

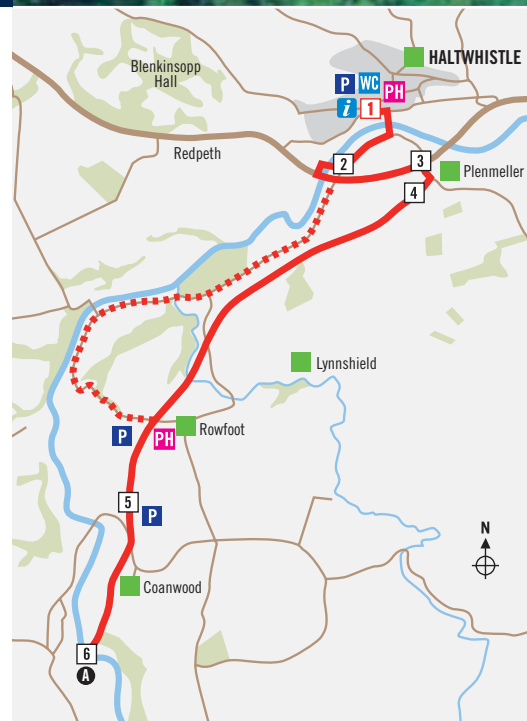
South Tyne Trail to Lambley Viaduct



ROUTE 5

This pleasant green and leafy route follows the former Haltwhistle to Alston railway line. Along the way you can see old station houses, platforms, tunnels and bridges - the most impressive of all being the 110 feet Lambley Viaduct, offering fantastic views of the wooded valley. The small market town of Haltwhistle, with its charming stone houses and close proximity to Hadrian's Wall, is also well worth a visit.

- 1 Start at Haltwhistle Railway Station. Turn right out of the station car park onto the main road then right again under the railway. Cross the river via the 'Blue Bridge' and turn right.
- 2 Follow the road as it passes under the A69 alongside the River South Tyne then turn left to join a path alongside the A69 (National Cycle Network Route 68 signs).
- 3 Turn right (signed 'Plenmeller'), then right through a gate onto the South Tyne Trail railway path.
- 4 Continue on the track crossing the road at Park Village and again at Featherstone Station. Leave the route here for the pub (turn left), or continue straight ahead to Coanwood.
- 5 Cross the road after Coanwood car park and continue along the track until you reach the landmark Lambley Viaduct.
- 6 Retrace your route as far as the Featherstone Station car park road crossing and pub. From here you can either retrace your route along the track (advised if cycling with younger children), or turn left on the minor road to follow the alternative road route (downhill past Featherstone Castle, along the river, uphill then left at T-Junction then downhill to join the original route at the A69 underpass). Retrace your route to Haltwhistle.



MAP KEY

- 1 ROUTE START
- TOWN/VILLAGE
- P PARKING
- PH PUB
- i TIC
- ALTERNATIVE RETURN ROUTE

POINTS OF INTEREST

- A LAMBLEY VIADUCT
- PLEASE SEE PAGES 56-61 FOR INFORMATION ON NEARBY ATTRACTIONS

HOW TO GET THERE

From the A69 follow signs for Haltwhistle. Parking at the bottom of Westgate. OS Map Grid Reference NY705639

TRANSPORT

To plan your route call Traveline on 0870 608 2 608, visit www.traveline-northeast.co.uk or www.northernrail.org

FACILITIES

Shops and accommodation in Haltwhistle & Hexham. Pubs at Haltwhistle and Featherstone/Rowfoot. Parking at Haltwhistle, Hexham, Featherstone/Rowfoot & Coanwood

ROUTE INFORMATION

START: Haltwhistle Train Station, Bypass Road Service Station (for cycle hire), Haltwhistle (for additional parking)

DISTANCE: 9 miles/15 km

GRADE OF RIDE: Easy (on railway path)/moderate (alternative route on road)

TIME: Half day

ROUTE SURFACE: Traffic-free railway path - suitable for all ages and abilities

HEIGHT LOST AND GAINED: Slight incline on outward journey, slight downhill on return

SUITABLE FOR: Any bike

BIKE HIRE: Available at Haltwhistle. See page 68 for cycle hire listings

TIC: Haltwhistle Train Station. See page 63 for listings and contact details

DETAILED MAPS & GUIDES FOR THIS ROUTE



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TIC and Northumberland
National Park Authority



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and Sustrans NE