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## **Places to Picnic in Ryedale**

### **Helmsley Area**

Helmsley Castle, to the rear of Cleveland Way long-stay car-park, 2 minutes from town centre. English Heritage property, with admission charge and fixed opening hours. A grassy site, well away from traffic. Dogs allowed on lead only.

Carlton Road, Helmsley. 3 miles north of the town. Take Pickering Road from Market Square; turn left at end of town. Grid reference 612889

Newgate Bank, 5 miles north of Helmsley. Follow B1257 towards Stokesley. Turn right into woodland at top of hill, 5 miles from town. Grassy/woodland area with footpaths leading out onto open moorland and good views across Bilsdale. Grid reference 568898.

Hazel Heads, off Hawnby-Osmotherley Road. A sloping, grassy site with picnic tables. Beside narrow, moorland road. Woodland and stream. Take B1257 from Helmsley towards Stokesley. 4 miles, turn left to Hawnby. Turn right in village for road over moors to Osmotherley. Grid reference 529929.

White Horse Bank, near Kilburn. Car-Park, beside famous 'White Horse'. Hill surrounds with tracks around White Horse and up to Sutton Bank. Grid Reference 514807.

Sutton Bank. National Park Visitor Centre with cafeteria, information and sales. Picnic tables, and walks along clifftop footpaths for views across Vale of York. Good spot for watching gliders. Follow A170 from Helmsley towards Thirsk – 6 miles. Grid Reference 515830.

Chop Gate on B1257 towards Stokesley. 9 miles. Grid reference 559995.

Loskey Beck, near Hutton le Hole. Rocky stream and grassy site on the edge of open moorland. Turn in centre of Hutton village, up past the car-park, round sharp bend. Turn left towards Rosedale Abbey.  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile, park after narrow bridge. Grid reference 712912. The road continues to Rosedale Abbey, via Chimney Bank, a 1:3 hill down.

## **Pickering Area**

Dalby Forest. On east side of Pickering, stretching up into the national park. Toll Road through the North Riding Forest Park, with play areas, picnic sites, public lavatories, waymarked walks. Visitor Centre (seasonal) at Low Dalby. Follow A170 from Pickering towards Scarborough. 2  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles, turn left in Thornton le Dale, then right after 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles into forest drive.

Saltergate. Moorland and grassy areas beside A170 Whitby road, 9 miles north of Pickering. Free car-park. Popular area for walking, (National Park Waymarked Walks nos 32 & 33, and walk to National Trust 'Bridestones' Moor. with spectacular views into Hole of Horcum and across moors. Grid reference 853957.

Lowna, near Gillamoor. On the edge of moorland, with footpaths into Farndale Nature Reserve. Drive west from Pickering on 170. 6 miles, turn right, up through Hutton le Hole. Drive straight through village, after  $\frac{3}{4}$  mile, turn left. Park at bottom of hill before cattle grid, or drive over bridge to car-park (100 yards). Grid reference 685911.

Cawthorne Camps, near Cropton. In Pickering, turn at traffic lights to go past station and continue through Newton upon Rawcliffe (4 miles). Drive towards Cropton for 2 $\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Cawthorne Camps signposted to right. An open, grassy and heather site, surrounded by natural woodland, with remaining earthworks from Roman training camps. Guide book available in the TICs. Grid reference 782894.

Hutton Common. From A170, 1 mile east of Kirkbymoorside, turn up towards Hutton le Hole. 1  $\frac{1}{2}$  miles. Pull off road onto grassy area. Views down into Douthwaite Dale. Grid reference 708882.

**Please take care not to leave valuables in cars, wherever parked  
Better Safe than Sorry!**