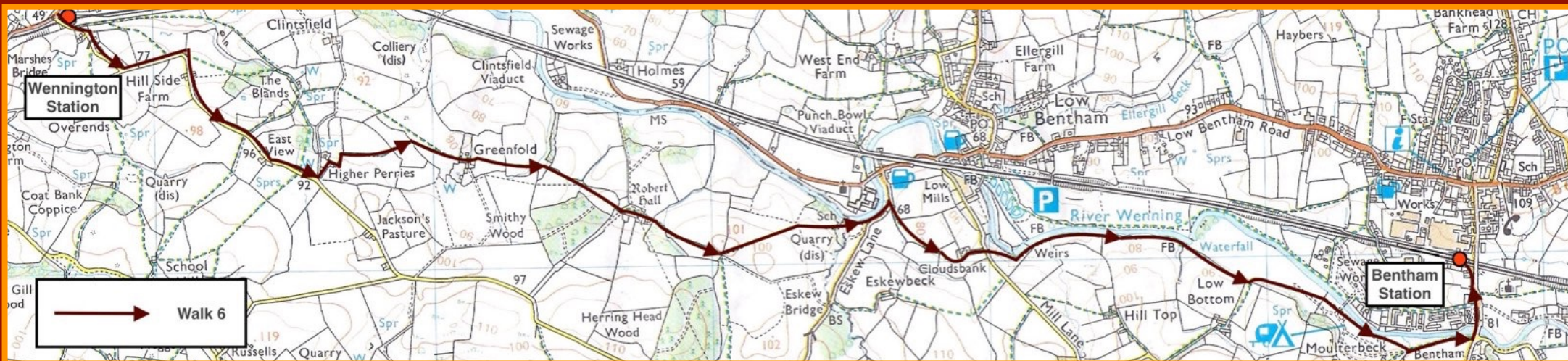
OS Explorer Map, **advised** : OL2

Ancient Routes and Medieval Places

Moderate

3.9 miles

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WENNINGTON TO BENTHAM

Time: 2 hours 20 minutes

Distance: 3.9 miles / 6.3 kilometres

Total ascent: 130 metres

Total descent: 88 metres

Leave station through car park. Turn left out of car park and left again over rail bridge, and follow Old Moor Road up hill. Follow road round to left and see Ingleborough directly ahead in the distance. Continue along this road past tracks to Blands (L) (Google) and East View (R). At footpath sign turn left into Perries Farm drive entrance and follow track down and turn right along grassy area that runs between twin garages (L) and barn (R). Cross stile at end to left, on the left of a big oak tree, and follow the hedge (L) down to the bottom of field. Follow the hedge (L) around to the right at the bottom and keep alongside as it turns left and down to a field gate and a U-shaped concrete stile. Cross stile and veer slightly right, cross field towards a big tree and go through a bridle gate in the hedge.

Turn right and head towards the right side of Greenfold farm buildings. Go through field gate and farm buildings, keeping poly-tunnel on right, and follow track through yard and veer left through bridle gate marked 'FP' (L) into field with new house to right. Veer right after house and cross field to two-step stile, another one on the left of a field gate, and a third one that leads to a footbridge crossing the top of the wooded gully descending to left. Turn up left at the end of the footbridge and follow the path way-markers through the top of the wood to another step stile and a length of protected barbed wire. Cross both into a field and walk beside the hedge (L) towards Robert Hall (Google).

Cross a step-stile and veer right up a grassy track to Robert Hall. Just before a field gate into the garden area, veer left and go through a gap in the hedge, veer left and go through a gate in the left hand corner (Hall to right). Turn right across the grass and turn left along the track and exit the complex. Along this track, come to a cattle grid. Go through the left gate and cross the big field diagonally, heading for the right end of Ingleborough. Descending this field, pass through broken tree line, cross hedge and ditch and veer slight right again to a stile into wood, a short way up from the bottom corner of the field. Cross stile and turn right and follow path down wooden steps through wood to footbridge crossing Eskew Beck just before it flows into the River Wenning (L).

At tarmac road turn left downhill, and turn right over stile at the left gatepost of the second gate on the right. Turn right along hedge and ditch (R), cross two step stiles, and turn left up fence (L) towards Cloudsbank. Go round the right end of the buildings and in front of the house and go down hedge (L) through two field gates to road and footpath sign. Cross road and stile, and go into the wood. Follow the path along the top of the wood and back down to the riverside. View weir (L), before crossing wall stile into next field. Follow riverbank, cross short bridge and second wall stile. Continue along riverbank, view River Wenning waterfall and Wenning Oak (L), before crossing beck and a wall stile. Keep left and follow fence/hedge (L) until it drops sharply into a hollow.

Turn left through a kissing gate and follow the path along the edge of caravan park to the next kissing gate. Turn right down tarmac road and go straight ahead to main building complex. Turn left at Reception (L) and head for bridge. Just before bridge follow public footpath sign to right through hedge, down some flags and a smaller road between homes. Continue straight on at end, just before the road turns right, and cross grass, cross wall stile, veer left and turn right through kissing gate. Veer left and follow path by river. Turn left across footbridge, and turn right along path through wood. Join caravan park entrance road and veer left. Turn left at main road and cross the River Wenning bridge. Continue uphill to Bentham station, shops and services.