

## **Bardon Mill**

Bardon Mill comprises a group of hamlets stretching a mile or so from east to west, extending several miles north beyond Hadrian's Wall and stretching a mile or so south of the railway and the river South Tyne. The village centre lies close to the station where you will find the village green, Bardon Mill Village Store and Tearoom, The Bowes Hotel and the Pottery. Bardon Mill Pottery is the last commercial pottery in Britain licensed to produce salt glazed pottery. Founded in 1878 by Messrs Errington and Reay, the site is rich in heritage and stories from the past. Visitors are welcome to visit the free exhibition and factory shop.

<http://www.erringtonreay.co.uk>

Bardon Mill Village Store and tea Rooms is a family run business selling groceries, local produce and locally made crafts as well as delicious food and hot and cold drinks.

More information and opening hours can be found here

<https://www.facebook.com/pages/category/Tea-Room/Bardon-Mill-Village-Store-and-Tea-Room-595524220472305/>

Between the Village Store and the Pottery can be found the newly refurbished Bowes Hotel providing accommodation, serving local ales and excellent food. Opening hours and more details can be found here

<https://www.theboweshotel.uk/>

A short walk along the road to the west, on the site of the former Bardon Mill Colliery, you will find Redburn Park, a well-equipped play park and the modern, earth capped Bardon Mill and Henshaw Village Hall hosting many classes and events.

<http://www.bardonmill-villagehall.co.uk/>

To the south of the railway, a short walk takes you to a footbridge over the river South Tyne and beyond. To cross the railway, use the level crossing at the eastern end of platform 1. The National Trust site of Allen Banks is a 1.5 mile walk from the station and well worth a visit. Details of the walk can be found here

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/allen-banks-and-staward-gorge/trails/bardon-mill-station-to-allen-banks>

More details about Allen Banks can be found here

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The spectacular central section of the Hadrian's Wall World Heritage Site and the Northumberland National Park lie 4 miles uphill to the north of Bardon Mill. This stretch of the World Heritage Site includes Steel Rigg, Sycamore Gap, Crag Lough, the iconic Housesteads Roman Fort and the highest point on the wall. For more information on Hadrian's Wall Country visit at <https://hadrianswallcountry.co.uk/>

Between Bardon Mill and Hadrian's Wall is Vindolanda, a world-famous Roman Fort. Finds from the ongoing archeological digs at Vindolanda include the remains of letters written by Roman soldiers 1900 years ago and spectacularly preserved wood, leather and metal objects as well as jewellery and pottery. More information on Vindolanda can be found at <https://www.vindolanda.com/>

Just north and west of Vindolanda lies the Sill, National Landscape Discovery Centre and a major centre for learning, research and engagement in the landscape. Operated by the Northumberland National Park Authority, facilities include tourist information, a cafe, youth hostel accommodation, landscape interpretation, exhibitions, a shop selling locally produce gifts and produce and a host of fascinating courses. More information on The Sill can be found at <https://www.thesill.org.uk/> and about visiting the Northumberland National Park can be found at <https://www.northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk/>

Our leaflet detailing walks from Bardon Mill Station is downloadable from

[https://cdn.tvcrp.org.uk/OpenInWinter/Bardon\\_Mill\\_final.pdf](https://cdn.tvcrp.org.uk/OpenInWinter/Bardon_Mill_final.pdf)