Useful information

Refreshments available at:-

Close to Hadrian's Wall

The Sill Open daily 10am to 5pm.

The Twice Brewed Food available everyday 12 noon to 9pm. Tea and coffee available from 9am.

In Bardon Mill close to the western end of the station

Bardon Mill Village Store and Tearoom - open daily 10am to

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The Bowes Hotel - Food available daily 12 noon to 8pm.

Please note that opening times may vary in winter, so please check websites for up-to-date information.

Trains and other public transport

You can check train times to/from Bardon Mill at tvcrp.org.uk.

Depending on where your rail journey starts, it may involve a change of trains at Newcastle, Hexham or Carlisle.

Ticket prices will depend on your journey and whether you have a valid railcard. Check fares online or at your local station or online.

The AD122 bus service calls at Haltwhistle and Hexham Railway Stations, The Sill and various attractions and other destinations along Hadrian's Wall.

Useful websites:

tvcrp.org.uk travel and other useful information about the Tyne Valley Railway area

northernrailway.co.uk train times, buy rail tickets gonortheast.co.uk for AD122 bus times vindolanda.com information about Vindolanda Fort & Museum

thesill.org.uk the National Landscape Discovery Centre, dark skies events, guided walks, various exhibitions or book accommodation at the YHA at The Sill

northumberlandnationalpark.org.uk discover what the Park has to offer

hadranswallcountry.co.uk learn about the World Heritage Site

twicebrewedinn.co.uk eat, drink, stay, Brew House tours & stargazing.

heartofhadrianswall.com local tourism businesses including places to stay

theboweshotel.uk eat, drink and stay

Enjoy a scenic train ride along the Tyne Valley Railway to Bardon Mill, then explore the surrounding countryside with a walk to Roman Vindolanda and The Sill National Landscape Discovery Centre.

The outward walk will take you from the modern day through years of human history back to the landscape, history, culture and heritage of Northumberland.

The return walk offers superb views over the South Tyne Valley with the promise of refreshments at the friendly village store and tearoom or a pint of local ale in the superbly refurbished Bowes Hotel whilst you await your train home.

There are several walking routes from Bardon Mill station and more detail, including downloadable files, can be found at tvcrp.org.uk.

The walking routes within this leaflet are available year round and are suitable for walks during the winter months when some public footpaths are often muddy.

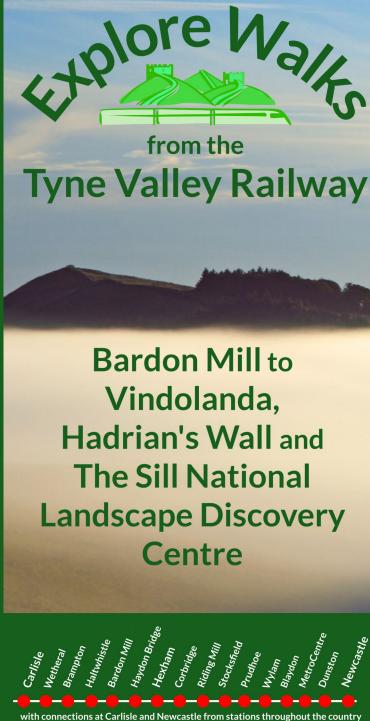
The times given are based on the average walker and make no allowance for pauses to enjoy the view or rest.

You may decide to take a short break to allow you to explore more. Perhaps you would like to stay at the YHA at The Sill, The Bowes Hotel, Twice Brewed, one of the other B&Bs or self-catering accommodation in the area.

There is a daily train service* along the Tyne Valley Railway with connections at Newcastle and Carlisle from stations throughout the country.

We hope you enjoy a visit to the area.





Bardon Mill Station to Vindolanda = = = =

40 mins at average walking speed. Strenuous uphill climb.

Exit the station on the east side and turn left.

Continue ahead crossing the road that goes through the village and up the slope to pass under the main A69 road, passing the football field on your left. Follow the road as it bears left until you reach the T junction. Turn right and head up hill following the road as it bends around fields and cottages.

This is a strenuous section but well worth the effort with superb views both over the valley, over Vindolanda and towards Hadrian's Wall.

Take the first left turn down the hill to Vindolanda. www.vindolanda.com

Vindolanda to the Sill = = = =

35 mins at average walking speed. Some strenuous uphill climbs.

Continue heading west along the road leaving Vindolanda on your left. You will pass Causeway House on your right with a rare heather thatched roof. Built in 1770 and restored and owned by the Landmark Trust it is now a holiday cottage.

At the end of the road turn right and follow the road down, around the bend and up again to The Sill. www.thesill.org.uk

The Sill to Hadrian's Wall (Steel Rigg) = = = =

15 mins at average walking speed. Moderate uphill climb.

Leaving the Sill on your left, cross the main road taking great care as the traffic can be intermittent and fast. Continue ahead and uphill following the road until you reach the car park at Steel Rigg. Walk through the car park and gate and along the path towards Hadrian's Wall and yet more spectacular views.

Reverse the route to return to the Sill.

The Sill to Bardon Mill Station

1 hour at average walking speed. Mainly downhill with a couple of steep uphill sections.

Leaving the Sill on your right, walk along the road as it bends down and up again. Continue on this road, past the turning to Vindolanda, along a straight section which dips and rises again before descending to a T junction where you turn left. Enjoy the views of the Tyne Valley and the North Pennines with Cross Fell in the distance.

Follow the road as it bends and descends to the main A69 road. Take great care crossing this busy road with fast traffic. Continue forward along a very short section of footpath before turning left to walk the final mile through the village to the station.

