



Amid picturesque villages and a soul-soothing countryside, lies a hidden gem at the official Centre of the Kingdom. With so much to offer, Ribble Valley really is somewhere rather special.

njoy a leisurely stroll by the riverside or even take an adventurous hike across the beautiful Bowland fells; Ribble Valley is the perfect location for those who love the great outdoors but also enjoy warm and

Also known as the food heaven capital of the North, Ribble Valley offers a selection of fabulous foods at beautifully unique and memorable restaurants, along with an array of fun-loving wine bars to suit all tastes, dotted around the region

With high-dining options, from Michelin-starred chefs to family-friendly restaurants serving authentic dishes from around the world, you can enjoy high-quality and home-grown produce, at a venue of your choice.

Not only is there a large variety of food options to enjoy, but plenty of quality accommodation is available which will ensure your stay in Ribble Valley is a treasured and unforgettable experience.

From glamping, camping, cosy cottages and luxurious lodges, to magnificent Tudor manors and beautiful B&Bs, Ribble Valley offers outstanding accommodation to suit everyone.

Whether you are planning a romantic getaway, a family trip or visiting with friends, there is so much for you to love in Ribble Valley

Discover heritage sites, such as the famous 14th century Whalley Abbey, the ancient Clitheroe Castle and many medieval churches.

And not to forget popular art, music and food festivals, which are certainly not to be missed!

You may also be aware that if you do fall in love with Ribble Valley, you will be in the very best company; the Queen told her biographer that she and Prince Philip yearn to retire to the area, one day in the future.



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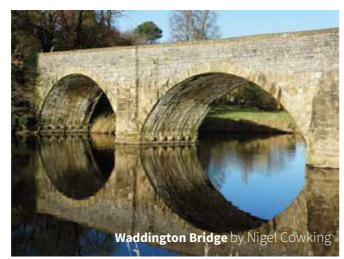
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VALLEY

Ribble Valley is a place that is brimming with natural beauty and fascinating history. With so much going on here, this is the perfect place for wonderful photo opportunities. From shots of the countryside, wildlife, events or of the quaint picturesque villages, you will be sure to capture some truly remarkable shots of this fascinating place.

We love to admire the beauty that lies within the Ribble Valley, so we decided to organise a photography competition via Facebook. The competition allowed people to send us their own personal photos of the Ribble Valley and show off their wonderful photography skills. We received many truly outstanding photographs and the winning 15 images are displayed throughout this guide (look out for). We posted our top 15 images on Facebook and the one that received the most 'Likes' was



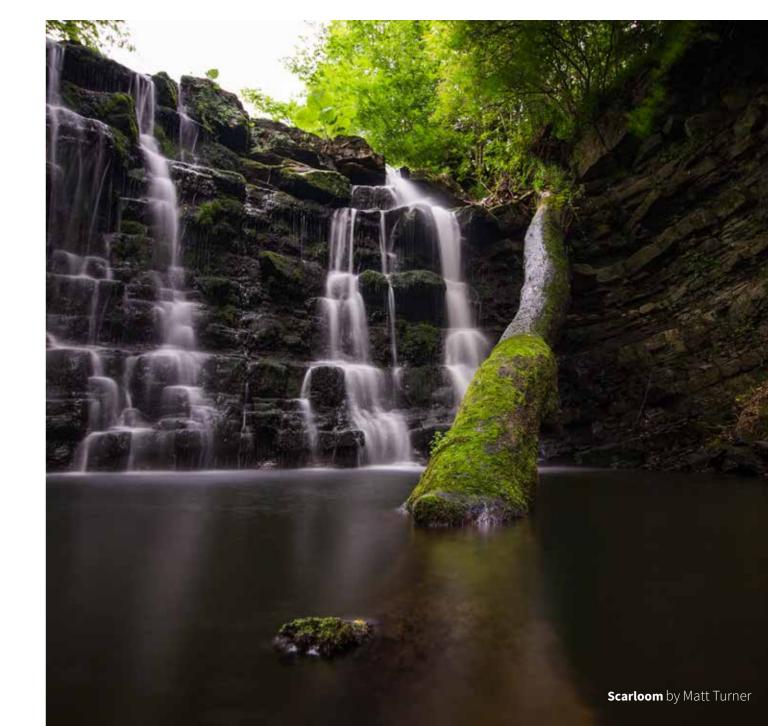
the overall winner. Zoie Carter-Ingham was this year's overall winner, with her amazing shot of the Red Arrows flying high over Clitheroe Castle and received her prize from Holmes Mill.

As this competition turned out to be a huge success, we would love to repeat it again for next year's guide. So, if you would be interested in taking part, head to our Facebook page 'Love Ribble Valley' and send us your photographs of Ribble Valley!

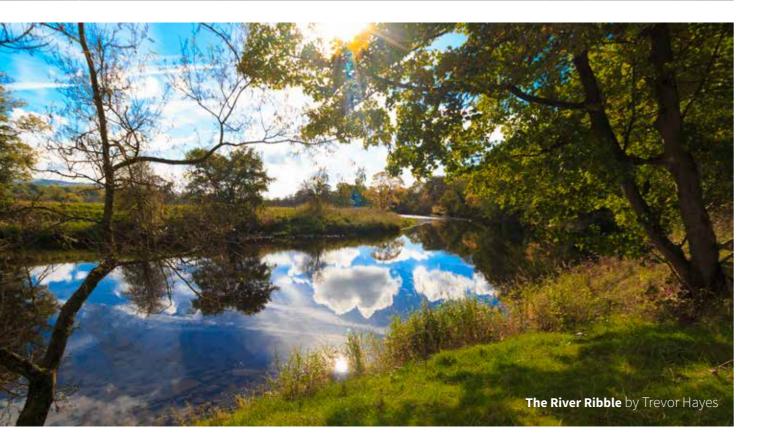


Our Facebook page 'Love Ribble Valley' is a celebration of all that is Our Facebook page 'Love Kiddley is a ecceptation of this area. Here, you will find out about local events, special offers and unique experiences in Ribble Valley.





Winter Scene by Margaret Mortimer





What's On 2018

Join in with our rolling calendar of events and make unforgettable memories, all year round!
See, do and taste all that's on offer in the Ribble Valley, with our exciting events programme.



What's On 2018 What's On 2018

January

Obsession at Northcote



To celebrate 18 years of gastronomy at Northcote, 21 world class chefs – with 16 Michelin stars between them – will be cooking up some culinary delights at the hotel.

When 18th Jan - 4th Feb www.northcote.com/obsession

Where Northcote, Langho

March

March Steam Punk Festival



Celebrate all things Steam Punk at Holmes Mill; Clitheroe's industrial re-development of the former Mill

Where Holmes Mill, Clitheroe When 3rd - 4th March www.holmesmill.co.uk

Ribble Valley Music Festival Opening Event



A major festival showcasing some of the area's talented musicians, with a reputation for high standards and excellent value for money.

Where St Mary's Centre, Clitheroe When 10th March www.rvarts.co.uk/ribblevalleymusicfestival

Artwalk Clitheroe



Indulge yourself in a day of art with a stroll around the town's hub of galleries.

Where Various galleries in Clitheroe When 25th March

www.rvarts.co.uk/artwalk-clitheroe

May

Ribble Valley Jazz Festival

To celebrate the event's ninth year, Clare Teal Trio are headlining at The Grand, with their eclectic song list offering swing to sublime ballads.

Where Clitheroe When 3rd - 7th May www.rvjazzandblues.co.uk

Holmes Mill Gin Festival



Celebrate what is becoming the world's favourite alcoholic drink - relax and unwind with a wide variety of gins in this tastefully regenerated Mill.

Where Holmes Mill, Clitheroe When 11th-12th May www.holmesmill.co.uk

Chipping Steam Fair



This three-day event certainly offers something for the whole family, still with the traditional values of a steam fair at its heart.

Where Green Lane Showground, Chipping When 26th - 28th May www.chippingsteamfair.com

June

Ribble Valley Wedding Show



Held in the world-renowned grounds of Stonyhurst College, this renowned wedding event features many of the area's leading wedding suppliers and stunning venues.

Where Stonyhurst, Clitheroe When 3rd June www.ribblevalleyweddingheaven.com

Longridge Field Day



Fancy dress, decorated houses, shops and floats make for a great community festival, come and celebrate all that Longridge has to offer.

Where Longridge When 9th June www.facebook.com/longridgefieldday

The Ribble Valley Ride



This popular sportive offers its cyclists a choice of 25, 60 or 100-mile routes - all through the stunning Ribble Valley countryside.

Where Across the Ribble Valley When 10th June www.ribblevalleyride.org

Art At The Inn



The stunning location is a perfect setting for this charity art spectacular. Over 40 professional artists painting and displaying art enthused by the Whitewell countryside. Exhibitions follow in July.

Where The Inn At Whitewell When 12th June www.ArtAtTheInn.org

Middle Earth Beer & Music Festival



The Ale House Clitheroe presents this great event. The vast beer selection, fantastic live music, local food and the stunning location allow for a wonderful atmosphere.

Where Waddow Hall, Clitheroe When 15th - 17th June www.middleearthbeerfestival.co.uk

July

Goosnargh & Longridge **Agricultural Show**



This true country show ensures entertainment for the whole day. From cattle competitions through to band performances and children's activities, this agricultural show will delight the entire family.

Where Lower Lane, Longridge When 7th July www.glashow.org.uk

Ribchester Roman Festival



The atmosphere will be heightened by award winning re-enactment societies, who will once again mount and perform battle displays, taking you back to the Roman era.

Where Ribchester Roman Museum When 7th-8th July

www.ribchesterromanmuseum.org

Beat-Herder Festival



The annual summer music festival returns, this year combining the outdoors with technology and providing you with an unforgettable experience.

Where Sawley When 13th - 15th July www.beatherder.co.uk



Now in its third year, this competitive art event will see artists producing striking pieces to claim the winning title. There will be a variety of fringe events throughout the 'Create' festival.

Where 3 mile radius of Longridge When 14th - 21st July www.createlongridge.co.uk

Ribfest

Ribfest is an annual week-long event showcasing local talent, all kinds of music and performing arts in the beautiful Ribble Valley village of Ribchester. Come and attend lively gigs, formal music concerts, theatre performances, interesting talks and other family events.

When 16th - 22nd July www.ribfest.co.uk

Downham Hall Open Gardens



Downham Hall opens its gardens to the public There will be musical entertainment, a multitude of stalls and attractions, children's activities and local crafts

Where Downham Hall When 16th -22nd July 2018

Royal Lancashire Show



The traditional equestrian and outdoor pursuits show has a number of new features this year - including the Children's Village - which will certainly be a brilliant family day out.

Where Salesbury Hall, Ribchester When 20th - 22nd July www.royallancashireshow.co.uk

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August

Last Night of the Proms



This free to attend event is a great night, celebrating the best of classical music, all set in the stunning grounds of Clitheroe's greatest landmark.

Where Clitheroe Castle Grounds, Clitheroe When 4th August

www.visitribblevalley.co.uk/events/lastnight-of-the-proms/

Clitheroe Food Festival



An annual showcase of the hard work and commitment from local food and drink suppliers, and their fantastic produce. The town centre is taken over by an array of culinary stalls – all offering tasteful delights.

Where Various locations in Clitheroe When 11th August

www.clitheroefoodfestival.com

Stonyhurst College & Gardens Open Afternoons



Guided tours of the college will give visitors the opportunity to see the many historic features of the building, as well as the beautifully manicured gardens.

Where Stonyhurst, Clitheroe
When 12th - 19th August
www.visitribblevalley.co.uk/events/

stonyhurst-college-open-afternoons

Chipping Agricultural Show



Something for all the family! The main ring events, food and drink stalls and children's entertainment celebrate all aspects of rural life.

Where Chipping, Clitheroe When 25th August www.chippingshow.co.uk

September

Heritage Open Days



From Clitheroe's landmark Castle Museum to the breathtaking Whalley Abbey, come together and celebrate the wonderful history made here in the Ribble Valley.

Where Various locations in the Ribble Valley
When 13th - 16th September
www.heritageopendays.org.uk

Ribble Valley Mod Weekender



This annual event combines live music extravaganzas, scooters of all kinds and like-minded people.

Where Various venues in Clitheroe
When 21st - 23rd September

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October

Holmes Mill Octoberfest



The famous Bavarian Stompers set the scene with live music, whilst the Beer Hall is ignited with German ales

Where Holmesmill, Clitheroe
When 5th October

www.holmesmill.co.uk



Therese James

A solo painting exhibition, showcasing many pieces of Therese James' stunning work. Her compulsion to recreate what she sees and feels allows her paintings to show off beauty and elegance at its finest.

Where Art Décor Gallery, Whalley
When 8th - 27th October

www.artdecorgallery.co.uk

DISCOVER MORE

This is just a selection of the amazing range of events. To find out more information visit www.visitribblevalley.co.uk/events.

Further details available through:

Clitheroe Visitor Information Centre, Platform Gallery, Station Road, Clitheroe BB7 2JT

t: **01200 425566**

e: tourism@ribblevalley.gov.uk.

To find out about more events in Lancashire go to visitlancashire.com

ALL YEAR ROUND



Festival Bowland

A year round calendar of events celebrating the bird, wildlife, landscap and culture of the Forest of Bowland.

www.forestofbowland.com



Higher Trapp Hotel, Simonstone.

A programme of entertainment throughout the year including party nights, murder mystery and themed events.

www.lavenderhotels.co.uk



Ribble Valley Jazz & Blues

Extensive programme of gigs, events and concerts throughout the year.

www.rvjazzandblues.co.uk



Ribble Valley Music Festival

A major festival showcasing some of the area's talented musicians, with a reputation for high standards and excellent value for money.

www.rvarts.co.uk/ ribblevalleymusicfestival



Spot-on Rural Touring

An extensive programme promoting professional theatre, dance, music and children's shows in Ribble Valley villages. Events held throughout the year.

www.spotonlancashire.co.uk



Spread Eagle Inn, Sawley

Events are held throughout the year, including film club, reading group, Ladies Who Lunch, live music and much more.

www.spreadeaglesawley.co.uk



Clitheroe Concerts Society

Providing a programme of chamber music, comprosed from 1600 to the present day.

www.clitheroeconcerts.org



Find out more at > rvjazzandblues.co.uk



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Green Lane Showground, Chipping, Lancs, PR3 2TQ. Tel. 01995 61866

WWW.chippingsteamfair.com

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Saturday 11th August 2018 | 9.00am - 5.00pm



CLITHEROE FOOD FESTIVAL

FREE FOR ALL THE FAMILY

An annual showcase of the hard work and dedication of local food and drink producers, and their fabulous produce.

Expect glorious, quality Lancashire produce, inspirational chefs, exciting culinary activities for all the family and great music from the area. A huge array of wonderful foods, from organic meat and dairy produce made from traditional Lancashire breeds to handmade pies and pastries and a feast of fruit and vegetables packed with authentic, home-grown flavours.

This event offers an opportunity to experience local artisan produce – such as craft ales, ciders and spirits – as well as cuisine from much further afield at authentic street food stands.

The festival, run in partnership with Ribble Valley Borough Council and the kind sponsorship of many local businesses, has been listed in the Top Ten UK Food Festivals by Eventbrite. The town centre is taken over by food and drink stalls, run by businesses handpicked from across the county, sampling and selling their wares with demonstrations and food related entertainment. The streets are abuzz with live music, street food, tastings and talks, as well as funfairs and children's entertainment in the Castle grounds. The streets of Clitheroe are alive with summer festival fever; come and celebrate Lancashire's culinary excellence.





THE PERFECT COUNTRY INN, IN THE PERFECT COUNTRY VILLAGE

Originally a 17th Century inn set in the picturesque village of Hurst Green, the Shireburn Arms is the perfect country inn in the perfect country setting.

Whether you choose to meet here for a morning coffee before setting off on one of the many walks the area has to offer, join us for lunch, an evening meal or stay overnight our doors are open, the gardens looks amazing, yes even in winter, and we look forward to welcoming you in!

There are a number of walks from our doorstep, the most famous of which is the 5 1/2 mile Tolkien Trail which meanders along the banks of both rivers before returning to the village via the opulent surroundings of Stonyhurst College, where the renowned author spent many months during the Second World War.

 After a bracing day in the clean, fresh valley air, what better place to return to than the Shireburn Arms, where weary walkers can refuel, rehydrate and recuperate in one of the plush armchairs in front of the fire. Overnight guests can enjoy our cosy and comfortable bedrooms, a relaxing dinner and a hearty Lancashire breakfast the following morning, perfect fuel for the day ahead!





REWS



Much more than one of the longest bars in UK

The first part of the Holmes Mill development, the Bowland Beer Hall, is now a well-established visitor attraction, with 42 hand pulls and at least 24 new cask ales on offer. 2017 was a very successful year for Holmes Mill, seeing the opening of a new food hall which appeals to those aficionados of Lancashire's finest food and drink produce. A new Bistro, Bar & Grill, a piece of culinary heaven in the centre of Clitheroe also opened.

And not only this but the first phase of the recently-opened Spinning Block Hotel has begun! The 38-bedroomed complex combines traditional with contemporary décor.

From wedding fairs, to comedy nights, to Motown extravaganzas, 2018 is also set to be a busy year for the ever-expanding Holmes Mill. Over the spring, keep an eye out for the monthly jazz sessions hosted in conjunction with Ribble Valley Jazz & Blues.

Waddow Hall never fails to wow

2017 was a successful year for business at Waddow Hall thanks to its outdoor activities and much more; from bushcraft and kayaking, to afternoon tea and formal dining.

Whether you wish to organise a birthday celebration or simply stay overnight in the open country, the 17th century manor house provides the perfect backdrop.

The indoor accommodation comprises private en-suite rooms, and self-contained cottages and lodges, while the five sizeable campsites accommodate for lovers of the outdoors





Handmade candle sales soar online

Established in 2000, Melt's initial range of scented candles and reed diffusers has expanded over the years to encompass luxury skincare and exquisite fragrances.

Sales increased significantly in 2017 thanks to the company's extensive website which offers next day delivery and discounts as well as an array of gift boxes and vouchers.

The company, which strives to source materials locally, also boasts an online blog providing seasonal tips on fragrances, interior design, relaxation and much more.

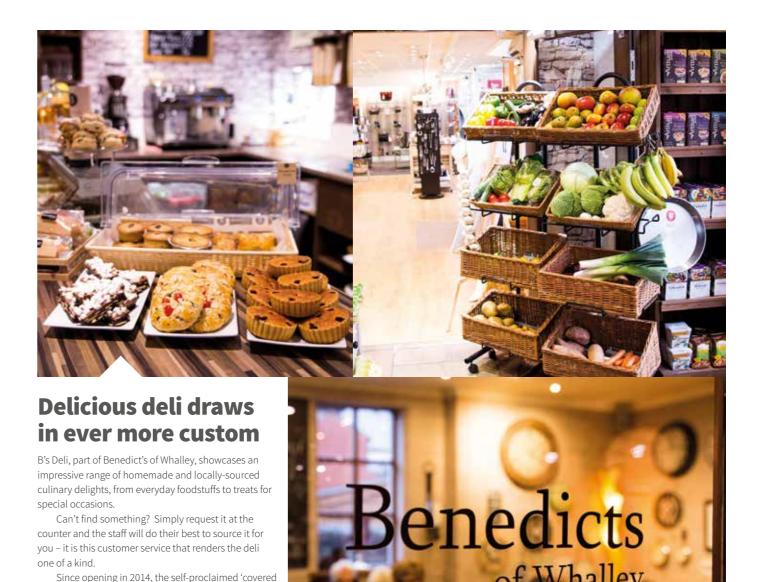


Stylish glamping in yurts and pods

The picturesque Red Pump Inn has brought glamour to the Forest of Bowland: envisage overnight stays in a luxurious outside yurt equipped with wood-burning stove, en-suite bathroom and fully-functioning electricity.

Each room is individually decorated with an element of French elegance, ensuring a uniquely indulgent experience.

Enjoy a full breakfast at the adjacent Red Pump Inn, which also offers quality food and beverages at the Steak House Restaurant and Bar





farmers market' has continued to impress both local

customers and foodies from further afield, adding gift

wrapping and hampers to its repertoire

Down-to-earth, dogfriendly place for drinks

The Aspinall Arms' monthly pub walks have proven extremely popular, providing complementary refreshments and nibbles to both humans and their four-legged friends.

The Mitton-based pub prides itself in its warm welcome to canines, allowing them to curl up in a cosy corner as if they were at home.

Walkers, cyclists and foodies alike flock to the gastropub all year round to enjoy an ever-changing menu of dishes comprising not only British culinary classics, but also exotic cuisine from around the world.



Treat yourself to a change of scenery

The hidden gem Wolfen Mill constitutes the ideal rural getaway: luxury self-catering and pet-friendly cottages located in the heart of the Forest of Bowland.

Escape the daily grind and immerse yourself in the surrounding nature, from admiring summer sunsets to long winter walks to local villages such as Slaidburn and Whitewell.

Wolfen Mill also caters for small-scale weddings, affording couples the opportunity to celebrate their harmony in a private and picture-perfect rural haven.

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AWAIN WINNING The Best of Ribble Valley

Ribble Valley's tourism businesses are amongst the best around and here we celebrate just a few of the award-winning achievers from the past year.

A very warm welcome from Whalley retailer

The Lancashire Tourism Awards granted the "Retail Experience Award" to Whalley Warm & Dry in 2017.

As a village-based outdoor clothing and footwear supplier, the company strives to provide the most informative and helpful customer service possible.

A visit to the Whalley outlet will confirm their philosophy of providing not only warm clothing, but a warm welcome too!



Tip-top dining in Wiswell gastropub

The Freemasons at Wiswell has been awarded the prestigious accolade of AA Restaurant of the Year, confirming the pub's excellence in the areas of hospitality, cuisine and innovation.

Over the past decade, Chef Owner Steve Smith and his team have established the gastropub as one of the best places for dining in the county and the nation as a whole.

The Freemasons' prospects for this year are promising, given the addition of four bedrooms for overnight stays in its quaint village setting.



Drinks all round in the Derby Arms

The National Pub & Bar Awards have deemed the Derby Arms the best pub in Lancashire.

As part of the ever-expanding Seafood Pub Company, the Longridge drinkery will go on to compete against establishments both in the North West and, if successful, in the UK as a whole.

Matt Ward, general manager of the Derby Arms has said "We have a fantastic team here at the Derby who work really hard to ensure our customers have a fantastic experience every time."



Three-time winner at Tourism Awards

Browsholme Hall was nominated for (and won!) three prizes at the 2017 Lancashire Tourism Awards: the best Wedding Venue, Sustainable Tourism, and Inclusive Tourism.

The sumptuous 16th century home and gardens are set in the scenic countryside of Cow Ark, near Clitheroe, which provides the ideal backdrop for a Ribble Valley wedding.

In addition to this, the management has firmly committed to sustainable practices in its dealings with energy, economy, environment and the local community.



The best spa in the North West

At the Good Spa Guide Awards 2017, Stanley House Hotel and Spa was declared the Best Spa in the North West.

Over the course of five years, the Mellorbased establishment has undergone a renovation process culminating in a multiple award-winning experience with internationallyrecognised esteem.

The 2017 award was granted following a secret visit from 'spa spies' who assessed Stanley House's level of excellence in treatments, food, customer service and maintenance.

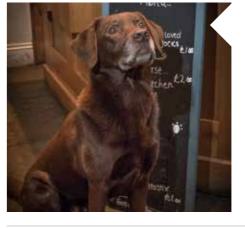


Prestigious hotel gains national praise

Northcote Hotel was named the national Hotel of the Year at the VisitEngland Awards 2017.

Managing Director Craig Bancroft commented: "Northcote's aim is always to be an oasis of food and wine excellence with outstanding and genuine hospitality. Winning this award endorses the spirit of that goal." The Langho-based hotel gained national prominence following its recognition as Hotel of the Year at the Lancashire Tourism Awards in 2016.

And more news from Northcote is that Lisa Goodwin-Allen became Executive Head Chef at Northcote, having taken the reins from Nigel Haworth who has stepped back to take up an ambassadorial role. Lisa became Head Chef in 2015 having worked at Northcote since 2001 when she was just 23 and has helped to maintain the restaurant's Michelin Star which it has held for over 20 years.



Best cosy catering for local canines

The Lancashire Tourism Awards saw the Spread Eagle win the title of Best Dog Friendly Venue.

Providing the perfect welcome for man's best friend, the Sawley-based inn offers a special dog menu with drinks crafted for canines and dog-friendly bedrooms.

The Spread Eagle's website displays a photograph of the 'glamorous team' as they proudly collect their trophy at the Blackpool Tower Ballroom.

National homage to delightful flower display

Holden Clough Nursery gained increased recognition last year on winning the Best Exhibit Award in the Floral Marquee at the RHS Flower Show. Established in 1927, the nursery boasts beautiful gardens, a farm shop and tea room – all located in the beautiful AONB of the Forest of Bowland. Competition judge Carol Klein dubbed Holden Clough's 2017 display as one of the best she had ever seen, which stands the nursery in good stead for the forthcoming summer.





Pottery-based cafe is worth a peek

Against fierce competition throughout the county, Potters Barn was declared the best Café/Tearoom in Lancashire at the 2017 Tourism Awards.

Situated in the Roman village of Ribchester, the café has much to offer: wholesome homemade food, pottery painting opportunities, and a quirky gift shop.

The establishment has an admirable ethos, endorsing Fairtrade, locally-sourced and organic products where possible, as well as striving to reduce its carbon footprint.

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Clitheroe

CLITHEROE IS A VIBRANT TOWN WITH A BUSTLING HIGH STREET,
A TRADITIONAL MARKET AND SIDE STREETS FULL OF CHARACTER,
REVEALING INDEPENDENT SHOPS, GALLERIES AND EATERIES.

Crowning the town from an elevated position is Clitheroe castle, with its ancient Norman keep and modern family-friendly museum, set in 16 acres of surrounding grounds providing a panoramic view of the valley. Whether you enjoy browsing the shops, arts and culture, delving into history or love fantastic food then Clitheroe is most definitely a place for your 'must visit' list.

Clitheroe excels in providing a high-quality, super- stylish and truly independent shopping experience. If it is fashion, shoes and accessories you are looking for, the town hosts a range of boutiques selling designer brands for men, women and children. There is also an extensive selection of country wear labels available. Independent shops showcase some exquisite items for the home such as locally made candles and hand-woven throws.

Maxwell's is a

longstanding favourite stop off point for shoppers and visitors to the town, Manager Sarah Dawson said 'Being open all day and in such a great location means we are popular with visitors who can come for breakfast, lunch or a quick coffee on the go.' Sarah added 'By night we offer a range of evening meals complemented by a variety of beers, fine wines, sprits and cocktails. We even have a roof top terrace for those fine summer evenings'.

Walking through Clitheroe you are sure to pick up the aroma of freshly ground coffee which emanates from the delightful **Exchange Coffee**, a traditional tea and coffee shop which, to visit, is like taking a step back into a golden era. Here you can choose from a vast array of teas and coffees, as well as enjoy a tasty snack or sumptuous meal.

The Atrium, located beside the castle, also offers a range of delicious food, and is a great place to stop off whilst exploring the castle.

There is an array of bars in Clitheroe, serving







fine wines, locally brewed beers and deliciously cool cocktails. One of the most exciting venues is **Holmes Mill**, a food, drink and leisure hub which has transformed a former textile mill. Home to **Bowland Beer Hall** with one of the longest bars in Britain, the venue incorporates a pub, brewery, gelato parlour and patisserie café with an in-house bakery serving sit-in or takeaway cakes.

For a great family food venue, you will find the nearby **Emporium** situated across three floors. Housed in an old Methodist Chapel and lavishly converted to create three huge floors of eating, drinking and shopping - Parisian café culture meets relaxed dining, and an elegant shopping experience. Clitheroe has an eatery to tempt every taste bud from fine dining to authentic Italian and traditional American.

Clitheroe is also home to an early medieval castle which has been lovingly preserved. The site has been developed into a fabulous family hub of history with an interactive museum and all-year-round events. You will also find a creative outdoor play zone for children, and Lancashire's only labyrinth, which is set within the castle's splendid surrounding grounds.

One of the many major events of the summer is the **Clitheroe Food Festival**, a free family day which showcases the finest of Lancashire's food producers and operators. And for music fans **The Ribble Valley Jazz and Blues Festival** is another superb date for your diary, now one of Lancashire's best-established musical extravaganzas. Two more events of great interest are the annual Mods gathering, which creates a vibrant atmosphere in the town, and the Ribble Valley beer festival, a celebration of local ales.

For a marvellous mix of live entertainment and the arts, take a look at The Grand. Since opening its doors early in 2008, the venue has gradually become one of the North West's best loved mid-sized live music and arts venues, with a vibrant and varied programme of events.

If outdoors and picnics are your thing you are never far from open countryside in Clitheroe. Edisford Bridge boasts one of the prettiest riverside spots in the area, with tables, a miniature steam railway, children's swings and slides, an ice cream van and plenty of clear, fresh water in which to paddle. There is something here to keep everyone happy on what is often described as Clitheroe's very own beach.

Special Places

Holmes Mill Clitheroe Castle Platform Gallery Edisford Bridge

Special Dates

Food Festival - 11th August Jazz Festival - 3rd - 7th May Mod Weekends - 21st - 23rd September



HOLMES MILL CLITHEROE









Head to Clitheroe to discover a stunning new shopping and leisure destination combining urban sophistication with small town charm and rural relaxation.

Big enough to occupy a full day, but small enough to explore on foot direct from the station, Clitheroe really is one of the most enchanting little towns in Lancashire.

And now there's an exciting new venue that makes a trip to Clitheroe an even more enticing prospect.

Located in a lovingly restored listed building in the heart of town, Holmes Mill is rapidly establishing a reputation as a 'must-visit' destination across the northwest and even further afield.

Driven by a commitment to showcasing the best of local food and drink in an inspiring setting, the renaissance of this local landmark honours Lancashire's rich industrial heritage and fine culinary traditions.

By making features of the historic machinery and preserving the rich textures of the original building, the mill makes a fascinating backdrop for a unique shopping, dining and leisure experience.

With a cosy café selling home-made cakes and pastries, an elegant modern British bistro, some of the best fresh local produce available anywhere in the county and the longest bar in Britain, the most difficult decision for visitors is choosing which of these amazing venues they'll visit first.

Clitheroe has a growing reputation as one of Lancashire's foremost foodie hubs and the Bowland Food Hall is a spectacular showcase for the area's food entrepreneurs. Here, visitors can chat to the knowledgeable staff, sample the produce, pick up recipe and cooking tips and take home some delicious local treats.

Next door, Bowland Beer Hall is home to the longest bar in Britain. Here, real ale and craft beer lovers can choose from a selection of at least 24 perfectly kept brews and maybe book a tour of the brewery next door.

If retail therapy is top priority, there are also some lovely places to explore elsewhere in Clitheroe town centre.





Housed in an imposing former chapel in the heart of town, the Emporium is part restaurant, part interior design superstore. Whether it's a latte or a lunchtime glass of fizz, this bustling brasserie is not to be missed.

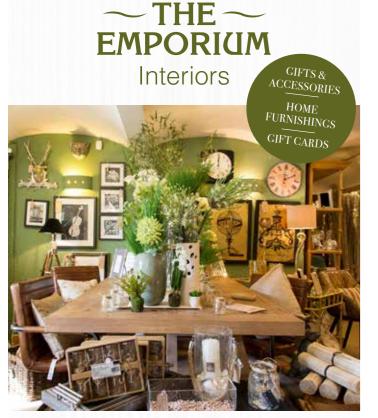
And why not make a night of it at the stylish new Spinning Block Hotel, which offers some very attractive rates for midweek breaks?

Located in the former weaving shed, this elegant four-storey building has been reinvented as a chic boutique hotel. Many of the original features have been preserved, providing a spectacular base for the perfect short break.

Enjoy a cocktail in the bar, and then indulge in a gastronomic adventure in elegant surroundings. It's a fitting climax to a perfect day at the most exciting new venue in the north-west.

GETTING HERE:

By rail: Hourly direct trains from Manchester and Blackburn. The Spinning Block Hotel is just a 10-minute walk from Clitheroe Station. By road: From the M6, exit at Junction 31 and take the A59 east for 15 miles to reach Clitheroe.



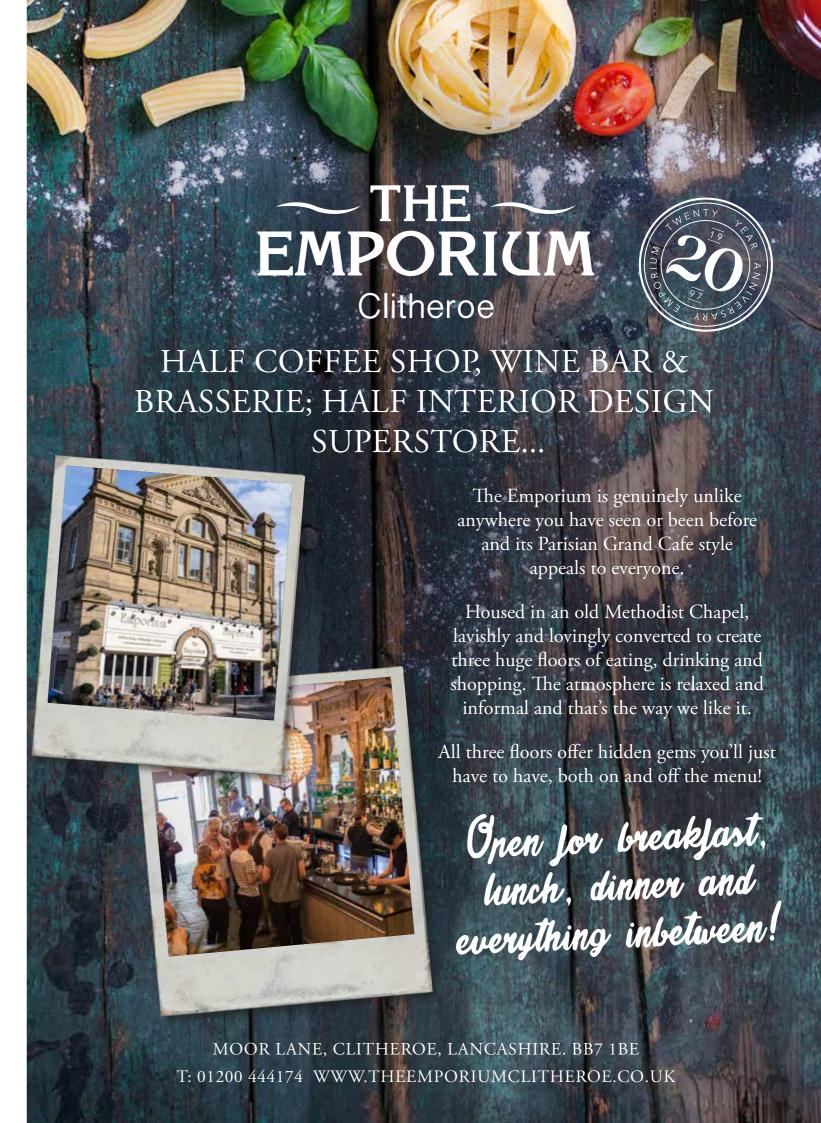
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CLITHEROE CASTLE, MUSEUM AND ATRIUM CAFÉ



Overlooking the quaint town of Clitheroe is the ancient landmark, Clitheroe Castle*. Sitting proudly on top of its limestone mound the Castle's Keep is open daily and free to visit. Stunning panoramic views of Ribble Valley's beautiful, historic landscape can be seen from here which certainly makes the climb up to the top worthwhile! Within the bailey walls visitors will also find Clitheroe Castle Museum and Gift Shop, the Atrium Café and the Steward's Gallery, making it a must-see destination for all the family.

Visitors to the award winning Museum will be transported through 350 million years' of local history. The journey starts with the formation of the landscape we see today and why the Ribble Valley is a haven for unique wildlife. Moving through the galleries the captivating story of the Castle and surrounding area continues to unfold. From local industry and heroes to local myth and legend the fascinating exhibits, touchscreen animations and sound points make it a shared experience for everyone to enjoy. All accompanied children 0-12 years and unaccompanied young people 13-18 years go free and there are lots of interactive, family-friendly activities to engage the younger

mind. Group tours of the Castle complex can also be booked in advance.

The Atrium Cafe is located beside the Museum and is the perfect place to enjoy some delicious food, after travelling back in time whilst in the Museum! The cafe's freshly ground coffee beans and loose-leaf tea is

not only a delight with its 'Picnic in the Park' afternoon tea, but also for its warm, hearty lunches and fantastic cakes

purchased from Clitheroe's own, Exchange Coffee and all of the meat is supplied from locally sourced butchers. You can also find a bar here, so why not spoil yourself on your grand trip to the Castle? Just below the cafe, you will also discover a popular gift shop, where you can pick up some iconic merchandise and wonderful souvenirs to

keep as a memory of your great experience at Clitheroe Castle.

The Atrium at the Castle is extremely proud to offer tailored functions that are bespoke to you. It makes for an extremely beautiful and unique wedding venue, within a stunning setting, creating an exceptionally distinctive back drop to your wedding photographs. This is the perfect place to ensure your big day is one which you and your guests will remember for a lifetime! Contact the Atrium's Wedding Coordinator, who will be only too happy to help plan your special day. Alternatively visit www.castleweddingsandevents.co.uk to find out about hosting parties and special events.

The Steward's Gallery, situated in the grounds of the Castle, is a dedicated exhibition space for art, photography and social history exhibitions. Free to access, there is a vibrant calendar of events running throughout the year. Clitheroe is home to a feast of art galleries and exhibition spaces situated throughout the town and the Steward's Gallery is now a part of the regular ArtWalk, an event where artists showcase their work to the public. For more information about the ArtWalks visit: www.rvarts.co.uk

Limited disabled parking is available at the museum; however there is ample car parking across the town's many central car parks.

The Atrium

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Clitheroe Castle Museum

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Whalley

NESTLING AT THE FOOT OF WHALLEY NAB, UNDER THE WATCHFUL EYE OF A 14TH CENTURY ABBEY, THIS FASCINATING VILLAGE SITS ALONGSIDE THE BEAUTIFUL RIVER CALDER.

Whalley is a village steeped in history and full of surprises, from the Grade II character cottages to its thriving retail, boutique and café culture. Along the Main Street and side lanes you will discover a remarkable range of restaurants and bistros, jewellers, hair and beauty salons, specialist wine merchants, delightful delicatessens and designer clothing boutiques.

Whalley is a haven for independent trading attracting visitors from across the United Kingdom for its unique shopping, dining and historical attractions. One well-known and long established business is the women's fashion shop, Maureen Cookson, which incorporates the delightful awardwinning cafe bar, Benedicts, a Mecca for lovers of good food. Hilary Cookson is the entrepreneur at the helm of the business and the inspiration around recent developments "with all the amazing options in Ribble Valley it is important to continually invest and improve the business making it more appealing to visitors." She added "I am proud to be a part of the Whalley hospitality and retail scene and I am passionate about preserving the distinctive and unique feel about our village.

goods and an extensive range of outdoor gear. The clothing, bag and shoe boutique runs over two floors and adjoins B's Deli and Benedicts Cafe Bar and gift shop.

The beautiful, historical **Swan Hotel** in the centre of the village is undergoing some subtle changes having been operated for over 13 years by Gary and Louise Clough. Louise describes the business as being a constantly loved "work in progress" and is currently in the middle of another guest room refurbishment to keep up with demand in the village. A refresh of their popular food menu has seen the introduction of hand-made artisan pies and the installation of a new pizza oven to accompany their Cask Marque commended range of beers and new gin bar selection which is proving a hit with visitors.

Should you wish to stay over, and really rooms, and you will depart having enjoyed a

adapt walking boots for your optimum comfort. The multi award-winning company is so highly regarded that medical professionals including doctors, physiotherapists and chiropodists, regularly refer patients to see them.

Whalley offers some of the finest dining in the Ribble Valley with a remarkable range of food on offer for a village, from afternoon tea to authentic Italian restaurants and places like Benedicts, where delicious dishes are served all day with the signature breakfast Eggs Benedict, a firm favourite with locals and tourists alike.

One of the village's most popular places is Whalley Abbey, a former monastery of the 14th century Cistercian monks. Today, the stone walls surround a stunning retreat and conference centre with a coffee shop, exhibition centre, and you can explore the gardens and extensive grounds. The Abbey also offers four-star accommodation.

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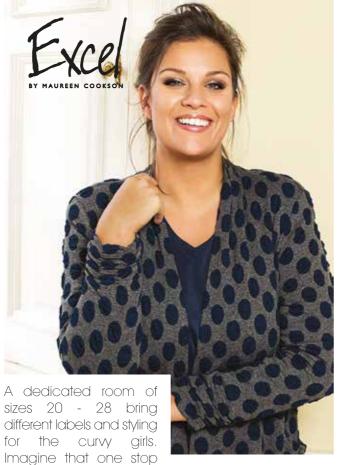
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Benedicts

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Longridge

Longridge is so aptly named as it sits on the hilltop, on a long ridge, with stunning views across the surrounding countryside.

Much of this former cotton mill town was built from the distinctive sandstone quarried locally, and so much of the town has remained largely unchanged in appearance since the 1800s. One of the most significant places in the Town is Club Row, a row of twenty solid workmen's cottages built when Longridge was just a village, and textiles were the big employer. A blue plaque explains their significance, and this terrace, erected between 1774 and 1804, is believed to be the oldest surviving example of properties built by a buildings society in the world.

Berry Lane is very much the hub of the town with a thriving selection of shops where you will discover a wide variety of charmingly unique art, crafts, homeware, jewellery, gifts, designer clothing, shoes and accessories. There is a pleasant blend of longstanding family businesses and more recent arrivals.

One couple demonstrating the confidence to invest in Longridge are Ben and Andrea Fullalove, who recently opened a new wine and tapas bar just off Berry Lane right in the heart of the town. Andrea said 'We have always loved Longridge; the town has a strong community feel and is very welcoming to visitors. We have always been impressed by the variety of

speciality shops here in the town and we believe our business, offering quality wines and a varied tapas menu, fills a niche both in Longridge and the wider Ribble Valley.'

Up at the very top of the town is the Dog Inn, a well-established landmark in the town but another business which has enjoyed recent investment. The owner here too believes in investing in quality, having recently refurbished this iconic building to make it even more welcoming to visitors. Commanding fantastic views over the town and surrounding countryside, **The Dog Inn** is a warm and cosy gastro pub, with a modern contemporary feel, complete with open log fires. Benjamin Lee – Owner Dog Inn said. 'Our ambition is to provide a combination of a warm welcome, hearty food and excellent local ales.'

Recognising the growing popularity of the area for tourism, The Dog Inn has created many luxury holiday apartments that will provide an ideal base for visitors wishing to spend time exploring the gateway to the Forest of Bowland.

For an introduction to the area, a visit to **Old Station** is a must, as it has been carefully converted to house the **Heritage and Visitor Centre**, along with a café. Here you can find out about Longridge's fascinating history, browse the old photographs on the town archive, or view one of their regularly changing exhibitions. You will be able to pick up local walking guides and history trails.

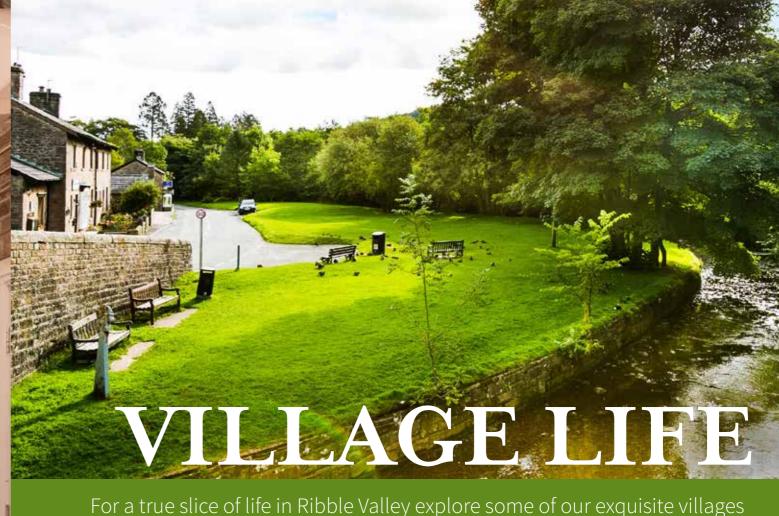
Longridge is lucky enough to have one of Lancashire's quirkiest cinemas, the Palace, which started life as a weaving shed and during its time has been a music hall, roller skating rink, a bingo hall and, finally a cinema in the 1970s. Ribble Valley is very lucky to host one of the last remaining independent cinemas.

Each year the town plays host to an annual art event called 'Create Longridge' which invites artists to capture local life in one day. Artists produce landscapes, street scenes and abstracts.

The town has a strong community feel and is very welcoming to visitors.







Bashall Eaves - Where history and hospitality come together

Standing on the banks of the River Hodder and four miles west of Clitheroe town centre, you will find the picturesque village of Bashall Eaves, at the very heart of this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

When visiting this tiny village, tourism awardwinning Browsholme Hall is a 'must visit'. The hall is a nationally important grade I listed historic house with a pre-eminent collection of antiques, paintings and furniture of museum quality.

Set in beautiful parkland and lush gardens, visitors can walk along paths and through shrubberies by the lake, with breath-taking views of the distant fells. Do check for opening times, as Browsholme is still a family home and only open on certain dates and for special events.

Special places

Fairy Bridge
Browsholme Hall, Historic House
The Red Pump, Traditional Country Inn
Bashall Barn, Shop, restaurant and art galler

If you are looking for a place to stay here, the Red Pump Inn offers luxury B&B or glamping - with four stunning yurts, complete with king-sized beds, a wood-burning stove, electric lights, sockets and their own en-suite bathrooms. The Red Pump Inn is also a steak restaurant, with plenty of character and a beautiful open fire.

With its very own retail outlet, ice-cream parlour, coffee shop and national award-winning restaurant seating 120 people, Bashall Barn is another place that must be visited when taking a trip to Bashall Eaves. In addition, Bashall Barn is also a unique wedding venue, with a stunning backdrop of the Ribble Valley countryside, perfect for your special day.

Special dates

Browsholme Hall, guided tours, gardens and tearoom

Wednesdays 2nd May - 26th Sept 2018





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Waddington - A sensory experience

A regular winner of Lancashire's Best Kept Village Award, this pretty Village with a babbling brook and coronation gardens perches on the outskirts of Clitheroe. Waddington is a conservation area and a great place to explore and discover heritage features like St Helen's Church, an attractive Victorian rebuild.

Waddington has a number of great places to eat, and beautiful walks to enjoy. The

Waddington Arms is a local favourite for dining and has great accommodation should you wish to extend your stay. Close by you will find 'Melt' where scented candles and reed diffusers have been made since December 2000. Melt has a range of

luxury candles on display together with luxury home fragrances and organic body, skincare and perfumery products. There is an exquisite range of gifts for sale, and browsing is an enjoyable sensory experience.

The 17th century Waddow Hall, on the edge of Waddington, is in the ownership of GirlGuiding UK and set in 178 acres of admirable lush land, overlooking the River Ribble. The hall is open to the public for special events, and its restaurant is becoming well known for good quality local food. There is an extensive range of outdoor activities available here under the supervision of qualified instructors, including climbing and canoeing.

Special places

Waddow Hall **Coronation Gardens** Melt, handmade candles

Special dates

Middle Earth Beer & Music Festival

Waddington Duck Race in June

Dunsop Bridge - Village at the Centre of the Kingdom

There are numerous places that claim to be located at the very centre of the United Kingdom but, according to the Ordnance Survey, the official centre of the Kingdom is in the parish of Dunsop Bridge just a short walk from the village centre.

Dunsop Bridge is the perfect place for those who love to explore local landmarks and admire the breath-taking views this stunning place has to offer.

Open every day for visitors, St Hubert's

Church is a small but magnificent church which was built to the design of Edward Pugin, from, it is believed, the winnings of the racehorse Kettledrum in the Derby 1861. A particular treat through the summer months are the home-made teas in the village hall served by local volunteers with the proceeds going to the church fund. Puddleducks is a much-loved

local cafe located in this quaint village, offering a delicious menu of homemade English classics, including corn beef, hotpot and cheese and onion pie, which go perfectly with one of their tasty homemade cakes.

Glenda, who runs Puddleducks with her partner Tony, said that her favourite tale since being a member of the Puddleducks team was, 'when Larry Lamb and TV celebrity Maureen Litman visited and were filming a production outside the cafe.' She also added: 'Dunsop Bridge is a truly lovely place to live, filled with lovely people', and 'the Telegraph Travel Editor said it's certainly worth calling in Puddleducks for one of the bacon butties!'

Special places

Puddleducks Café Trough of Bowland Scenic drive St Hubert's Church

Hurst Green

- Inspiration for Lord of the Rings

This village marks the very start of the famous Tolkien Trail walk, where author J.R.R. Tolkien was inspired by the local landscape and went on to create the 'Lord of the Rings' and 'The Hobbit.'

This trail starts and finishes at the Shireburn Arms, a beautiful and dog-friendly country pub standing in the heart of Hurst Green, which provides a warm welcome and a delightful hearty Lancashire meal awaiting you on your return. Whilst discovering the Tolkien Trail, you will walk in the footsteps of J.R.R. Tolkien and also pass the magnificent Stonyhurst College and the stunning Cromwell's bridge along the way.

Special places

The Tolkien Trail, fascinating circular walk **Shireburn Arms,** for welcome hospitality **Stonyhurst College,** events and tours **Cromwell's Bridge,** ancient bridge and landmark



Situated on a limestone rise above the River Ribble, the tiny hamlet of Mitton is home to some of the most popular restaurants in the area. To name a few, the Aspinall Arms is the perfect stop off for cyclists, walkers and anglers, serving delicious food and drink, whilst looking across at the medieval All Hallows Church, perched on the hill above. With a beautiful open fire inside and terraced and landscaped gardens outside, the Aspinall is the perfect place to relax and unwind, offering a sizeable menu including a good choice for children too.

Here you will also find the famous 'Three Fishes restaurant', where you will enjoy a delicious array of traditional specialities, British classics and the produce of local food heroes, the extraordinary artisan suppliers of this region. The menu is created by Nigel Haworth, Chef Patron of nearby Northcote and there is a line up of the best cask ales, ciders and guest beers, plus fine wines chosen by the award-winning Craig Bancroft.

Mitton Hall is a beautiful country house hotel that can be found in Mitton, offering luxury accommodation, it is also the perfect wedding venue, with beautiful surroundings, incredible architecture and elegant interiors. A delightful brasserie and bar serves dishes with freshly sourced ingredients, decedent afternoon teas, and a fine selction of cocktails.

Special places

All Hallows Church, Riverside walks, along the

Special dates

Aspinall Arms Monthly dog walk, last Sunday of each



Ribchester - History all around you

The village of Ribchester is a significant Roman site, having been the location of a Roman Cavalry fort called Brematennacum. The famous Ribchester Hoard was discovered back in 1796 by a 13year old boy whilst digging in his garden. He came across an unusual collection of items, one being a bronze cavalry parade helmet. This very helmet is currently in the British museum, but the museum in Ribchester has a fantastic replica. The museum also has a 3D interactive visualisation of the fort and settlement as it would have been around 241 BC. There are various remnants of the Roman era and at certain times of the year you can observe and even participate in archaeological digs.

Award-winning Potters Barn is a local cafe situated in the very heart of Ribchester, offering a wonderfully warm and welcoming atmosphere. The cafe offers an excellent home cooked menu, also suitable for a range of special dietary requirements. Pottery painting can also be enjoyed here, for those of all ages! Alongside all of this is a gift shop, filled with unique presents and lovely home ideas.

Special places

St. Wilfrid's Church, centre of Roman fort Roman Ribchester Museum

Special dates

Ribchester Roman Festival - 7th July **Royal Lancashire Show** - 20th-22nd July





Sabden - Beneath iconic Pendle Hill

Sabden is another beautiful village nestled under Pendle Hill, and is the perfect place to begin your exploration of this stunning landscape. Pendle is steeped in history and legends and is renowned for its connections to the trials of the witches in the 1600s and also as the place where George Fox, a leading Quaker preacher, climbed Pendle Hill and realised he had a message for the world: "I

saw the Lancashire sea; and there atop of the hill I was moved to sound the day of the Lord; and the Lord let me see atop of the hill in what places He had a great people to be gathered." this vison lead to the formation of the worldwide Quaker movement.

Close to Sabden, you will find the Higher Trapp Country House Hotel, nestled in 36 acres of magnificent terraced gardens and panoramic views across the Lancashire countryside.

The Higher Trapp offers a warm welcome to visitors whether calling for afternoon tea, dinner or even staying over in one of the luxury bedrooms.

Special places

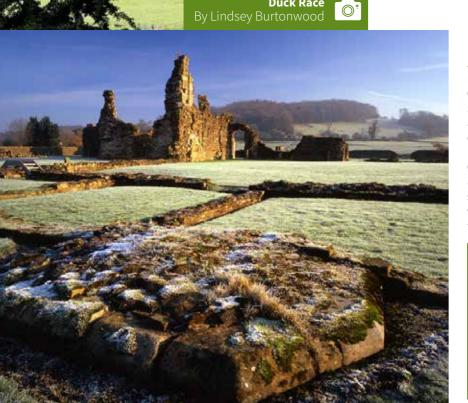
Nick of Pendle, panoramic views of Bowland, the Dales, and the Lancashire coast

Higher Trapp Hotel, for a warm welcome and great hospitality

Trapp Forge, a traditional forge with exclusive handmade gifts

Special dates

Higher Trapp Hotel hosts a programme of entrainment and event



Sawley - Riverside elegance

Nestled deep within the Forest of Bowland, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, is the picturesque village of Sawley. It is here that you will find the remains of a Cistercian abbey, founded in 1148, set close to the River Ribble and overlooking a beautiful backdrop of dramatic hills.

The award-winning Spread Eagle at Sawley is a 17th Century grade II listed country inn, brimming with character and serving delicious food. The Spread Eagle also provides seven luxury bedrooms and a function room, hosting weddings and many other events. A true jewel in the crown of the Ribble Valley!

Special places

Sawley Abbey, a 17th Century former Cistercian abbey **Spread Eagle,** a traditional country inn

Special dates

Beat-Herder Festival 13th - 15th July 2018

Spread Eagle, various events through the year including film club and dog walks

Slaidburn - Outstanding natural beauty

Since the early 19th century, the village of Slaidburn has remained untouched and is a serene and peaceful place. Hidden away by the Bowland fells, the village contains many stone cottages, set in a blissful location close to the banks of the River Hodder.

Located close to Gisburn Forest, you will find that Slaidburn is a great place to enjoy an adventurous walk and explore the beautiful Ribble Valley countryside. This is a beautiful stretch of the river to explore and Stocks reservoir in Gisburn Forest is also close by. There is an excellent network of quiet roads here, with plenty of opportunities for cycling.

Special places

Riverside Picnic Area

Special dates

Slaidburn Steam Fair

Chipping

- Blooming beautiful

Ancient cobbled streets and attractive 17th century buildings, Chipping village is filled with character and has won many Best Kept Village competitions over the years.

Located on the south-western edge of the Forest of Bowland, Chipping offers warm and friendly country pubs and restaurants, such as Gibbon

Bridge, which is also a hotel, offering luxurious rooms and a beautiful wedding venue. Janet Simpson from Gibbon Bridge says, 'I want you to feel at home here too and for you to be able to relax and enjoy our gardens, the fabulous scenery and our locally sourced food.' She added that 'my team and I will do our utmost to ensure your stay with us is one not to be forgotten!'

Chipping is very much the home of Lancashire Cheese, with the well known Leagram Organic Cheese and Procters Cheddar to name but a few local products.

Special places

Floral displays in the village as regular finalist

n Britain in Bloom

Gibbon Bridge Hotel, stunning gardens and welcomina hospitality

Leagram Organic Cheese Shop

Special dates

Chipping Steam Fair - 26th- 28th May **Chipping Agricultural Show** - 25th July



Downham - Untouched beauty

Downham lies at the foot of Pendle Hill, in the southern section of the Forest of Bowland Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and close to the market town of Clitheroe. It is often hailed as the most beautiful village in Lancashire, with unrivalled views absent of overhead wires, satellite dishes, roadside signage and TV aerials. The Assheton family is responsible for the village and surrounding well-managed estate. The manor has been in the family's ownership since 1558 and has passed through a direct line since 1680.

One of the best ways to experience village life is to attend the Downham Hall Open Gardens, a charity event when the community come together at a place of great beauty normally hidden from public gaze.

One place to call is the Assheton Arms, Winner of a numerous awards, including Lancashire Life Dining Pub of the Year, and Lancashire Pub of the Year. This historic Grade II listed village pub is located in the centre of the conservation area. This traditional country inn, perfect for a drink with friends or a meal out. It has a great atmosphere created by our drinkers

and diners, and with exquisite bedrooms should you wish to make more of your visit as there are so many places to explore in this locality.

Greendale café, which commands stunning views across the Ribble Valley towards the Yorkshire Dales, also provides homely and outstanding local hospitality. Particularly popular with walkers and cyclists, it is a great place to rest for a while and enjoy a tasty meal.

Downham has a village car park and visitor information centre where you will find plenty of ideas for local walks and places to visit.

Special places

Downham Church Greendale Café Assheton Arms

Special dates

Downham Hall Open Gardens





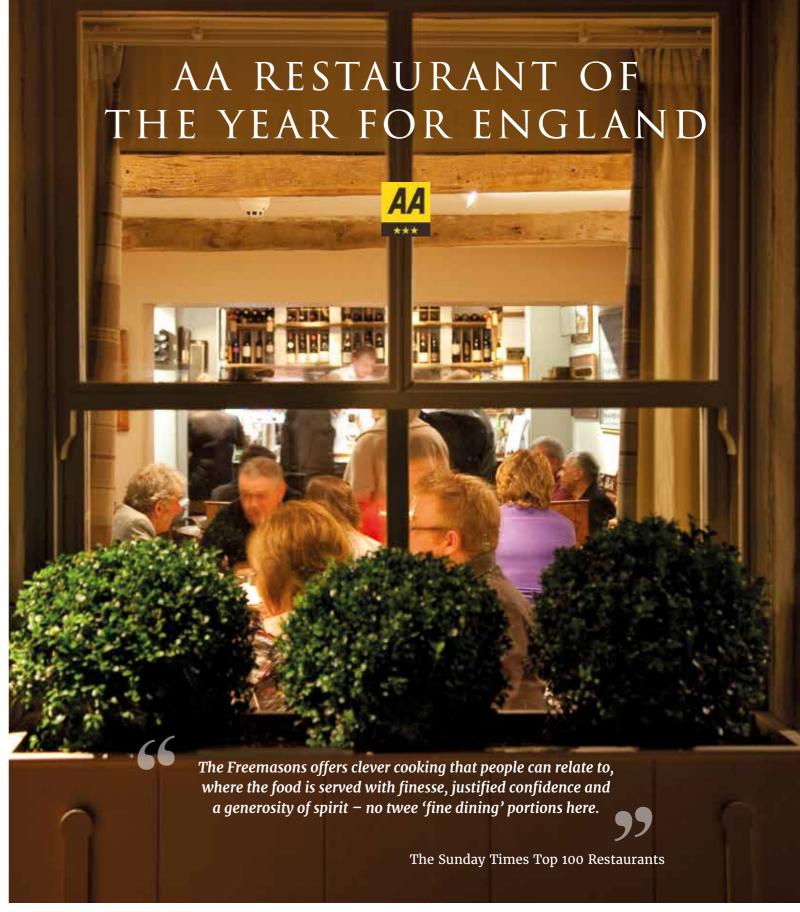
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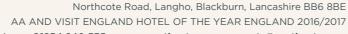




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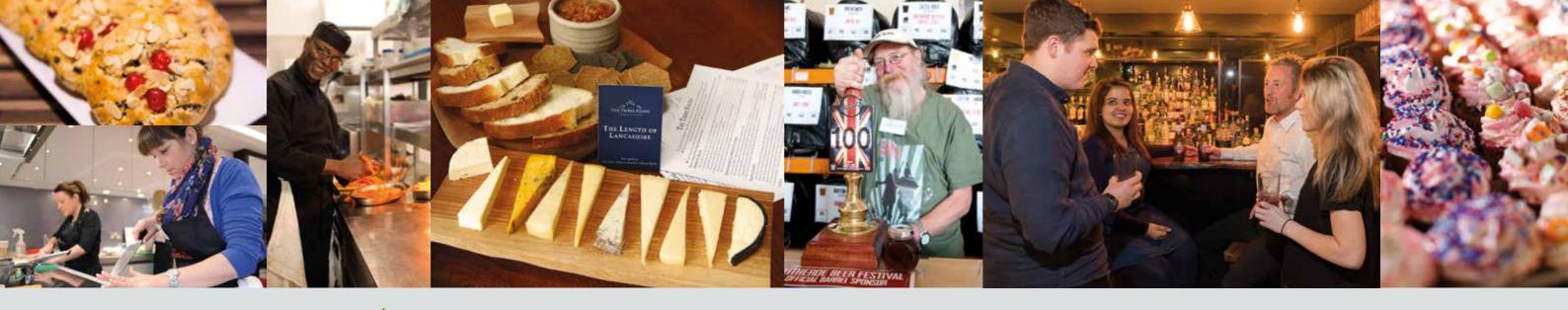






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Perhaps it was his time spent in Ribble Valley that inspired JRR Tolkien to make this wonderful statement; for where better to experience warm hospitality and outstanding food than Ribble Valley?

Often referred to as the food capital of the north, Ribble Valley plays host to a mouth-watering array of food experiences. Right across the valley you will discover an abundance of award-winning eateries with friendly and professional staff just waiting to welcome you.

From cosy cafes and tearooms to gastro pubs, contemporary mill conversions and a Michelin-starred manor house restaurant, there is somewhere to suit all tastes here.

The **Red Pump** Inn at Bashall Eaves offers sensational steak dishes. Their beef comes from native Longhorn, Shorthorn and Galloway cattle and is slowly matured for a wonderful flavour. Their suppliers, Ginger Pig, produce for some of the best restaurants in London, Paris...and Bashall Faves!

At the **Three Fishes** you will be spoilt for choice, their Friday 'chippy tea' is legendary along with their fresh seasonal dishes and superb real ales. Nigel Haworth and Head Chef Ian Moss work closely with farmers, butchers, growers, makers, bakers and suppliers of every kind, to make sure that each link in the supply chain is as local and strong as it can be.

From authentic Indian to award-winning Cantonese there are flavours of the world to be found in the Ribble Valley. A great international example is **La Locanda** at Gisburn which is the UK's most awarded Italian restaurant outside of London and renowned for its authentic take on traditional Italian dishes.

At the **Derby Arms** in Longridge, you will find a superb selection of freshly prepared food which is created using quality, seasonal ingredients. Their lunch menu offers a range of light bites and classic favourites and is perfect fuel for an afternoon of local shopping in Longridge.

Over in Downham, at the **Assheton Arms**, the specials menu is changed daily, and this traditional country inn has won a string of awards and is popular with both drinkers and diners. If you fancy something off menu – such as a specific type of seafood or cut of meat – the chef will source this for you with 48 hours' notice.

A great pub experience is **The Aspinall Arms** which sits on the banks of the River Ribble overlooking the medieval All Hallows church and the 14th century Great Mitton Hall. Serving classic British cuisine, the menu is wonderfully varied, and dishes are freshly cooked using local ingredients. The Aspinall is a particularly popular spot with walkers, cyclists and families.

The Spread Eagle in Sawley is in a picture postcard location with the River Ribble on one side of the building and on the other the remains of the 12th century Cistercian Sawley Abbey. All day the Spread Eagle serves up 'Lancashire Tapas' and regional dishes with a twist, as well as their famous afternoon teas or light bites. Dining can be informal in the bar or in one of the intimate dining rooms.

Fitzy's bar and restaurant at the Higher Trapp Hotel has been stylishly refurbished to create a cosy and relaxing environment, oozing with charm. The floor to ceiling windows catch the sun and offer a breathtaking view of the Pendle countryside. Fitzy's commanding hillside position ensures a stunning view from the outdoor terrace.

Another lovey dining expereince in a beautiful location is **Mr Fred's** at Stanley House

Hotel and Spa, which offers classic British food cooked to perfection with stunning views over local countryside. Stanley House's executive team works meticulously to source produce from some of the best farms, fine food producers, markets, suppliers, wine merchants and breweries across

The Garden Kitchen at Holden Clough Nursery offers a different experience again whether you choose their big breakfast or their renowned picnic bench teas which change in themes through the seasons. Another gem for afternoon tea is Mytton Fold, where the menu is inspired by the hotel's history as a farm.

The Freemasons at Wiswell, is the AA restaurant of the year for 2017/18, and it has many other national accolades to its name, as it is a true gastronomic experience in a stylish pub setting. Inspired by Chef/patron Steven Smith, the Freemasons combines country pub, shooting lodge, a slice of gentrified refinement and adds a twist of contemporary creativity and flair to create the perfect setting for a memorable gastronomic experience.

Benedicts in Whalley was the dream of owner, Hilary Cookson, and it has become the perfect place to meet up with friends or dine alone in warm comfort amongst new friends. A continental style cafe bar that has been awarded many national accolades has a delightful menu available throughout the day.









Where to eat...

Our special Places to Eat directory lists some of the tasty places to visit. Food is so important to us that we have created a one-stop shop website full of information about places ideal for tasting, experiencing and purchasing local food. Just go to www.ribblevalleyfoodheaven.com



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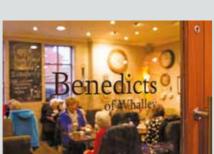
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Aspinall Arms, Mitton Mitton Rd, Mitton, Clitheroe, Lancashire BB7 9PQ t: 01254 826 555 www.aspinallarmspub.co.uk



Benedicts Café Bar 3-7a George Street, Whalley BB7 9TH t: 01254 824468 www.benedictsofwhalley.co.uk



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Downham Rd, Chatburn, Clitheroe BB7 4DL t: 01200 441517 www.greendaleview.co.uk



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La Locanda Ristorante and Wine Bar, Gisburn

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We bake our own homemade convenience meals and pies using all our own meats, all of which are available in various sizes for those quiet nights in or those family get-togethers, just another way to enjoy our quality produce at ease. Our homemade freshly baked sausage rolls & pork pies are frequently talked of by the locals.

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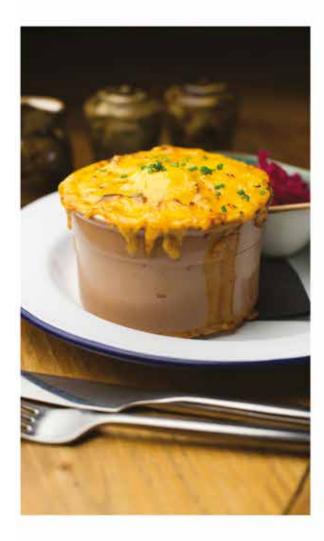


Fitzy's at the Trapp located in Simonstone has been stylishly refurbished to create a cosy and relaxing environment, oozing with charm.

Our mouth-watering menu of home-cooked and locally sourced food offers a variety of dishes that are lovingly prepared by our Head Chef. To complement your meal choice we also serve a selection of cask ales and fine wines.

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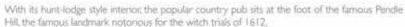












Steeped in history, the area is also home to a bronze-age burial site which was the inspiration behind the foundation of the Quaker religion.

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The Assheton Arms is an historic Grade II listed pub in the conservation village of Downham. which dates back to the 8th century.

With 12 luxury bedrooms, suites and family cottages, the elegant country inn is famous for its sensational seafood specials, creative world food dishes and stunning views of Pendle Hill.

It has been awarded numerous accolades, including AA rosette and 5° rating, Good Pub Guide County Dining Pub of the Year 2015 and 2016, Lancashire Life Dining Pub of the Year and Lancashire Tourism Awards Pub of the Year.

Assheton Arms

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This striking village Inn, combines a bustling country pub with contemporary dining rooms.

Based between Longridge and Chipping, the historic building has six premium en-suite bedrooms.

Its atmospheric tap room, feature fireplaces and large central bar, create a series of ambient spaces perfect for drinks with friends, or a special dining experience.

Set in the lush Forest of Bowland, the Derby Arms is popular with hikers who are able to enjoy some of the most remote walks in the English countryside.

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Made in Ribble Valley

Ribble Valley is renowned for its food quality, with much of the produce being made here in the heart of the Valley. The suppliers of these artisan products are passionate about creating the best of food and drink, made available on our doorstep.

Here in the Valley, there is a great number of independent cheesemakers – each offering a remarkable number of quality cheeses. Set in the unspoilt Chipping countryside, **Procter's Cheeses** has been in operation since the 1930s, with husband and wife team – Tim and Sue Procter – now at the forefront of the business. Their small, wax coated cheeses are all made in Ribble Valley, with a kick behind them; as their now famous brand 'Kick Ass Cheddar' is large enough to make the cheese a favourite in not only

the Ribble Valley, but as far away as Australia!

Using milk from local farms, **Leagram Organic Dairy** is yet another fine example of the excellent food providers we have here. The Kitching family has been

creating award-winning cheeses for more than three decades, sharing their high quality, organic produce with customers and large retailers across the country. Faye Kitching said: "Our suppliers provide the best quality milk from Holstein Friesian Cows, Boer Goats and Cheviot Sheep – ensuring the best quality of cheese can be produced, from the highest quality ingredients". Leagram's extensive range

of organic Lancashire cheeses is available to purchase from the cheese-making site itself in Chipping where a small museum shows some of the implements used in cheese making over the centuries

Just a few miles from Chipping, the village at the heart of Ribble Valley cheese making, you will find **Little Town Dairy and Farm Shop**. The original family run business was established by Matt and Eileen Forshaw back in the early 1960s. Now, a haven for locally sourced yogurt,

cream, crème fraîche Much of the locally sourced, and ice-cream, Little Town Dairy supplies hand-reared produce from to some of the world's Ribble Valley is also available leading cruise-liners - including P&O. at the weekly Clitheroe Market, Not only is Little and particularly showcased at the Town a leader in the annual Clitheroe Food Festival production of dairy goods, their hand-

reared Aberdeen Angus Beef, Gloucester Old Spot Pork and Bowland Lamb is also available in the adjacent farm shop and cafe, not forgetting many of the family made cakes that are sold in the on-site tea room. Nicola, a family member herself, said: "Little Town Dairy has a growing interest in local produce and we try and show this in the products that we sell, both in the farm shop and in the tea room".

Valley is also a leader in the provision of locally sourced ales. Take **Bowland Brewery**, a microbrewery established in 2003, now based in Clitheroe's **Holmes Mill** development. After a number of awards and commendations, many of the brewery's ales can be found in the Beer Hall and enjoyed on-site around the United Kingdom's longest bar! Chief Bowland Brewer, Scott Baldwin, is the man behind the ales, and this local product - brewed onsite - is proving popular amongst a number of Ribble Valley hotels, bars and restaurants; as well as with locals, who are now able to buy the ales from many big-name supermarkets. Scott said, 'After many years of uncertainty over its future the Bowland brewery now has a permanent home where it has not only been able to establish and dramatically expand its brewing operations but also develop brewery tours and themed events. So, Holmes Mill has become the home to Bowland Brewery, but it also hosts a magnificent new Food Hall: a true celebration of the Valley's finest produce where you can come and sample and purchase the very best of local food and drink.

Much of the locally sourced, hand-reared produce from Ribble Valley is also available at the weekly **Clitheroe Market**, and particularly showcased at the annual **Clitheroe Food Festival** – this year taking place on Saturday 11th August 2018. This is an annual celebration of the hard work and commitment that local food and drink suppliers invest into their fantastic produce. During the festival (which is free to enter), the town centre is taken over by an array of culinary stalls – all offering tasteful delights. So, for a true taste of Ribble Valley, come and sample our fabulous local food products.

Locally grown and hand-sourced produce is available to buy at many local outlets across Ribble Valley, including Little Town Dairy, the Food Hall at Holmes Mill and **B's Deli** of Whalley

FIND OUT

To find out more about locally sourced food and drink, visit **www.ribblevalleyfoodheaven.com** and learn more about our wonderful local suppliers.

Ribble Valley is not only an area of culinary excellence but also a centre for hand crafted produce.



KATE EVESON - PAINTING

Having lived on a sheep farm for many years in the Ribble Valley, sheep have become the main theme of Kate's work, in particular Scottish Blackface and Swaledales. Textiles form the basis of her work sewing the image onto fabric either by hand or by machine and then painting in the layers of detail.

www.kateeveson.com



TRAPP FORGE - IRONWORK

Blacksmiths at Trapp Forge, Simonstone have been taking inspiration from their rural surroundings near Pendle Hill for over 50 years. Current owner Bill Carter is a second generation blacksmith trained in traditional techniques who has worked with private clients, architects and businesses to create unique hand-forged items for indoor and outdoor settings. Trapp Forge has been entrusted with a range of public arts and heritage restoration projects, from stately homes and cathedrals to work for members of the royal family. If you are looking for something a little different the Forge have a great range of exclusive homeware & gifts that are made on site at Trapp Forge, fire pokers & toasting forks for real fire lovers, candle holders and bottle openers.

Hand-forged commissions - www.trappforge.co.uk

Hand-forged gifts - www.thelittleironhouse.com



Knowle Top Studios – Photography

Ribble Valley is home to many creative artists, including some highly acclaimed photographers who are able to capture the moods and feelings of this amazing area. Located in the heart of Lancashire's market town of Clitheroe, Knowle Top Studios is a fine art gallery, home to the photography of Duncan and Irene Phillips. The gallery offers collector's prints, gifts, fabrics and décor, uniquely printed with Duncan and Irene's photographs of wildlife, landscapes and lifestyle. Through living and working in the Ribble Valley, Duncan and Irene have found much inspiration

that has allowed them to produce such wonderful and creative images. Duncan and Irene's artwork is particularly favoured by international collectors and interior designers, who are in search of a contemporary, intriguing approach to nature and lifestyle photography that brings a very stylish and elegant touch of the external world into people's homes

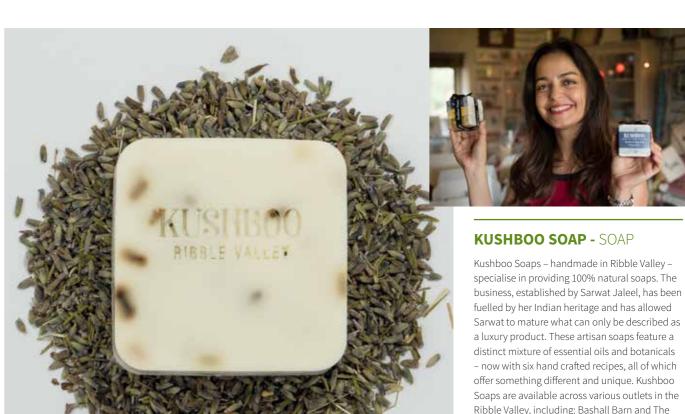
Example of their work can be found throughout this guide, including the front cover Drone shot of Pendle Hill

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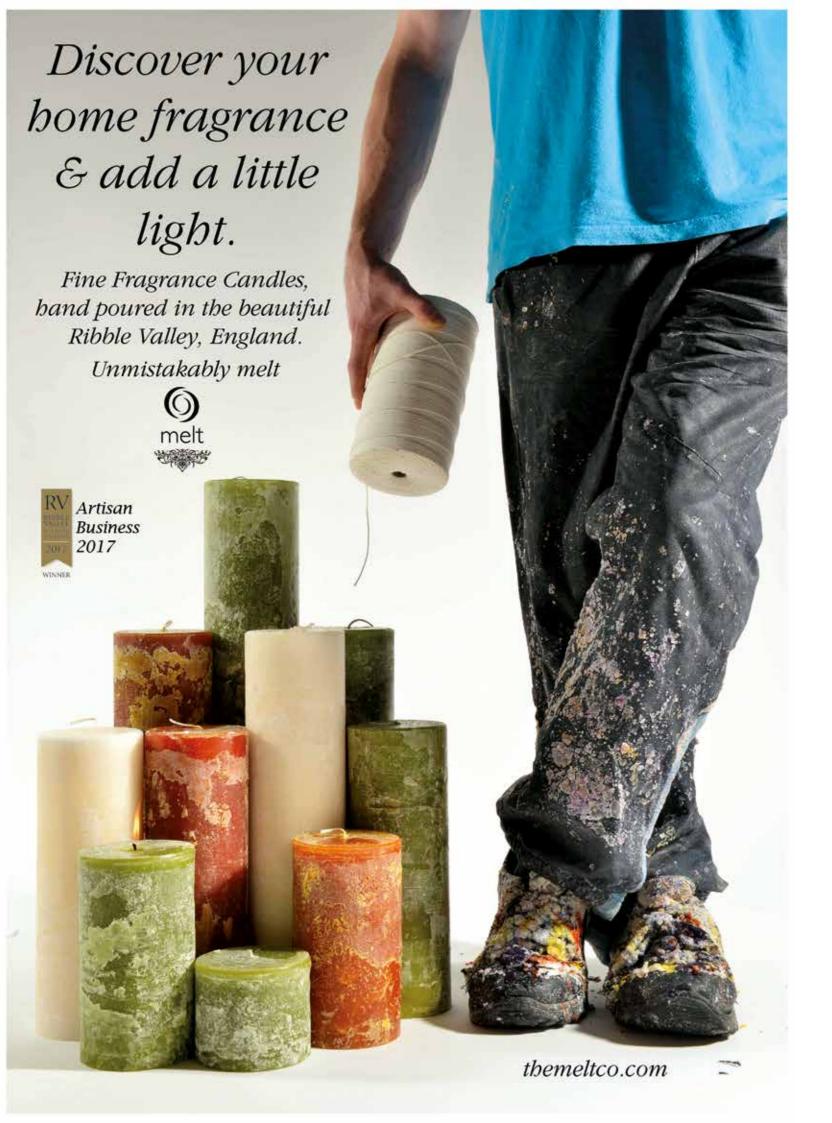
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Melt...Luxury Gift Shop & Perfumery

renowned for their exquisite fine fragranced, hand poured candles, is also bome to an 'On the Farm' retail outlet which is nestled in the beautiful countryside of the Ribble Valley. A visit there will delight you; outside the back door are Llamas, geese and chickens (plus plentiful free parking)... and through the front door there is a welcome smile and (always!) a complimentary glass of wine to band!



With an emphasis on natural ingredients, melt offers a wide selection of organic skincare & makeup and a perfumery housing niche fragrances. These sit alongside home accessories, jewellery, bandbags & cashmere...all perfect for any time of the year!

The Chandlery & Reading Room

The chandlery - 'originally the office in a medieval household responsible for wax and candles' - will quite simply captivate you. It showcases melt's unique range of fragranced candles which are all hand made on the farm. Each of the 30 available candle ranges feature a complex mix of essential oils and ingredients that combine to create exquisite fragrances.

Alongside the candles is an imaginative 'library' of books that cover a range of genres from comical to quirky, unusual to whimsical. Take as long as you need to browse the shelves, have a read... and maybe even learn something new!

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SHOP

We've selected the finest handcrafted goods to create a luxurious shopping experience - find that perfect gift or object to treasure from our curated displays featuring beautiful work from some of the UK's best makers. We can help you arrange a bespoke commission and Own Art, the interest-free loan scheme, is also available to help you start your craft collection today.

THE MIX

Available to hire for all kinds of creative events, there's always something different happening here. Various activities in our buzzing project space provide a unique opportunity to see a creative mixture of traditionally modern and cutting edge current work, and to get creative yourself at an artist workshop. Our monthly stall event Fresh hosts a great choice of craft wares and art for sale, where you can also meet the makers.

VIC

Whether you're enjoying a short stay or longer holiday, our super friendly team are here to help you explore the Ribble Valley – ready for every enquiry, our enhanced knowledge and experience will help you find what you need to make your stay extra-special. Our VIC shop sells maps, guides, tickets and special souvenirs, which will ensure you remember your visit.

VISIT

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FOR ALL YOU CULTURES

Ribble Valley has an abundance of art venues, events and festivals to nourish the soul.

The beauty of the area inspires many artists and creative businesses to live and work in the area. A wide variety of venues offer regular arts programmes for you to escape and feel inspired during your visit; theatre, music, dance, film, artist studios, exhibitions, art trails and artisan shops. There are so many

exciting opportunities providing you with the most amazing experiences. Soak up the village atmosphere and experience a professional theatre performance in a characterful village hall, take in the stunning scenery of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty at a quirky outdoor music festival, meet artists as they

work in their studios across the area.
Start your visit to the Ribble Valley at the
Platform Gallery & Visitor Information Centre
in Clitheroe. Housed in the town's old Victorian
railway station building, the centre's team
can provide you with inspiration for your
cultural itinerary.

To discover the broad spectrum of arts based in Ribble Valley, visit www.rvarts.co.uk



IDEAS & INSPIRATION

Ribble Valley is home to some extraordinary artistic talent, much of which is showcased in its variety of galleries.

Ribble Valley Sculpture Trail

Launched in 1993 as the first of its kind to be established in Lancashire, the Sculpture Trail now includes over 20 permanent works of art. Set in Brungerley Park and Cross Hill Quarry Nature Reserve you can enjoy the open air gallery with views of the river and the dramatic scenes of the nearby fells, all just 15 minutes walk from Clitheroe's town centre.



Art Décor in the village of Whalley is an established gallery that showcases work by contemporary British artists. The gallery works with many internationally renowned artists, as well as helping to promote and represent emerging new talented local artists. Regular exhibitions are held throughout the year.





Create Longridge is a local creative arts event, where many professional and amateur artists take up the challenge of creating a single piece of new and original art. Artists paint different areas of Longridge and its local surroundings, from the beautiful countryside, the historic architecture, or the great people in and around Longridge, all in the space of just one day. After the painting day, a week's long exhibition is held at Longridge Gallery, where visitors are able to come along and see the incredible paintings that have been produced. Visitors are also able to invest in these new and original pieces of artwork.



MUSIC, FESTIVALS &

ENTERTAINMENT

The festivals incorporate a wide range of music throughout the year, including specialist genres. One ever-growing festival featuring in 2018 is the **Ribble Valley Jazz Festival**. Developed by volunteers it runs a substantial portfolio of jazz and blues activities throughout the year with an annual event in May, celebrating the best in Jazz.

Ribble Valley Music Festival is held at a number of landmark venues including Whalley Abbey and Ribble Valley churches. Performances are by leading national and regional artists, as well as assiring local artists and students.

Venues in the villages and towns provide a backdrop for a variety of performances including theatre, comedy, film and music.

Ribfest is an annual week-long event showcasing local talent, celebrating all kinds of music and performing arts in the beautiful Ribble Valley village of Ribchester, including lively gigs, formal music concerts, theatre, interesting talks and other family events.

The Grand in Clitheroe is a state of the art entertainment venue that has a programme of events not to be missed with semothing for all ages

Clitheroe Concerts Society has brought chamber music to the Ribble Valley since 1952

Presenting seven concerts a year, with music composed from around 1600 to the present day. Performances are held at Clitheroe Roya Grammar School and Ribble Valley Borough

Another exciting festival held in the Ribble Valley is the all famous **Beatherder Music Festival**. Beatherder is an annual summer music festival, with over 5000 people attending each year. This festival holds a range of different music genres, from drum and bass to falk music and plenty more

For a full calendar of events browse www.visitribblevalley.co.uk/events

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Take the **Clitheroe Artwalk**

Artwalk Clitheroe highlights the hub of galleries based within the market town of Clitheroe. Ribble Valley is home to some extraordinary artistic talent, much of which is showcased in Clitheroe's many galleries.

Each venue involved has its own individual and inspiring style, allowing visitors to experience an abundant variety of artwork within a short walking distance. A full day can be spent ambling along the route of galleries, taking in the cultural atmosphere of the town. Be prepared to fall in love with an original work of art, this is your chance to take home an everlasting memento of your visit to the Ribble Valley.

The Ribble Valley Art Studios were established in 2012 by artists Beverley Chapelhow and Keith Parkinson. The studios provide affordable studio spaces for local artists, a wide range of original artworks, cards and prints for sale, as well as a chance for people to learn and develop new creative skills in arts classes. Soak up the creative atmosphere within the artists' studios, see the artists at work, talk with them about their inspirations and techniques and browse the exhibits in the gallery.

Longitude Gallery a contemporary light and open exhibition space showcasing the best of original British Modern Art. Changing exhibitions often feature three or four new artists every two months. Proprietor Andy Schofield said "We are supporters of local professional artists, we regularly display the work of talented Ribble Valley painter Steve Rostron as well as well known Pendle artist Donald Holden. New talent is always emerging. this year we are welcoming Takumi Woodwork of Whalley, highly skilled craftsmen specializing in Japanese inspired Furniture."

Platform Gallery. Clitheroe's beautiful Victorian railway station building is home to the Platform Gallery, champion of contemporary craft and culture. This council run arts venue was created for Ribble Valley residents to experience high quality arts on their doorstep, and provides an extra cultural destination for all visitors to enjoy.

The Keep is a boutique, contemporary gallery, just off Castlegate. The Keep is home to artist and designer, Tony Bentley, here Tony showcases his sculpture along with his photography, which has twice been shortlisted for Landscape Photographer Of The Year. With a background in design he also produces unique light shades, cards and gifts alongside the work of other regional and national artists. Tony and his wife Julia said "We hope that everyone will feel welcome as we believe that art should not be exclusive and can be a part of every home, whether as sculpture, painting, books, coasters or a teapot."

Knowle Top Studios is the shop & working studio of photographers Irene Amiet and Duncan Phillips. Their contemporary, intriguing approach to nature and lifestyle photography brings an elegant touch of the outside into peoples' homes. Both artists create unique images of landscapes, wildlife and lifestyle from England's north, taking inspiration from the Ribble Valley, Pendle, the Forest of Bowland, the Yorkshire Dales and Lake District. Duncan's drone photography captures the landscape as never seen before, even Pendle Hill the most photographed scene in the area is given a new lease of life in his dramatic aerial shots. In the shop they offer collector's prints of all scales, from gifts, fabrics, décor and large statement wall pieces all uniquely printed with Duncan's and Irene's photography.

"Clitheroe, the perfect destination to immerse yourself in the Arts"

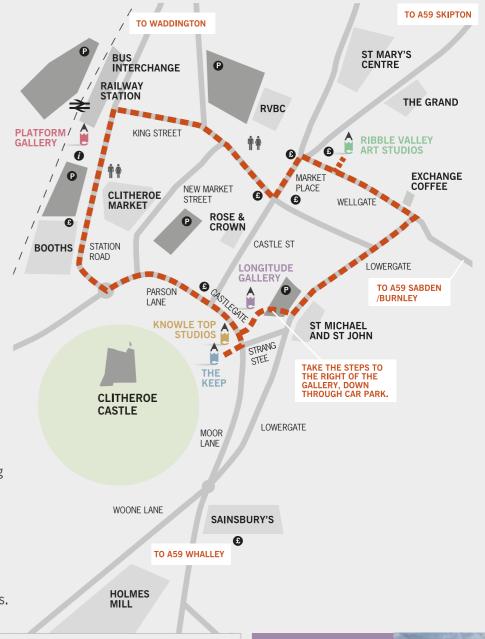


Artwalk Clitheroe is a gentle circular walking route along pavements including five fantastic galleries that our historic market town has to offer.

Begin your walk at any point along the route. The galleries are dog-friendly and with a great selection of cafés, pubs and restaurants along the route, why not make a day of it?

Please check individual gallery websites for opening times.

On certain days throughout the year the galleries open for special Artwalk events. See our facebook page below for more details.



Platform Gallery

Exhibitions and a craft shop featuring work by local and national designer-makers.

www.ribblevalley.gov.u /platformgallery Tel: 01200 425566



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Longitude Gallery

Specialising in Modern British Fine Art with particular promotion of North-West artists.

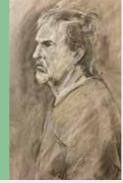
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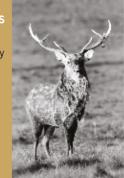
Local artists studios and gallery, with collaborative projects, classes and workshops.

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Knowle Top Studios

Home to Irene Amiet and **Duncan Phillips photography** and uniquely printed gifts featuring their images.



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An English Country Garden

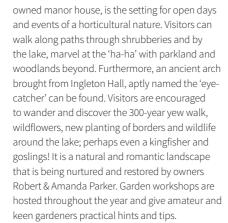
If gardens and gardening are your passion, there are some absolute gems in Ribble Valley waiting to be discovered.

Once a year, the gardens of **Downham** Hall are opened to the public in a charity event which engages both locals and visitors at this beautiful location. The hall is home to Lord and Lady Clitheroe, who allow their stunning grounds to be explored and enjoyed by all. The garden covers about five acres and is split into distinct areas. There is a large expanse of lawn around the house, with lovely uninterrupted views over to Pendle Hill. Shrubberies have been planted around the front door and lead down the front drive, partially concealing one of the oldest fives courts in the north of England.

Wildflowers have been introduced into the rough areas of grass by the front drive to add a bit of colour and wildlife interest. The house itself is covered with Virginia creeper and wisteria.

There is an enclosed rose garden to the east of the house which has white, red and yellow tulips in the spring, lily of the valley borders and shrub roses, clematis and rambling roses. A path leads from the rose garden down the hill to the long border and the kitchen garden past herbaceous borders, a fuchsia hedge and a seating area. There is also a traditional walled kitchen garden, which is always full of seasonal produce

Historic **Browsholme Hall**, another family



To see flowers, then where better than the villages of Whalley and Chipping, both regular award winners in North West in Bloom, where the local communities of each ensure that their villages are adorned with flowers all year-round.

At Holden Clough you can also find something rather special, a multi award winning nursery run by John and Kate Foley. John was once held the title of BBC Young Gardener of the Year. Established in 1927 by Richard Milne-Redhead, Holden Clough Nursery became one of the country's leading Alpine nurseries. Serving customers up and down the country and providing a renowned local landscaping service, the nursery was a centre of excellence for anything concerning plants!



strong but now not only just growing alpines, but also a larger range of plants including many new and unusual perennials, shrubs, climbing plants and much more. There have also been other developments in recent years including the introduction of a tea room called 'The Garden Kitchen' which has become renowned for the quality and presentation of its' food. It is open every day, serving home cooked traditional food with a twist, and always using locally sourced ingredients. And nothing stands still at Holden Clough with ambitious plans for 2018 including an expansion of group events and activities. The Holden Clough team are keen to share their expertise and encourage budding gardeners into learning more about the wonderful world of gardening.

Holden Clough is renowned for growing plants that will grow with you! As the saying goes 'If it will grow at Holden Clough, then it will grow anywhere' with 6 feet of rainfall per year and record low temperatures!

Find out more at www.visitribblevallev.co.uk

















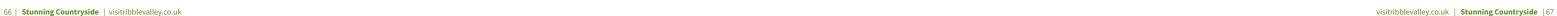
the picturesque towns and villages of East Lancashire and Ribble Valley. For generations this iconic landscape feature has been an inspiration to both visitors and local people. One of the most famous was George Fox; the founding father of the Quaker movement, who revealed that it was here in the early 1600s where he was inspired to start what is now a worldwide religious movement. Fox wrote: "As we travelled, we came near a very great hill, called Pendle Hill, and I was moved of the Lord to go up to the top of it; which I did with difficulty, it was so very steep and high. When I was come to the top, I saw the sea bordering upon Lancashire. From the top of this hill the Lord let me see in what places he had a great people to be gathered." Today Pendle remains strongly linked to the Quakers, giving its name to one of their centres for religious and spiritual study and contemplation near Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, in the United States.

Beneath the hill lie pretty villages which reveal a history of intrigue and witchcraft, spanning 400 years. At that time the area was regarded by the authorities as a wild and lawless region: "fabled for its theft, violence and sexual laxity, where the church was honoured without much understanding of its doctrines by the common people. Twelve alleged witches lived in the area surrounding Pendle Hill and were charged with the murders of ten people

by 'the use of witchcraft'. All but two were tried at Lancaster Assizes in August 1612. The trials of the Pendle witches are among the most famous witch trials in English history, and some of the best recorded of the 17th century. The trials allowed the testimonies of children in a court of law for the first time in history, which went on to influence rules of law across the world.

Pendle Hill is an exhilarating and fantastic walk. Astonishingly, on a clear day and just off the summit, you can see Blackpool Tower and the sea. Regular climbers of Pendle report that on clear days you can also spot the Welsh landmark of Penmaenmawr. And from the 557-metre summit you can see two of Yorkshire's famous three peaks - Ingleborough and Whernside. There are several routes to the summit, one of the most popular starts in the pretty village of Downham where you will also find the Assheton Arms, for 'fuelling up' for the jaunt. Pendle Hill's relative isolation on the edge of the Pennines and the Bowland Fells makes it appear very dominant in the landscape. A multimillion-pound Heritage Lottery award has set in motion an exciting scheme of improvements to create enhanced access to the hill along with better interpretation aimed at unlocking some of the legends and secrets yet to be discovered.





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See hundreds of plants being grown . outside in our challenging northern climate and at the same time enjoy our home made delights in the Garden Kitchen

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- Garden and border design service
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- Huge range of hardy plants
- Gold Medal RHS Tatton Park 2017
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The Garden Kitchen at Holden Clough Nurseries was established in 2013 and is located at the heart of the award winning plant nursery in the scenic Ribble Valley.

Traditional food with a twist using the best locally sourced ingredients, so whether you are looking to start your day with a hearty breakfast, maybe a tasty lunch or try out our take on the traditional afternoon tea, "The Afternoon Picnic', The Garden Kitchen has something for everyone including the young gardeners among us.



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THE GARDEN KITCHEN

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Nestled in 180 acres of beautiful countryside, this rural retreat is the perfect escape from the stresses of everyday life. Our friendly, professional and customer focused team are committed to providing a memorable visitor experience with a personal touch. Enjoy a leisure break, family fun day, celebration, team away day, dining experience, adventure and so much more at Waddow Hall.

Adventurous activities

Experience adrenaline fuelled activities including artificial caving, zip wire, nightline, abseiling, crate challenge, and many more.

Our fully qualified instructors will make sure you have an amazing experience. Their expertise and encouragement will help you develop new skills and grow in confidence, as you navigate your way through activities.

And relax...

When you've finished climbing trees, lighting fires or kayaking on the river, we offer a warm and inviting space for rest and relaxation.

Waddow Hall has a selection of Georgian and Victorian reception rooms that provide a relaxing environment with stunning views of the river. Our function room can accommodate up to 100 guests, whilst the dining room can seat 60 people. For a more intimate dining experience, you can opt for our comfy Staffordshire Lounge, which seats up to 30 and has a beautiful open fire.



The ultimate dining experience

Our delicious home-made food uses locally sourced fresh seasonal produce. So whether you're looking for a formal dining experience or catering for a party, our team of chefs will produce culinary delights sure to tickle your taste buds. Waddow Hall is famous for its afternoon tea.

We offer a selection of sandwiches, tempting homemade cakes and speciality teas and coffees. If you have any special dietary requirements simply let us know at the time of your booking.

Celebrations and events

We've been hosting celebrations and events for many years, so if you're looking for a venue for a wedding reception, birthday party or event Waddow Hall is the perfect location for you. Rooms can be dressed according to theme and a variety of catering options are available to suit your needs. Just give us a call to discuss the affordable and varied options for your special celebration.

Corporate facilities

We have all the amenities that you'll need to host a meeting, team away day or large scale event. Enjoy access to:

- Variety of conference and meeting rooms
- Adventurous activities
- Team building exercises
- Accommodation Refreshments
- Meals / Afternoon tea

Come and stay with us

With such a wonderful variety of accommodation options we have something for everyone.

Stay at the 17th century manor house in one of our comfortable en-suite rooms or choose a secluded cottage hidden away in the scenic grounds. If you want to be at one with nature you can camp in the lush green countryside.

How to find us

Waddow Hall, Waddington Road, Clitheroe, Lancashire BB7 3LD

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Get in touch

give us a call on **01200 423186** or send us an email waddow@girlguiding.org.uk



who love to explore the great outdoors, with many different walking routes to suit every age

For those who enjoy a more strenuous hike, there is an excellent network of well-maintained public paths to be explored. For those who prefer a more relaxed, long distance walk, the 'Ribble Way' is a 70 mile route, with the Ribble Valley stretch of the route containing the most breathtaking scenery to enjoy along the way.

Why not try one of Ribble Valley's carfree itineraries and make use of local trails and public transport? The Clitheroe Travel Interchange is located in the centre of the town and allows you to choose different bus routes that will take you to pretty villages and more remote locations. From here, you could make your way back on foot. This will allow you the perfect opportunity to take in the stunning

College, which you will stumble upon when experiencing the Tolkein Trail walk.

surroundings and make the most of the natural splendour that Ribble Valley has to offer.

One of Ribble Valley's best known walks is the Tolkien Trail, which follows the footsteps of the legendary author JRR Tolkien. When working on the Lord of the Rings during the Second World War, Tolkien spent much of his time at Stonyhurst College, which you will stumble upon when experiencing the Tolkein Trail walk. It has been said that there are connections with the beautiful landscapes surrounding the college and the 5.5 mile Tolkien Trail, all of which may have inspired him when creating the Lord of the Rings. The Tolkien Trail is a 9km walk, which takes you through magnificent wooded landscapes and countryside. The walk

starts and finishes at the Shireburn Arms pub, where you can expect a very warm welcome on collecting your walking guide and a delicious meal awaiting you when you arrive back from this unforgettable walk.

With so many different adventurous walks to experience, you will want to look and feel the part. Whalley Warm & Dry provides the very best quality outdoor clothing and footwear, along with the very best customer service, ensuring you leave with exactly what you need on your Ribble Valley adventures. The team at Whalley Warm and Dry also understand the importance of properly fitted, supportive footwear and its impact on the comfort and enjoyment of your walk.

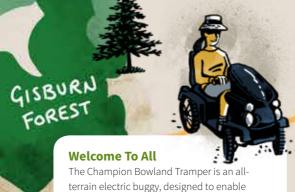




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by foot Here are just a few great walking related ideas.

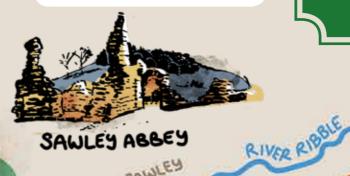
Puddleducks, Dunsop Bridge BB7 3BB / 01200 448241 www.puddleduckscafe.co.uk

Walk to the centre of the Kingdom and discover the stunning landscapes of Ribble Valley, before retiring to this wonderfully cosy café and indulging in a range of homemade Lancashire favourites.



www.theredpumpinn.co.uk

Set amid the magnificent beauty of the Forest of Bowland, take to the woodland paths and explore the stunning moorland countryside, before returning to the Red Pump Inn for some quality food.



people with walking difficulties to join their

friends and family on their adventures around

Gisburn Forest. Pre booking advisable at the

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Hub Café 01200 446387.

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GISBURN

The Three Fishes near Mitton BB7 9PQ | 01254 826888 www.thethreefishes.com

Not only is this Ribble Valley Inn a favourite for its food, but its striking countryside is also just as popular; so much so that they have produced a new walking guide: 'Go Walking with Ribble Valley Inns', which is now available from the pub.

Aspinall Arms near Mitton BB7 9PQ | 01254 826555

www.brunningandprice.co.uk/aspinallarms/

Situated on the banks of the River Ribble, this circular walk, shaped by digital walking guide app iFootpath, is guaranteed to work up a thirst and a hunger, all of which can be eased in the cosy Aspinall Arms to complete your journey. The Aspinall Arms also host a popular monthly dog walk, which is certainly one for all the family to enjoy!



STOCKS

The Spread Eagle Inn, Sawley BB7 4NH | 01200 441202

www.spreadeaglesawley.co.uk

Visit The Spread Eagle and collect your Wainwrights Walking Guide, before heading out and discovering the beauty that Ribble Valley has to offer. If you fancy a relaxing day in the countryside with some quality food, take a look online at the Inn's guided walks.



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BB7 4BJ | 01200 441227 www.asshetonarms.com

Starting in Downham, one of the Ribble Valley's quaintest villages, collect your walking leaflet and begin your outdoor adventure. Return to the Assheton Arms and enjoy the excellent hospitality that they have to offer.

Assheton Arms, Downham



The Shireburn Arms, Hurst Green BB7 9QJ | 01254 826678

www.shireburnarmshotel.co.uk

Home to the Tolkien Trail, collect your copy of the trail route at the Shireburn Arms. From here, take an adventure down the enchanted tracks, which were often walked on by famous author J.R.R Tolkien. Relax and unwind in this beautiful country Inn, whilst enjoying a refreshing drink and delicious food, to bring your memorable day to a close.

Whalley Warm & Dry WHALLEY BB7 9SN / 01254 822220 www.whalleyoutdoor.co.uk No walking enthusiast has

experienced the best of walking in the Ribble Valley without a visit to Whalley Warm & Dry. This specialist outdoor footwear store will ensure all walkers have the best customised fitting boots possible.

For more ideas go to www.visitribblevalley.co.uk







ituated in the picturesque village of Whalley, award winning, family-run outdoor shop Whalley Warm & Dry attracts customers from across the country to visit.

Their hand-picked high quality brands and unrivalled customer service are reflected in their tally of fourteen national awards which include 'Best Independent Outdoor Footwear Retailer' at the Footwear Industry Awards 2017 and the award for 'Retail Experience' at the Lancashire Tourism Awards 2017.

THE BOOT FITTING SPECIALIST

Whalley Warm & Dry remove the guesswork from buying walking boots or shoes – they help you to choose footwear that is the right size, width, volume & shape for your feet. Wearing the right footwear means you can enjoy walking even more, no more worrying about your feet. Happy feet = happy walker!

Their free specialist boot fitting service is renowned nationally, with thousands of customers travelling from across the country to visit each year. Specially trained fitters take ten detailed measurements to identify your foot length, volume and size, followed by analysis on the Podoscope to ascertain foot arch, height and

pressure distribution, before recommending the right footwear and supportive insoles for your foot shape and chosen activity. With walking boots available in 5 width fittings from extra narrow to extra wide plus half sizes, this gives Whalley Warm & Dry over 170 fitting options. Once you have chosen your footwear, Whalley Warm & Dry can use specialist machinery to gently steam and stretch them for a custom fit.

If you would like happy feet on your next walk, all you have to do is call **01254 822 220** to book your Specialist Boot Fitting appointment.

I simply cannot rate Whalley Warm and Dry highly enough, or quite put into words just how excellent their service is. If you have any issues with your feet, however slight or significant, and struggle to get boots to fit comfortably then, however many miles away you live, a journey here will be thoroughly worthwhile, I assure you: Personal service like no other, friendly and very knowledgeable staff, nothing too much trouble, absolutely no pressure selling whatsoever and everything measured, shaped and tailored exactly to your own needs. Fantastic.



THE PÁRAMO CLOTHING SPECIALIST

Whalley Warm & Dry can help to keep you warm and dry even in the most hostile of conditions with their range of Páramo outdoor clothing.

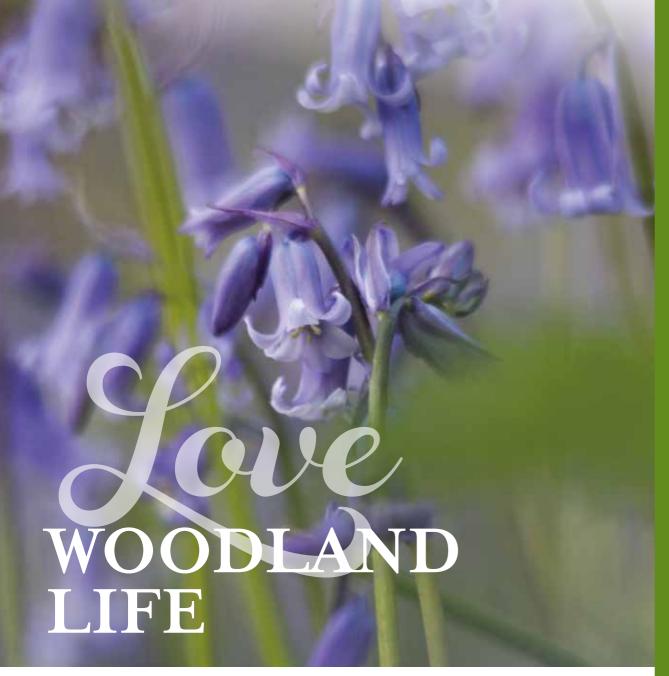
As a Páramo Premier Retailer, they have a wide range of Páramo waterproof jackets, waterproof trousers, mid-layers, reversible base-layers, summer shirts and accessories available in store.

Páramo is a British company who ethically manufacture award winning outdoor clothing. Páramo combines ingenious, rigorously field-tested designs with innovative textile systems which are specified and tested by Nikwax.

Which? magazine asked consumers to rate their outdoor gear. Results based on over 2,300 responses rated waterproof jackets brands for Water Resistance, Breathability, Comfort, Durability, Fit and Warmth. Páramo, achieved an overall score of 93%, ahead of all other brands surveyed.

Knowledgeable staff at Whalley Warm & Dry are more than happy to take the time to answer any questions you may have about any of the products or specialist services they provide, so why not pop in and see how they can help you to enjoy the great outdoors even more!





Trees and woodlands form an important part of the landscape in this area, particularly the beautifully wooded valleys following the **Ribble and Hodder rivers**. Higher up in the landscape large woods and forests, such as those around **Stocks Reservoir** and on Longridge Fell provide wonderful opportunities for recreation and nature conservation.

Our woods and trees are home to more wildlife than any other landscape. Hedgerows, copses, woods, and forests all have a unique character, biodiversity and ecosystem. Together, they make up vital habitat links, connecting wildlife across the landscape and helping species to survive and thrive.

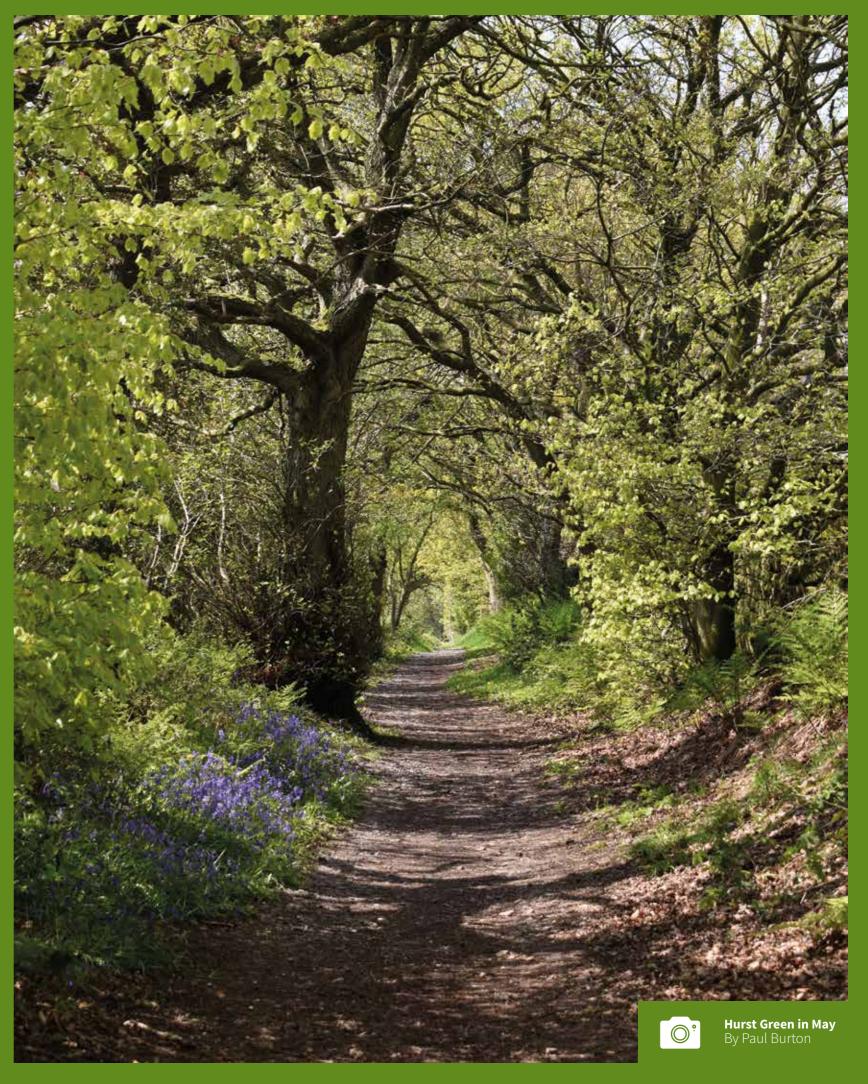
A walk in the woods is a step back into nature where it is possible to escape the stresses of modern day life with no crowds, cars, no computers, no 24-hour news, and no overload of information. A peaceful walk in the woods can be refreshing and revealing, with a new and dramatic view when you least expect it or a glimpse of a rare bird to surprise you. Look closely as you walk along so that you don't miss noticing beautiful wildflowers in the woodland glades or the lichen covered rocks, a sure indicator of natural clean air.

Whether you choose to mount a fell, follow a river or pursue a nature trail, the spectacular scenery will take your breath away whatever the weather. In Ribble Valley there are plenty of opportunities to discover beautiful places by following waymarked routes through these peaceful, sheltered places. Here are just a few ideas.

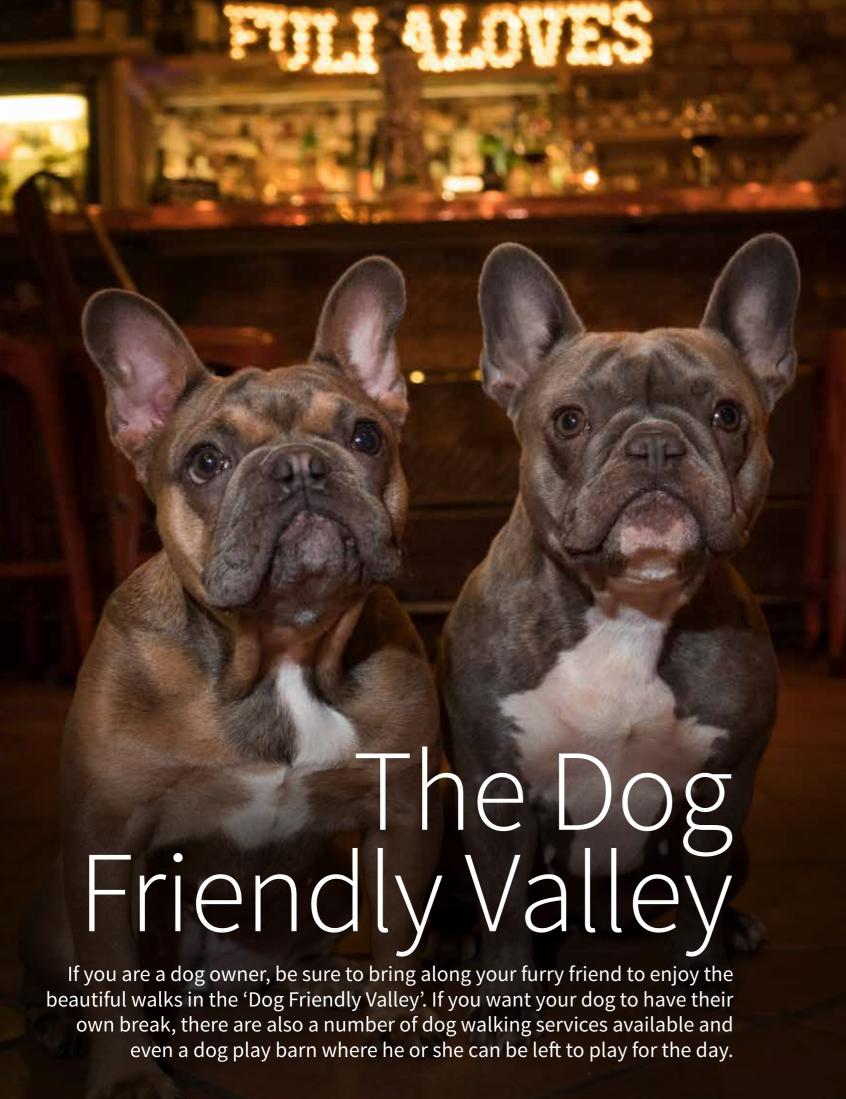
Spring Wood is a hidden treasure nestled in the rural surroundings of Whalley, endowed with winding woodland pathways and several picnic areas that are perfect for an edible pick-me-up. **Gisburn Forest** is a hub for avid hikers and mountain bikers alike, situated in the beautiful Forest of Bowland. This Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty provides a walking experience like no other, where reservoir and forest walks brush together with lush wildlife and vegetation.

Longridge Fell dominates the local area, boasting panoramic views across to the Fylde Coast, Yorkshire Dales, Pendle Hill and even the Lake District and Snowdonia on clear days. A walk through the network of forest paths leads to the summit of the fell for a view that is certainly worth the exertion!

DID YOU KNOW The Tolkien Trail owes its name to the author of the same name; follow in JRR Tolkien's footsteps and discover the wooded landscape that inspired him so greatly in writing the Lord of the Rings. Starting and ending in Hurst Green, the circular walk explores woodland and countryside where the renowned writer is known to have stayed.



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here is a good range of country pubs in the Ribble Valley, many of which have areas specifically designated for dogs to accompany their owners whilst they dine. The Spread Eagle, Sawley, was the voted as the winner of the Most Dog Friendly Tourism Business in Lancashire, with its very own dog menu, special canine drinks offer, dog friendly bedrooms and its incredibly welcoming approach to dog members of the family! Many of the dog friendly pubs in

Ribble Valley are known for their open fires with a truly homely feel, which is always perfect after an energetic walk, especially on a cold, frosty morning.

Well behaved dogs are also welcome in plenty of the places to stay across Ribble Valley. The Derby Arms, Longridge, is another country retreat which welcomes dogs, set in the perfect location for you to explore the open country and forests around Longridge Fell.

Many of the most popular walking routes tend to start and finish at a village inn, where you can always expect a warm

welcome, a roaring log fire, refreshing drink and a delightful home cooked meal.

Each month, The Aspinall Arms hosts a monthly special pub walk, where dog owners are welcomed to enjoy a fun-filled day of exploring the beautiful Ribble Valley countryside with their pets, whilst being able to meet other dog owners and their dog friends too! What better way to enjoy a perfect day of exploring the wonderful Ribble Valley.

If you want to find out more about local walks go to www.visitribblevalley.co.uk

Walking and walkies friendly

- Assheton Arms, Downham
- Aspinall Arms, Mitton
- Derby Arms, Longridge
- Higher Trapp Hotel, Simonstone
- Higher Gills Farm, Rimmington
- Foxfields Country Hotel, Billington
- Gibbon Bridge Hotel, Chipping

- Inn at Whitewell
- Mytton Fold Hotel, Langho
- Red Pump, Bashall
- Spread Eagle, Sawley
- The Keep at Pendleton
- The Three Fishes, Mitton
- Waddington Arms
- Wolfen Mill, Chipping

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The Aspinal Arms

The Aspinall Arms is a 19th Century coaching Inn, that sits on the banks of the River Ribble, overlooking the All Hallows' Medieval Church and Great Mitton Hall on a raised bluff opposite. Mitton, Clitheroe

Mitton Rd, Mitton, Clitheroe, Lancashire BB7 9PQ

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Open fires, wooden floors, old style furniture and traditional rugs, the Aspinall Arms pub is brimming with character, warmth and most importantly, a great atmosphere. In such a welcoming environment with many friendly faces, you will certainly be made to feel entirely at home here and will get the urge to want to head back again and again.

The Aspinall is the perfect place to relax and unwind, whether that is by the roaring fire on a large cosy chair, or in the substantial light-filled garden room, enjoying the wonderful views that overlook the terraced and landscaped riverside gardens. With plenty of space outdoors, this is another perfect spot to relax and enjoy the wonderful fresh country air, whilst enjoying a spot of lunch and a refreshing drink!

Sitting at the heart of the building is the central bar, which has six cask ales on tap, a back shelf crammed with malts, a great selection of gins and wines galore, an open fire and a stone flagged floor, so that walkers, cyclists and dogs will be made to feel at home!



Our team of fantastic chefs have produced a seasonal menu, with a spine of freshly prepared, classic English dishes, complemented by more exotic influences from various parts of the world.

If you'd like to reserve a table at the Aspinall Arms, you can do so by calling 01254 826 555 or booking online at www.aspinallarmspub.co.uk.

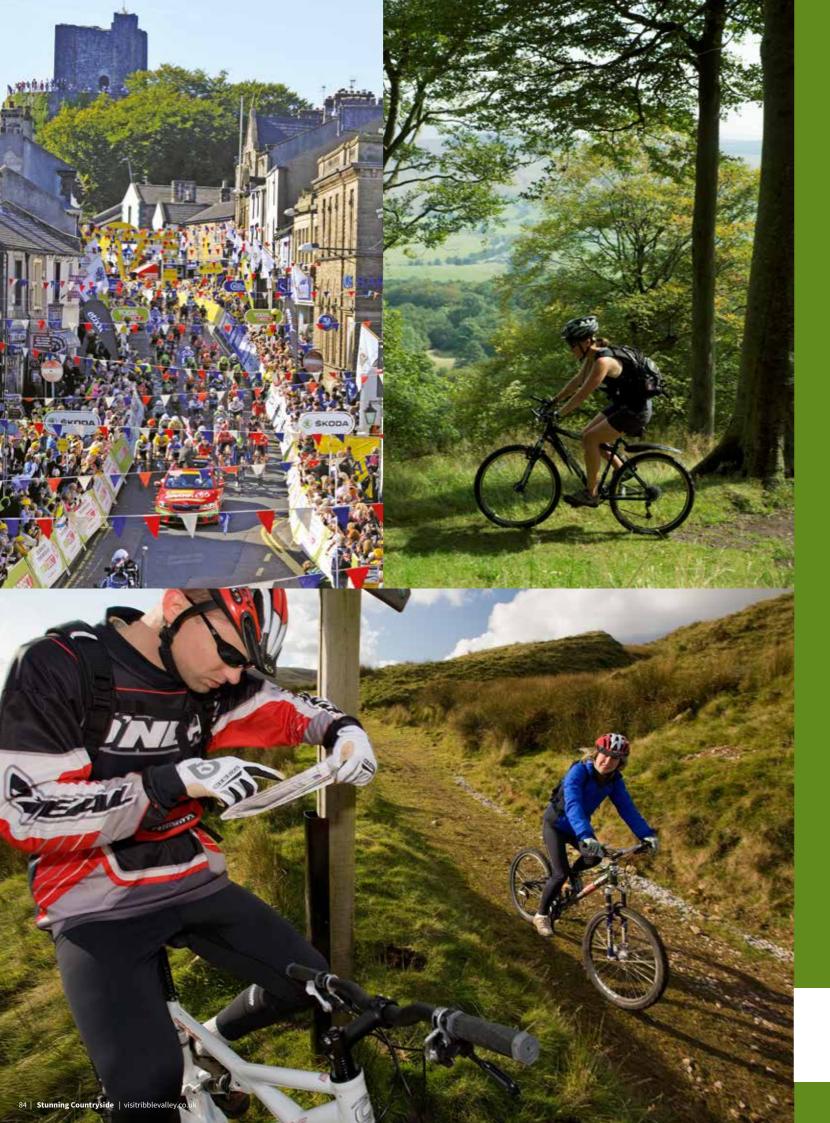
On our website you will also find more photographs of the pub, together with the days menu, wine lists and a brief potted history.











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Enjoy the Ribble Valley countryside on an unforgettable cycling adventure







May it be a gentle peddle around country lanes and pretty villages, or the excitement of getting off road, to enjoy cross country, tough terrain, you will find opportunities in Ribble Valley.

The Ribble Valley countryside offers an

abundance of traffic-free routes, many challenging landscapes and plenty of cycle-friendly pubs and cafes – all providing

Home to one of the most popular 'break-points' for keen off-road fans is Gisburn Forest; populated by many purpose built off road trails, all designed to get your adrenaline levels bouncing and to give an experience never to forget.

If you have never tried off-road biking, why not hire a bike and take advantage of the 'Skills Loop', located in the car park at Gisburn Forest Hub. This outdoor practice trail prepares you for

an entertaining day out on the forest tracks.

For something a little more relaxing, visit
the idyllic fells of Bowland and discover the magnificent views and absolute tranquillity

For ultimate Mountain Biking



Cycle Stops

- The Inn at Whitewell

Self-Catering

- Higher Gill Farm, Rimmington

- Little Town Dairy



CYCLE ROUTES

Visit our website for a full list of cycle routes including quiet routes in the area, directions and maps such as 'Bowland by Bike', 'Ribble Valley Villages', 'Tour of Pendle' and a 'Ribble Valley Cycle Map'. All available to download to your phone or to print. www.visitribblevalley.co.uk



4kids

Just a few minutes' walk from Clitheroe town centre and next-door to Battlestorm, you will discover the ultimate soft play centre for children under eight, 4Kids. This is a two-storey high indoor play facility, with everything from slides, ball pools, bouncy castles and lots more! There is plenty of space to relax here, so why not treat yourself to a coffee and cake whilst the younger ones run wild!

Location: North Street, Clitheroe BB7 1PG Tel: 01200 444644

Potter's Barn

Award-winning Potter's Barn in Ribchester is the perfect place to relax and unwind after a fun-filled family day out exploring Ribble Valley. Potter's Barn offers delicious home-made food, with children's menus available for the smaller guests too! Alongside the café, Potter's Barn also offers pottery painting sessions, which are available to experience at any time! You will also find a gift shop here, filled with unique treats to keep as a memory from your visit to Ribble Valley.

Location: Church Street, Ribchester, PR3 3YE Tel: 01254 878431



Outdoor Elements

Outdoor Elements offering a great choice of Birthday Parties for Ages 5+. Set in a beautiful woodland environment, there is a selection of exciting outdoor activity birthday party packages to choose from. Activities include: climbing trees, leap of faith, zip line, crate stack challenge, Jacob's ladder, archery, survival skills, orienteering, den building and welly walks.

Each party is led by a qualified instructor, there are free drink refreshments for all, free parking and party invites; plus Outdoor Elements can offer catering, making the whole experience more relaxed for you. For more information, go to www.outdoorelements.co.uk

Location: Pump House Dean Wood, Trapp Lane, Simonstone BB12 7JD Tel: **01282 416396**

Clitheroe Castle

Clitheroe Castle is the prime example of just how history can be brought to life for all members of the family. This historical landmark offers a modern interactive museum, a welcoming café and restaurant, lavish green gardens and excellent disabled facilities.

The Castle also has a fascinating 800 year old keep, with stunning panoramic views of Ribble Valley from here, for everyone to enjoy. Organised treasure hunts and oral history recording for younger children can also be enjoyed as they make their way through the Museum. Clitheroe Castle is the perfect place to explore with the family and adventure through the beautifully historic grounds.

Location: Castle Hill, Clitheroe, BB7 1BA



Bowland's Wild Boar Animal Park

Bowland's Wild Boar Animal Park is just one of the major attractions in Ribble Valley, nestled in the idyllic Chipping countryside. Here you will find something for all the family to enjoy, from taking a thrilling tractor ride around the grounds, to burning off some energy in the outdoor adventure play area, or even exploring the tunnels in the park's hay barn.

You can also meet some of the parks friendliest faces, such as the baby chicks, llamas, goats, deer and lambs! After you have finished exploring the park, you can then relax and unwind at the newly opened café with a hot drink and a hearty lunch, whilst absorbing the panoramic views of this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty.

Location: Bowland Wild Boar Animal Park, Chipping, PR3 2QT | Tel: 01995 61554 www.wildboarpark.co.uk

Mrs Dowson's Farm Park

Mrs Dowson's is a family-run dairy farm that is open to the public from March 2018 each Weekend, as well as School and Bank Holidays until Autumn. Every day is different on a farm and so the activities change with the seasons, the weather and the needs of the animal. Lambing time is one of the most popular times, but check out the website to find the latest news before you visit. The farm team are passionate about giving children the opportunity to see, touch and even handle, with supervision, our animals. The park has been built with one special feature in mind that it is safe and enjoyable for all. After being out on the farm, there is a cafe where you can back and relax with a coffee, home-made cake or even some of our famous home made ice cream. The café also has a safe play area for children.

Location: Hawkshaw Farm, Longsight Road, Clayton-le-Dale, Blackburn BB2 7JA Tel: **01254 812407 www.mrsdowsons.co.uk**



Ribchester Roman Museum

Take a trip back in time at Lancashire's only specialist museum, Ribchester Roman Museum. Here, you will find a collection of Roman artefacts, unrivalled anywhere else in Lancashire. The Museum is home to many of the finds from the Roman fort Bremetennacum Veteranorum – some parts of which have been exposed by excavation. You will also find a 3D interactive visualisation of the fort and settlement. The most famous find is showcased in replica, however the original helmet can be found in the British Museum collection.

Location: Ribchester, PR3 3XS | Tel: 01254 878261 www.ribchesterromanmuseum.org

Here are just a few of the many events which will appeal to children

Longridge Field Day

9th June | Traditional procession and family fun

Goosnargh & Longridge Agricultural Show7th July | Celebration of food, farming and rural living

Gisburn Forest: Gruffalo Spotters TrailsVarious dates | Family fun in the woods

Ribchester Roman Museum Festival7th & 8th July | Watch a Roman re-enactment

Clitheroe Food Festival

11th August | Tasty treats for everyone!



For even more great ideas and family events, visit the webpage at:

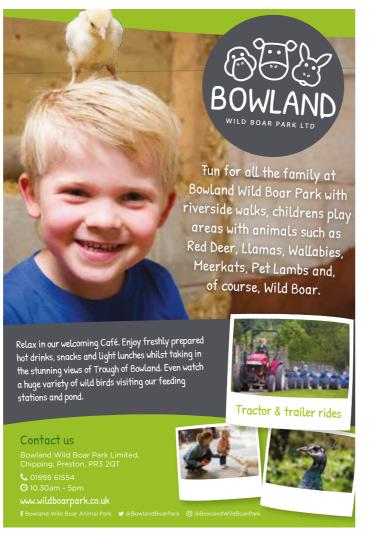
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Ribchester Roman Museum

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Ribchester Roman Museum is located on the north bank of the River Ribble a few miles upstream of Preston. It is situated in the middle of what used to be the Roman fort at Ribchester, a Roman cavalry base and command centre for the whole of the surrounding region. The Romans arrived in Ribchester around AD 70 and remained for almost 300 years during which time a civilian settlement called a vicus grew up around the fort.

The squadron of cavalry stationed at Bremetennacum Veteranorum, the Roman name for Ribchester, was made up of auxiliaries from the provinces of the Roman Empire. The original garrison comprised Asturians from Spain but were eventually replaced in the late 2nd century by a unit from the region that is now modern Hungary. They were Sarmatians and famed for their horse riding skills. The Sarmatians are also interesting because of their links with the myths and legends of King Arthur.

Roman Ribchester is brought to life by dramatic displays, which contain a life size cavalryman, Roman legionary and exciting interactive exhibits. Columns have been erected for the



first time in 2000 years and there are wonderful

objects, including weaponry, jewellery and

replica of the Ribchester Parade Helmet and

impressive sculpture of a cavalryman riding

museum can see the granaries that were used

for storing large volumes of wheat and other

dug around the fort can be seen in the field

opposite the west gate of the fort and there

are also remains of the Roman baths behind

the primary school. The impressive columns

that hold up the White Bull pub in the centre

of the village are genuine Roman artefacts.

foodstuffs. Part of the defensive ditch that was

leatherwork alongside favourites like the

down his Celtic adversary. Visitors to the

The museum also delves into Ribchester and the Ribble Valley's pre historic past and contains wonderful objects like the amazingly well preserved Bronze Age sword, Iron Age brooches and carvings.

The museum, which was officially opened in September 1915, hosts events throughout the year. Details can be found on our website.

Ribchester Roman Festival: 7th and 8th July 2018

Open all year round: Mon-Fri 10.00-17.00 Sat-Sun 12.00 - 17.00



A designated 'Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty', well-known for its scenic countryside, delicious food and famous landmarks, Ribble Valley is a place infused with history, holding a wonderfully rich heritage. Almost every period of English history is revealed in this extraordinary landscape.

From the earliest Roman settlements, to more recent sites of industrial heritage, there are glimpes into the past at every turn. Museums and trails provide a fascinating insight into how life in the valley used to be, with interactive displays bringing the past to life. Alternatively there are also plenty of places where the past can be explored and discovered for yourself.

CLITHEROE CASTLE

Award-winning Clitheroe Castle stands high on a limestone crag and is a major must-see landmark in Ribble Valley, with a fascinating interactive museum and keep. The museum will take you on an extremely interesting journey through 350 million years' worth of history, heritage and geology, all based on Clitheroe and the surrounding area. The castle's keep is free to explore and you can also enjoy panoramic views of the valley from this historic location.

Location: Castle Street, Clitheroe, BB7 1BA

Website: www.lancashire.gov.uk/leisure-and-culture/museums/clitheroe-castle-museum

Tel: 01200 424 568

HOLMES MILL

Close-by to Clitheroe Castle, you will find former textiles mill, Holmes Mill. Established in 1823, Holmes Mill has officially been brought back to life and has now been developed into a beautifully designed leisure venue, with its very own beer hall, food hall and hotel, as well as being home to the longest bar in the UK. To complete such beautiful décor, you will find some original features to keep the Victorian Industrial theme going, such as a large mill engine located in the 'engine room'.

Location: Clitheroe, BB7 1EB

Website: www.holmesmill.co.uk Tel: 01200 407120

WHALLEY ABBEY

The 14th Century Whalley Abbey is yet another famous visitor attraction, set in beautiful gardens and lush woodland beside the River Calder. Whalley Abbey grounds are open daily and are free to visit, with ample free parking outside.

Location: The Sands, Whalley, BB7 1SS

Website: www.whalleyabbey.org Tel: 01254 828 400





RIBCHESTER ROMAN MUSEUM

Located on the North bank of the River Ribble, you will find Lancashire's only specialist Roman museum, in the picturesque Roman village of Ribchester. The museum was built above the remains of the headquarters building of the Roman fort and opened up to the public, back in 1914. Each year, the museum holds an annual Roman reenactment, where visitors can come along and watch exciting and realistic demonstrations, based on the everyday and military life of the Romans. The museum is open each day of the week and there is an admission fee of £3.00 for adults, £2.50 for OAPs, £1.50 for children over 5 and free for children aged 5 and below.

Location: Riverside PR3 3XS

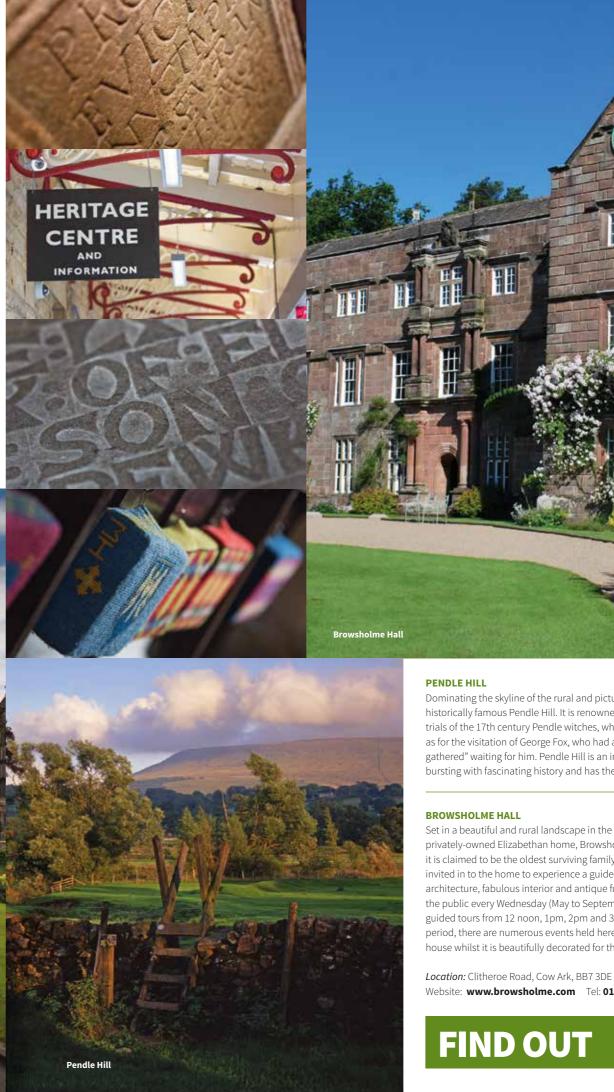
Website: www.ribchesterromanmuseum.org

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LONGRIDGE HERITAGE CENTRE

Longridge Heritage Centre allows people to collect information based on Longridge and the surrounding area. Open to the public, the centre enables you to browse through photographs or even experience one of the frequently changing exhibitions. A touch screen facility allows visitors to delve into the archived records, revealing a wealth of information relating to the heritage of Longridge. You may also attend talks on local heritage topics that are held throughout the year. The centre is open to the public on weekdays from 10am-4pm.

Location: The Old Station, Berry Lane, Longridge PR3 3JP Website: www.lhctrust.org.uk Tel: 01772 437958



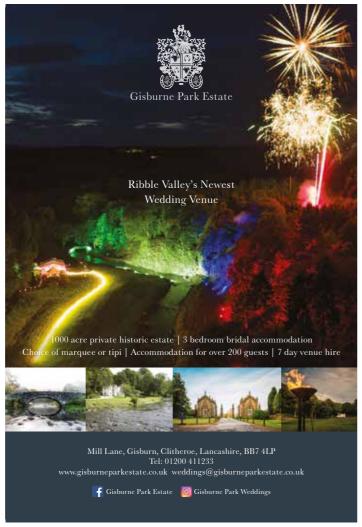
Dominating the skyline of the rural and picturesque landscape, lies the historically famous Pendle Hill. It is renowned for its connection with the trials of the 17th century Pendle witches, which took place in 1612, as well as for the visitation of George Fox, who had a vision of a "great people to be gathered" waiting for him. Pendle Hill is an incredibly atmospheric place, bursting with fascinating history and has the most stunning views to enjoy.

Set in a beautiful and rural landscape in the Forest of Bowland, you will find privately-owned Elizabethan home, Browsholme Hall. After 14 generations, it is claimed to be the oldest surviving family home in Lancashire. Visitors are invited in to the home to experience a guided tour and explore its beautiful architecture, fabulous interior and antique furnishings. The hall is open to the public every Wednesday (May to September): 11.30am – 4.00pm with guided tours from 12 noon, 1pm, 2pm and 3pm. Throughout the Christmas period, there are numerous events held here, where guests can visit the house whilst it is beautifully decorated for the festive season.

Website: www.browsholme.com Tel: 01254 827160

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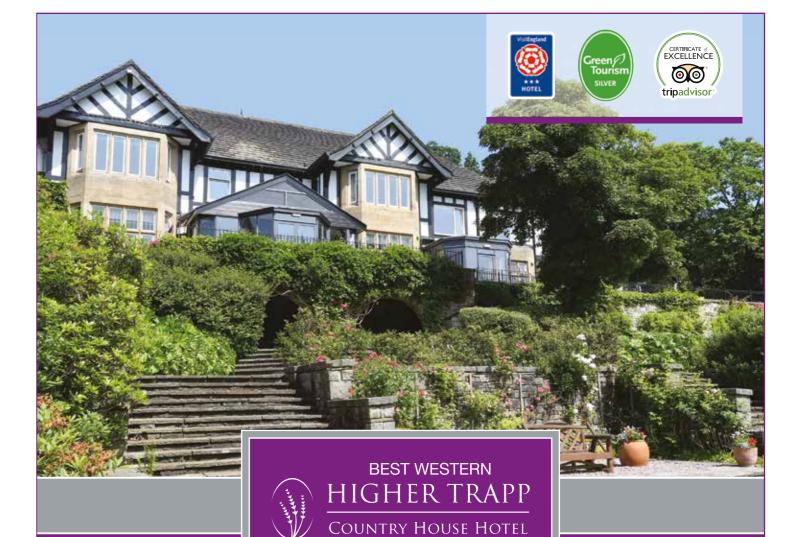












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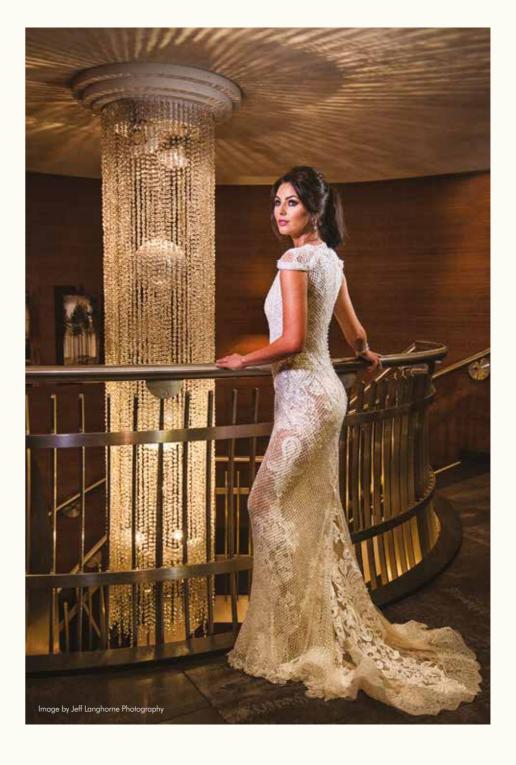
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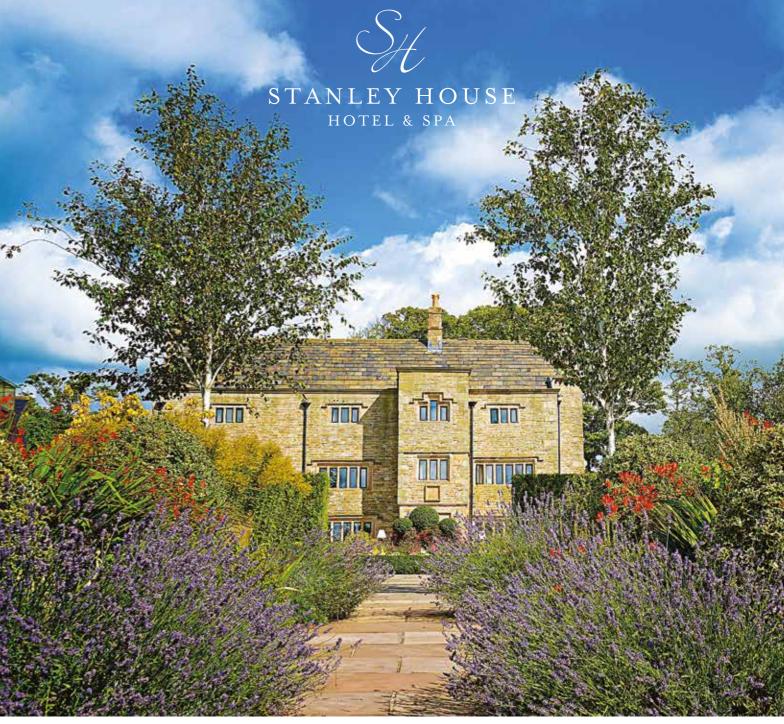
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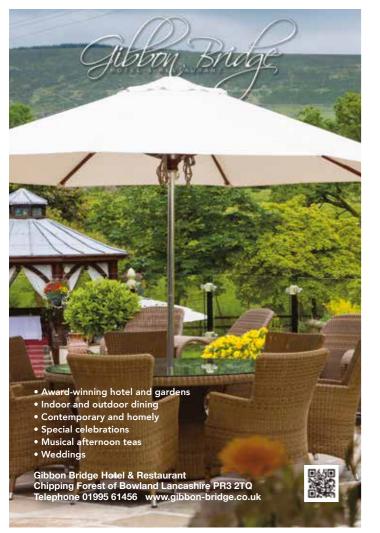


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The Best Western Higher Trapp offers the ultimate in charm, comfort and luxury.

Your stay is guaranteed to be memorable, from mouth- watering home-cooked food, complemented by a selection of cask ales and fine wines, to magnificent countryside views and personal service in the intimate setting of our country house.





ANGRAM GREEN FARMHOUSE B&B ***

Award-winning beautifully renovated and tastefully appointed farmhouse. Nestled at the foot of Pendle Hill with outstanding countryside views, delightful garden with summer house and rooftop sun terrace.

Individual and genuinely welcoming with quality home cooked breakfast. Ideal base for business, touring, walking,

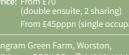
cycling and fishing. A59 one mile and the charming market town of Clitheroe two miles.

Wireless internet available. Free parking.









GIBBON BRIDGE HOTEL & RESTAURANT

Award-winning hotel and gardens

Our thirty spacious bedrooms and split level suites offer luxury accommodation in the Ribble Valley and provide an ideal retreat at the end of your day. The rooms range from standard doubles & twins to suites and VIP suites with the ultimate in luxury being the Staple Oak Suite.

Two of the rooms have been designed especially for guests with mobility special needs and are all on one level, close to reception

All the rooms are ensuite and a number of the suites have whirlpool baths; ideal for relaxing in after a day of walking.



ASSHETON ARMS

The Assheton Arms is an historic Grade II listed pub in the conservation village of Downahm, which dates back to the 8th century.

With 12 luxury bedrooms, suites and family cottages, the elegant countyr inn is famous for its sensational seafood specials, creative world food dishes and stunning views of Pendle Hill.

It has been awarded numerous accolades, including AA rosette and 5* rating, Good Pub Guide County Dining Pub of the Year 2015 and 2016, Lancashire Life Dining Pub of the Year and Lancashire Tourism Awards Pub of the Year.



GREENDALE VIEW

Greendale View is located on the edge of Downham and commands spectacular views across Ribble Valley, through to the Yorkshire Dales, Greendale View Kitchen is well known for its mouth-watering 'all day' menu of home-cooked fare, using local ingredients with a breakfast that is a feast to behold.

We have recently developed four double en-suite bedrooms, each beautifully appointed and available for bed and breakfast. We have ample free parking and we pride ourselves on our environmental credentials. We are:

- Located in the heart of the countryside, between the picturesque villages of Downham and Chatburn, with easy access to Pendle Hill
- Walker and cyclist friendly with secure cycle storage
- Fully licensed



BEST WESTERN MYTTON FOLD HOTEL & GOLF CLUB

Best Western Mytton Fold Hotel & Golf Club with its panoramic views over the Ribble Valley, is the ideal place to stay. This country hotel, once a thriving dairy farm, has been developed with love and passion over the last 33 years by the Hargreaves family. It is now the award-winning family-run hotel you see today.

- · Dog friendly
- 18 hole par 70 Parkland Golf Course . Modern conference FRFF to residents after 4pm
- FootGolf the fastest FREE Guest electric world!
- Weddings and
- and business facilities
 - growing sport in the car charging point
 - FREE Wi-Fi



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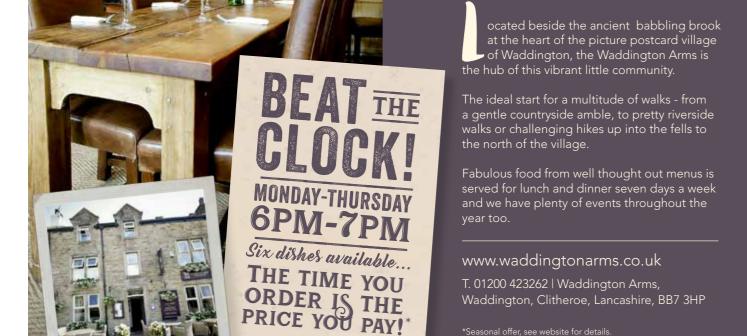
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Open log fires, antique furniture everywhere and 23 glamorous bedrooms. Seven miles of fishing, wonderful walking and dogs welcome Hotel of the Year 2017 Good Pub Guide.

Recommended by The Good Hotel Guide Michelin Good Food Guide.





FOXFIELDS COUNTRY HOTEL

Ideally situated in the heart of the beautiful Ribble Valley, only five minutes from both Whalley and Clitheroe.

The hotel is privately owned and impresses with its very spacious accommodation. The superior suites all have a lounge and dining area and a separate bedroom. These rooms have either a patio or balcony.

The Club rooms are also spacious and have a separate dressing area. The hotel has a gym, swimming pool, sauna and steam room for guests to enjoy during their stav.

Ideal wedding and function venue. Car parking for 150 cars, Free Wi-Fi.



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MITTON HALL

Mitton Hall is a country house hotel providing luxury accommodation at the heart of the fabulous Ribble Valley. Stunning interior design and decoration perfectly complement the ancient architectural features to create a contemporary country house hotel.

Both effortlessly beautiful and unashamedly romantic.

From a relaxing morning coffee or afternoon tea, to lunch or dinner and for everything in between.

SHORT BREAKS AVAILABLE. PLEASE SEE WEBSITE FOR DETAILS.



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It is the perfect place to eat, to drink, to sleep and most importantly for a village inn, it is also the perfect place to meet, relax and catch up with friends

WADDINGTON ARMS

Standing in the middle of the village from

which it takes its name The Waddington

Arms is very much at the heart of life in

the fabulous Ribble Valley.

old and new.

Fabulous food from well thought out menus is served for lunch and dinner seven days a week and 6 beautiful bedrooms provide a comfortable base for exploring the Ribble Valley, Lancashire and parts of West Yorkshire



location set in stunning grounds in the heart of the attractive and access to road and rail networks. An offering of four-star bed and breakfast with en-suite bathrooms, accommodating 28 guests in twin, double and single rooms, with a family room also available.

BB: from £48 pppn Open: All Year

WHALLEY ABBEY



NORTHCOTE

A small luxury hotel with a Michelin star restaurant situated on the edge of the

Offering 26 imaginative and inspired rooms which exude highly individual character, including eight suites in the

Northcote's restaurant is renowned for its fine cuisine and serves traditional Lancashire recipes with a modern twist, created from local produce by celebrated



Small Hotel AA Inspectors' Choice

Ribble Valley, in the heart of Lancashire.

new Garden Lodge.

local chefs Nigel Haworth and Lisa Allen.



Fran and Jonathan offer a warm welcome to their luxury B&B combining the charm and character of a traditional inn yet with a casual elegance with heritage colours, flag floors, oak beams and crackling open fires.

THE RED PUMP INN

Eight boutique bedrooms complete with French antique beds, 'Fluffy Slipper' comfort mattresses and powerful wet room showers. Seriously good Steak Restaurant & local cask ales.

Check out Trip Advisor reviews, Sawdays and the Good Pub Guide.



SHIREBURN ARMS

A historic 17th Century inn of great warmth and character at the heart of the Ribble Valley and home to the Tolkien

Homely yet contemporary interior design, totally in keeping with the character of the Inn, has that wonderful eclectic mix of old sitting alongside new.

Free Wi-Fi and Free Parking

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STANLEY HOUSE

HOTEL & SPA



THE SPREAD EAGLE

An unassuming but attractive coaching Inn nestling within the Forest of Bowland, an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, in the heart of the Ribble Valley.

On one side of the building flows the River Ribble, on the other are the remains of the 12th century Cistercian Sawley Abbey, and from a distance the magnificent and brooding Pendle Hill casts its shadow.

Seven luxury bedrooms with each room individually different makes The Spread Eagle the ideal place to stay, be it business



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A 250-year-old coaching inn at the heart of the thriving village of Whalley.

Six lovely en-suite rooms with all the modern home comforts - each individually furnished.

A vibrant, well stocked bar with award-winning real ales and good wines. Restaurant open all day for food from 12 noon until late evening - serving simple home cooked traditional favourites thoughtfully prepared with local produce.





WADDOW HALL

Waddow Hall is a 17th-century manor house overlooking the River Ribble and set in 178 acres of enchanting Lancashire countryside.

There are five fully-equipped campsites, a tented village, a choice of catered or selfcatered indoor accommodation, excellent training and conference facilities, and equipment provided for a range of exciting activities.

The following options are available: Fully catered in the Main Hall, self-catering in one or a combination of the six indoor accommodations camping.

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THE SPINNING BLOCK

The Spinning Block Hotel is situated at Holmes Mill and is a stunning conversion of the oldest building within the site.

The 38 individually designed and decorated bedrooms are the perfect base for the fabulous food, drink and entertainment on offer at Holmes Mill, and for exploring the attractions and countryside on our doorstep.

The ground floor of the Spinning Block is home to the 1823 Bistro, Bar & Grill - a most remarkable restaurant serving the most remarkable food & drinks.



CAMPING

ANGRAM GREEN CARAVAN AND CAMPING



Caravan & Camping Club Certified Site

Caravan and Camping Club certified site. Picturesque and peaceful site set on owners working sheep farm. At the foot of Pendle Hill with superb views across countryside and Ribble Valley.

A59 one mile. Clitheroe three miles

Price: per night including parking per pitch - tourers £10-£15, tents £10-£20.

CROSS LANE CARAVAN & CAMPING PARK



Cross Lane Caravan and Camping Park is situated on the southern fringe of the Forest of Bowland (an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty), nestling at the foot of Waddington Fell with outstanding views over Pendle Hill and the Ribble Valley. Well behaved dogs and owners allowed. Booking in advance is advisable to avoid disappointment.

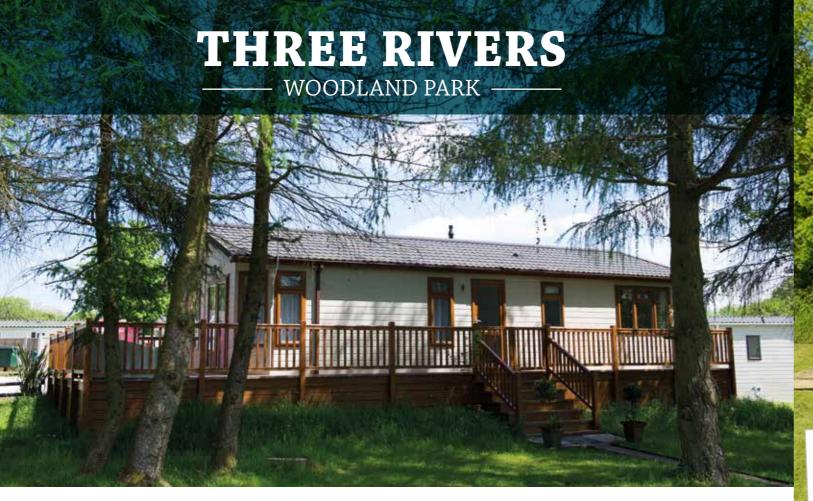




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Caravans with electric hook-up: £3 Tents: One man £7, Four man £10

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Tucked away in the beautiful Ribble Valley countryside, and set in 22 acres of ancient woodland, Three Rivers Woodland Park is a real escape into the countryside, and still conveniently only a couple of miles from the picturesque market town of Clitheroe.

Located within the Forest of Bowland, an Area of Outstanding National Beauty, the park has several footpaths and bridleways enabling you to discover the local countryside without the car.

With such a beautiful location, and an abundance of wildlife, it's easy to see why this family run park is managed in an environmentally sympathetic way.

Visitors will see major improvements this year with the park clubhouse undergoing a full refurbishment, including two bars, swimming pool, reception and an improved family room, allowing the kids to enjoy their own space. The addition of a new on-site shop, café and gym is also set to broaden the facilities.

The park already boasts two children's play areas and lots of green expanse, however new paths are planned for woodland walks, a lovely new terraced garden area, frequented by a wide variety of wild birds, is to have seating and a summer house.

The park's 50 week holiday home or year round residential licences make it the perfect place to own your own little piece of the Ribble Valley, or for a shorter stay, holiday lets are coming soon.







Your dream holiday home deserves an extra special location, and Three Rivers Woodland Park ticks all the boxes. So if you are considering a weekend away, your own holiday retreat to escape to, or looking for a beautiful place to live in the Ribble Valley, Three Rivers is definitely worth a look!

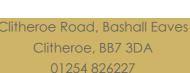
Why not pay a visit to the new showground or call the friendly, helpful staff for more details?

Three Rivers Woodland Park, Moor Lane, West Bradford, Clitheroe BB7 3JG



- Shepherd Huts (2018)
- King Size Bed
- Day Bed/ 2 Singles
- Wood Burning Stove
- En-suite Shower
- En-suite Toilet
- Steak House
- Cask Ale Bar
- Large Car Park





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An Elegant Rural Village Inn with a Friendly Welcome from Owners Frances & Gnathan

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Come Glowy





Having your own place to escape to in the heart of beautiful Ribble Valley countryside, could be described as a dream for most people, so owning a holiday home at one of the area's picturesque home parks provides that very opportunity with award-winning credentials for quality and environment excellence.

Each park has its own unique identity, each with a slightly different range of facilities but all have one thing in common - the opportunity to own a place in the peace and tranquillity of the countryside and the comfort of a modern and luxurious holiday home. To make a success of acquiring your dream home you need to follow these three simple steps:



Choose a park

One thing is for sure, go and take a look around a local park. You will receive a warm welcome and the information you need to help you make the right choice.

Choose a pitch

Within each park, pitches will vary, and one will probably suit you more than another. For example, you may prefer a home beside a river, or a quiet corner or close to facilities and you may wish to choose a sunnier or shadier plot.

Access and parking may also be a consideration for you.

Choose a holiday home

Once you have found the park of your choice, then is the time to choose your dream holiday home. The park owner will provide expert, practical help to ensure you have all the information for you to make the right choice.

Owning a holiday home in Ribble Valley is already a dream come true for many lucky people, so why not take a closer look around some of the area's most attractive parks.



Hackings Caravan Park

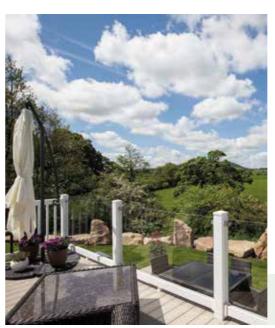
Hackings Caravan Park offers the perfect retreat within the natural beauty of the Ribble Valley, situated on the banks of the River Calder and on the edge of the historic village of Whalley. With wildlife and stunning views in abundance, this is an impeccable base to relax and unwind.

This award-winning park, which is licensed for 11 months, is immaculately maintained and managed by a hugely dedicated family team. This maintains its popularity with retired and semi-

retired Holiday Home owners. The park is personally supervised by resident owners, the Hacking family, whose sole aim is to ensure that your holiday home is enjoyable and carefree. You will find yourself surrounded by friendly, like-minded people who create a real community feel in the park. The family considers the park to be a labour of love and work tirelessly to manage its landscape. Simply contact us to make an appointment to look around Hackings and view available plots and homes.

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Shireburne Park

Located in the beautiful Forest of Bowland, Shireburne Park is set in the grounds of Shireburne House, a magnificent Victorian mansion house. The park is just one mile from the market town of Clitheroe and enjoys stunning views of Pendle Hill. Local walks offer scenic links to the town and also the picturesque village of Waddington.

Investing in your own holiday home means it is available whenever you want, whether it be for a weekend hideaway or a retreat for a longer holiday.

2018 sees newly developed pitches available with tarmaced drives and patio

areas; each offering stunning views across the Ribble Valley. We also offer the option to "try before you buy" in one of our two holiday homes to rent.

Family owned and managed we take pride in looking after our customers.

Open seven days a week, visitors are welcome to view the park and our range of luxury holiday homes, some of which benefit from a 12-month licence, which enables enjoyment all year round.

Contact us now to make an appointment to have a look around.

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Three Rivers Woodland Park

Set in 22 acres of its own ancient woodland and within the Forest of Bowland AONB, Three Rivers Woodland Park is the ideal country retreat, whilst still only 2 miles from Clitheroe. The park has spectacular views of the surrounding countryside, including Pendle Hill and is on several footpaths and bridleways that lead straight into it.

Having recently changed ownership Three Rivers is undergoing major improvements, with the newly extended clubhouse having a full refurbishment, including its two bars, swimming pool and family room, an all new reception area, site shop and cafe and a gym and other facilities on the way. The park also boast two play areas and lots of green space, with woodland walks, a secret garden and fishing pond all getting a new lease of life for you to enjoy.

The site's 50 week holiday and year round residential licenses make it the perfect place to own your own piece of the Ribble Valley. Your dream holiday home deserves an extra special location, so why not give the friendly staff at Three Rivers a call for more information.

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Let us design a bespoke, costed itinerary based on the requirement of your group. Please contact tom.pridmore@ribblevalley.gov.uk or call 01200 414496.

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Lancashire's Hidden Historic Gem

Browsholme Hall, situated in the stunning countryside of the Forest of Bowland, is the oldest surviving family home in the county palatine of Lancashire. Built in 1507 by the Parker family, Browsholme (pronounced 'Brusom') is not a museum but an historic family home that has evolved over 500 years, reflecting the lifestyles, taste and fortunes of each of the many generations who have lived there.

BROWSHOLME

The Parkers of Browsholme are descended from Peter de Alcancotes, who held the Manor of Alkincoats in Colne in the mid-13th century, and became park-keepers of Radholme Laund, one of the two great deer parks in the Forest of Bowland.

Subsequent generations have lovingly maintained, restored and added to this unique historic house. In 1804 Thomas Lister Parker pulled down the front of the west wing and rebuilt on the same ground plan adding a portrait gallery, then completed his ambitious programme of modernisation by landscaping the garden in the style of 'Capability' Brown. In 1975, Robert, the present owner, then aged 20, inherited the Hall from his distant fourth cousin, Colonel Robert Parker

Over the next 35 years the main Hall has been gradually restored, the exterior made wind and watertight, while the interior was redecorated, furniture repaired, pictures cleaned and their frames gilded. During the 1990's the arrival of a young family gave further impetus and good reason to occupy the whole Hall including the attics and making Browsholme truly a unique home.

In 2007, the 500th anniversary, plans were drawn to reuse the listed range of farm buildings on the approach to the Hall. Three years later the restoration of the early-18th Century 'Tithe Barn' was completed, providing a cafe for visitors, a venue for theatre, concerts and exhibitions, and a unique place for

Browsholme has been described as 'a jewel in the crown of Bowland' giving a rare insight into a living history of the many generations of the Parker family who have lived there. The family welcomes visitors to share with them an authentic slice of Lancashire history.

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Special Events 2018



Wedding Open Days

Sunday 25th Feburary Sunday 28th Octobe

The ultimate Wedding Meet the very best suppliers in Lancashire in the unique setting of the Tithe Barn

First Thursday each month April - Decembe

Come join us for fresh Italian style pizzas cooked in our outdoor, wood-fired

Book online



Pizza Nights Betsy Bumblebee

> Sunday 8th April Sunday 12th August Sunday 19th August Saturday 1st December

Guided tours of the Hall with a comedy twist.

Book online.



Garden workshops and demonstations

From April

More info online

Christmas Open Day

Sunday 2nd December

Decorated for Christmas. Hall tours and light refreshments. Dogs welcome

Christmas Open Day

Sunday 9th December

Decorated for Christmas Hall tours and light refreshments. Dogs welcome

Special evening tours to Special evening tours to be confirmed



Christmas Groups

Monday 3rd - Thursday 13th December

Decorated for Christmas, exclusive seasonal lunch and teas for groups with 'pop up' shops of artisan food and Christmas gifts.

Admission
Gardens and Tea Room 11.30am - 4.00pm • Hall Tours at 12 noon, 1.00pm, 2.00pm & 3.00pm.

May to September - every Wednesday. Sunday 6th May and Sunday 3rd June • Spring and August - Bank Holiday Monday. Booked parties and groups welcome at other times, by prior arrangement including special week before Christmas (3rd - 13th December), when the Hall is decorated in style for the family.

Hall and Gardens
Adults £10.00, OAPs £9.00, HHA Members free, Students £4.00, Children under 14 Family (2 adults and 2 children) £25.00

Gardens only: Wednesdays free, Sundays £4.50.

Exclusive Coach Tours and Groups

March - December by appointment from £9.00pp • School Groups £4.00.

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