

Around Hamsterley to a Bakery

Leave Seaton Burn and head north on Old Great North Road

Turn Left onto Berwick Hill Road to Ponteland

In Ponteland turn left then right onto B6323 Callerton Lane to A69

Head West to A69/A68 roundabout

Take first left on roundabout to A68/A695 roundabout

Take third exit onto A695 towards Hexham

Keep left to Hexham and turn left onto B6307 to junction with B6306

Turn left to Hollybush Sawmill and coffee shop. (Sidestand buddies recommended and if wet weather entrance will be muddy so park single file on road) 26mls 45mins

Restart south along B6306 towards Slaley

Turn left through Slaley Village to Minsteracres entrance

Turn right towards Derwent Reservoir

Continue past the reservoir to rejoin B6306

Turn right towards Blanchland

Just before Blanchland turn left past Allenshields Farm

Turn left and head south to B6278 then turn left and first right towards Castleside

Bear right at Healeyfield to Rowley then straight across A68 to B6296 5 lane ends

Turn right onto B6296 through Satley to High Stoop

Turn right on A68 immediate left to Wolsingham

In Wolsingham turn right then first left signposted Hamsterley

Carry on through Bedburn to Hamsterley Village

In village turn right go past Hamsterley Forest to Woodland then turn right onto B6282

At junction with B6278 turn right towards Eggleston then after 0.5ml turn left then right into Eggleston Hall and Gardens for lunch 52mls 1hr 30mins

Restart

Leave Eggleston Hall and turn left out of gates back to B6278 and turn right then third left onto B6279 signposted Staindrop

After 2ml turn right at Kinninvie x-roads then take first left past caravan site signposted Stainton

Straight over New Broomielaw x-roads (give way)

Turn right at far end of Stainton village

Turn right on A688 to Barnard Castle for fuel. 20mins 8mls (86mls total)

At roundabout turn right towards Barnard Castle centre then turn right onto B6278 back to Eggleston then bear right to Stanhope

At junc with A689 turn left to Eastgate then turn right at The Cross Keys PH through Rookhope to Allenheads

Straight over B6295 into Allenheads Village Centre

Go past Allenheads Lodge and turn left onto unclassified road towards Nenthead (caution over cattle grid after about 1ml)

After 3.5mls turn right to Allendale Town.

In Allendale go straight over 5 lane junction onto B6295

After 0.3mls turn right to Allendale Bakery for coffee stop 42mls 1hr 10mins
(Optional finish point here if people wish to extend their visit)

Restart

Turn right out of bakery to B6303 towards Catton

In Catton Village bear left to A686.

Turn right onto A686, past Langley Castle to A69 (Caution, a lot of tree debris after winds)

Turn right onto A69 to A69/A68 roundabout to finish at Brockbushes 20mls 25mins

Total mileage 148.