



## Hadrian's Wall

7 days/ 6 nights

Follow the national trail of the Hadrian's Wall walking trail. From Newcastle to Carlisle, you will follow the famous route of Roman Britain.

Follow the trail and visit ancient preserved forts from Industrial Newcastle to the north Pennine hills.

### YOUR PROGRAM

#### Day 1 - Newcastle

Arrival in Wallsend (Newcastle upon Tyne).

#### Day 2 - From Wallsend/Newcastle to Heddon-on-the-Wall

This first stage begins by the only remaining piece of the Wall that originally run down from the fort to the Tyne, and which now stands just over the railings outside the fort grounds. A riverside route along the Tyne gives way to predominantly arable farmland above Tynedale. For much of the way, the route follows a disused railway across Newcastle and its outskirts mainly through an urban landscape. However, at the end of the day, you will also get to enjoy glorious countryside and wonderful green fields, covered in colourful wild flowers beside the River Tyne.

Distance: 24km.



#### Day 3 - From Heddon-on-the-Wall to Chollerford

Today's route will take us through open countryside, never far from the side of the road, but mainly on farmland next to the roadside hedge or wall. For most of this stage, you will be trekking in fields alive with livestock and other wilder creatures of the British countryside such as hares, rabbits and a superb variety of bird-life including crows, lapwings, finches, swallows and, on the waters of Whittledene Reservoir, the greatcrested grebe, tufted duck and dunlin. You will start to see more and more archeological findings and evidence of Roman occupation as the day progresses.

Distance: 24km.

#### Day 4 - From Chollerford to Once Brewed

Perhaps the most thrilling day of the entire walk, this stage is to be savoured. It encompasses the best preserved fort on the



Wall, the finest views, the most complete sections of the Wall, the northern most point of the trail and some great walking.

Distance: 19.2km.



#### **Day 5 - From Once Brewed to Gilsland**

While this stage is not as spectacular as the previous one, it is perhaps the most interesting. Today, you will climb to the highest point of the entire trail, and hike from Northumberland to Cumbria. This journey will take place in a spectacular change of scenery, from the windswept moors and crags to the more gentle, rolling, cultivated landscape of England's far North-West. Not to be missed are the remains of a Roman bridge. There are also numerous remains of turrets, forts and mile-castles to be seen along the trail. Quite a stage indeed!

Distance: 14km.

#### **Day 6 - From Gilsland to Carlisle**

This is a pleasant walking trip through colourful fields, in which to enjoy marvellous scenery. Just after Gilsland, the fort of Birdoswald is reached. The route then continues high above the steep sided Irthington Gorge, before beginning a gradual descent at the village of Banks. Agricultural landscapes replace the moorland as the route drops steadily through the villages of Walton and Irthington, before reaching the lovely River Eden and the historic city of Carlisle. If you feel 18 miles is too long, you can exit the trail just before Walton and take the Hadrian's Wall bus to Carlisle. This could allow you more time to enjoy looking around the town.

Distance: 11.2km with bus transfer or 28km.



#### **Day 7 - Your trip ends here**



Your trip ends here, after breakfast.

## Additional information

### TARIFFS

Price from 592 euros per person.

### OPTIONS

Supplement for nights in single bedrooms : 110 euros per person.

### INCLUDED

Accommodation (for two people), breakfasts, local assistance, information package with maps and road-book, luggage transfers.

### NOT INCLUDED

Transport options to the meeting point and from the point of dispersal, insurances, lunches and evening meals.

### LEVEL OF DIFFICULTY

Distances: from 14 and up to 28km a day on easy paths.

### CARRYING

Luggage transfers by vehicle. You only need to take with you what you wish to have available during the walk (wallet, picnic lunch, water, camera etc.).

### ACCOMMODATION

Guesthouses and 3 star hotels (double or twin bedrooms).

### SIZE OF GROUP

From 2.

### DEPARTURES

Every day from the beginning of May to the end of September.

### DEPARTURE

Meet in Wallsend (Newcastle upon Tyne).

### DISPERSION

Carlisle.

### HOW TO GET THERE

Newcastle is accessible by plane or train. Wallsend is also easily accessible. You can take the subway from Newcastle airport or the central train station.

Possible ferry crossing from Amsterdam (DFDS).