

The Dales Way Train & Bus Links

There are good public transport links to many parts of the Dales Way, but some of the bus links are very limited services and some do not run every day, so please plan carefully before you set off. This is a summary of the most useful bus and train services

- check the websites shown for further information.

Places on the Dales Way are shown in green.

Getting to **Ilkley** www.wymetro.com

By Train: From Leeds / Bradford: Northern Rail Route 39 (Daily)

By Bus: From Leeds City Bus Station: First Leeds X84 (Daily)

From Keighley: Keighley Bus Company 62 (Daily)

From Harrogate: Connexions X52 (Monday-Saturday)

From Skipton: First Leeds X84 (Mon-Sat; on Sundays catch DalesBus 873/884)

DalesBus Services www.dalesbus.org

DalesBus 72: Skipton - **Grassington** (Daily)

Minibus 72B: **Grassington** - **Kettlewell** - **Buckden** (Mon-Sat, on Sundays catch DalesBus 874)

DalesBus 74: Wakefield - Bradford - **Ilkley** - **Burnsall** - **Grassington** (Summer Saturdays)

Minibus 74A: **Ilkley** - **Burnsall** - **Grassington** (Mon/Wed/Fri)

DalesBus 874: Wakefield - Leeds - **Ilkley** - **Burnsall** - **Grassington** - **Kettlewell** - **Buckden** (Sun)

Leeds - Settle - Carlisle Railway www.settle-carlisle.co.uk

Leeds - Skipton - Settle - Ribbleshead - **Dent** - Carlisle: Northern Rail Route 7 (Daily)

Cumbria Bus Services www.cumbria.gov.uk/buses

Western Dales minibus S1: **Dent Station** - **Cowgill** - **Dent** - **Sedbergh** - Kendal (Saturdays)

Woofs W1: **Sedbergh** - Kendal (Monday-Friday)

Stagecoach 45: Kendal - **Burneside** (Monday-Saturday)

Getting back from **Bowness** www.traveline.info

By Train: From **Windermere** via **Burneside** and Kendal to Oxenholme, for onward connections on West Coast Main Line: Northern Rail route 6 (Daily)

By Bus: Stagecoach 555 Lancaster - Kendal - **Windermere** - **Bowness** - Ambleside - Grasmere - Keswick (Daily)



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Walk the Dales Way by train and bus

If you don't have a week's holiday available to walk the Dales Way in one go, you can also complete it in day stages (or a couple of long weekends) by train and bus from the Yorkshire area.

Here's a suggested itinerary -
see overleaf for more information on the bus and rail links.

Day 1 - Ilkley to Grassington (16 miles)

Train or bus to Ilkley.

Return by bus to Ilkley (no service Tuesdays/Thursdays/Winter Saturdays) or Skipton.

Day 2 - Grassington to Buckden (12 miles)

Bus from Skipton or Ilkley (no service Tuesdays/Thursdays/Winter Saturdays) to Grassington.

Return by bus from Buckden via Grassington

Day 3 - Buckden to Dent Station (17 miles using Watershed Alternative Route)

Bus from Skipton to Buckden, changing at Grassington

Return by train from Dent.

Possible daily but a strenuous walk on Sundays with less time; the 0830 Skipton to Grassington bus (Mon - Sat) allows a much earlier start.

Day 4 - Dent Station to Sedbergh (10 miles)

Train to Dent

Return by Western Dales Minibus S1 from Sedbergh to Dent Station (Saturday only)

Day 5 - Sedbergh to Burneside (16 miles)

Train to Dent and Western Dales Minibus S1 to Sedbergh (Saturday only)

Return by train from Burneside via Oxenholme and West Coast Main line

Day 6 - Burneside to Bowness (10 miles)

Train to Burneside from Oxenholme on the West Coast Main Line

Return by train from Windermere via Oxenholme and West Coast Main line