



OTLEY, WHARFEDALE – 4TH DECEMBER 2022

Today we have one main coach and a feeder coach. The rendezvous point is COLNE. There will NOT be a comfort stop en route. **Self-guided walkers and day visitors must use the OTLEY official drop-off point.**

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year

Otley Victorian Fayre Leaflets will be handed out when we arrive in OTLEY

ON THE DAY – Please speak to your Couriers Elaine (Burnley) and Lynne (Blackburn) if you require more information or have any questions about OTLEY Victorian Fayre. **REMEMBER THIS IS OUR FESTIVE TRIP SO NO BOOKINGS OR PAYMENTS ARE TAKEN TODAY.**

DROP-OFFS – The FAYRE runs from 12noon-6pm and the whole of the centre of town is closed to traffic. C & D rambles, independent/self-guided walkers and day visitors **will be dropped off in OTLEY AT THE AUCTION MART OFFICIAL COACH PARK. It is a ten-minute walk to the town center. If you cannot manage the ten-minute walk, ask the Couriers (NOT THE DRIVER) to be dropped off at the Boroughgate lights (the official drop off point).** Please see reverse for more information. **Please take everything with you that you will need for the day.**

WALKS INFORMATION FOR OTLEY – On the walks - you must not walk in front of the Leader. There is no requirement for the Leader to call you back if you go ahead on the wrong route! There may be safety instructions which you need to be aware of. The LEADERS pioneer and risk assess each route. They may need to respond to changes on the day and you **MUST** be able to hear their instructions. At the comfort stop please ask the Leaders about their walks so you select the right grade of walk. **'We start our walks together and we finish our walks together please' so everyone is accounted for.**

B Walk Leader: Tony Culverhouse 10 miles Moderate

FIRST OFF– We leave the coach in Ilkley and walk-up Wells Road on to Ilkley Moor (Baht 'at) towards the Millennium Way (there are many Ways and long-distance routes in this area) then we loop around to Burley-in-Wharfedale which is set amongst delightful countryside. From here we make our way to Askwith village which lies north-west of Otley. We then take the final stage of our ramble and make our way to Otley to enjoy the Victorian Fayre.

C Walk Leader: Graham Wrigglesworth 7-8 miles Moderate

We leave Otley on the Pool Road, where we take East Busk Lane to walk on the old railway track towards Pool, leaving the old line we continue to Pool through fields to our lunch stop at Pool. After lunch we leave Pool crossing the Wharf and head up through the fields to Leathley (noted for its Alms houses and church). Following the road back to Leathley bridge, a left turn takes us to the River Wharf which we follow back to Otley passing through Wharf Meadows Park with time to admire Otley's weir before recrossing the Wharf back to Otley town center.

D Walk Leader: Michael Counter 6 miles Moderate

We alight the coach in Otley and using a street route arrive at the disused railway line which is followed for half a mile. We now leave the old line and following field paths to reach Caley New Hall and then it's on to Pool Bank. After crossing the Leeds Road our route now uses the Ebor Way to walk steadily up through Chevin Forest Park. The East Chevin Road is crossed, and we continue gradually to climb towards Surprise View on The Chevin. The views from this point are a panorama of the Wharfedale valley with Otley nestling below. Our final journey is to follow good paths but steep back down into Otley. This walk does involve a steady climb up to the top of The Chevin 925ft, but the route is gradual.

SELF-GUIDED WALKERS –ESSENTIAL – *it is important for safety reasons that independent walkers leave details of your name, names of people in your party, brief route description or map and a contact mobile number with your Coach Courier on the day. We need this information in case of an incident and/or you are not back at the coach by the departure time. You will be given a contact mobile number for use on the day.*

RETURN – **Please be at the coach park for 5:20pm. Please arrive 10 minutes early and be settled in your seats by 5:25pm.** The coach will **leave at 5:30pm prompt. Earlier if everyone is settled in their seats!** PLEASE ALLOW TIME TO WALK BACK TO THE COACH from OTLEY.

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DETAILS WILL BE CONFIRMED ON THE DAY.