

A RIVERSIDE RAMBLE AND  
PICNIC BESIDE THE RIBBLE

# WALKS with *Taste* in Ribble Valley



**Distance:** 4.6km / 3 miles

**Time:** 1½ hours

**Easy:** Some muddy  
/ boggy areas in the winter



**COACH & HORSES**



## THE COACH & HORSES

The Coach & Horses, a traditional Coaching Inn, is set in the idyllic village of Bolton-by-Bowland in the heart of the Ribble Valley. Newly renovated to restore its original glory, this Grade II listed inn comes with its own on site micro-brewery. Let the head chef take your tastebuds on a journey, with new and exciting dishes, served alongside pub classics done right. The menu is varied, using seasonal ingredients, locally sourced where possible. The owners and staff sincerely hope that their guests will appreciate the efforts and experience the same warm feelings whether they stay for a drink, a good night's rest or a delicious meal.

The Coach & Horses has seven beautifully created bedrooms, each of the bedrooms is unique, decorated in a style befitting a traditional Coaching Inn. Ideas, based on impressions from years of visits to many boutique hotels worldwide, have been drawn from to create a memorable experience.

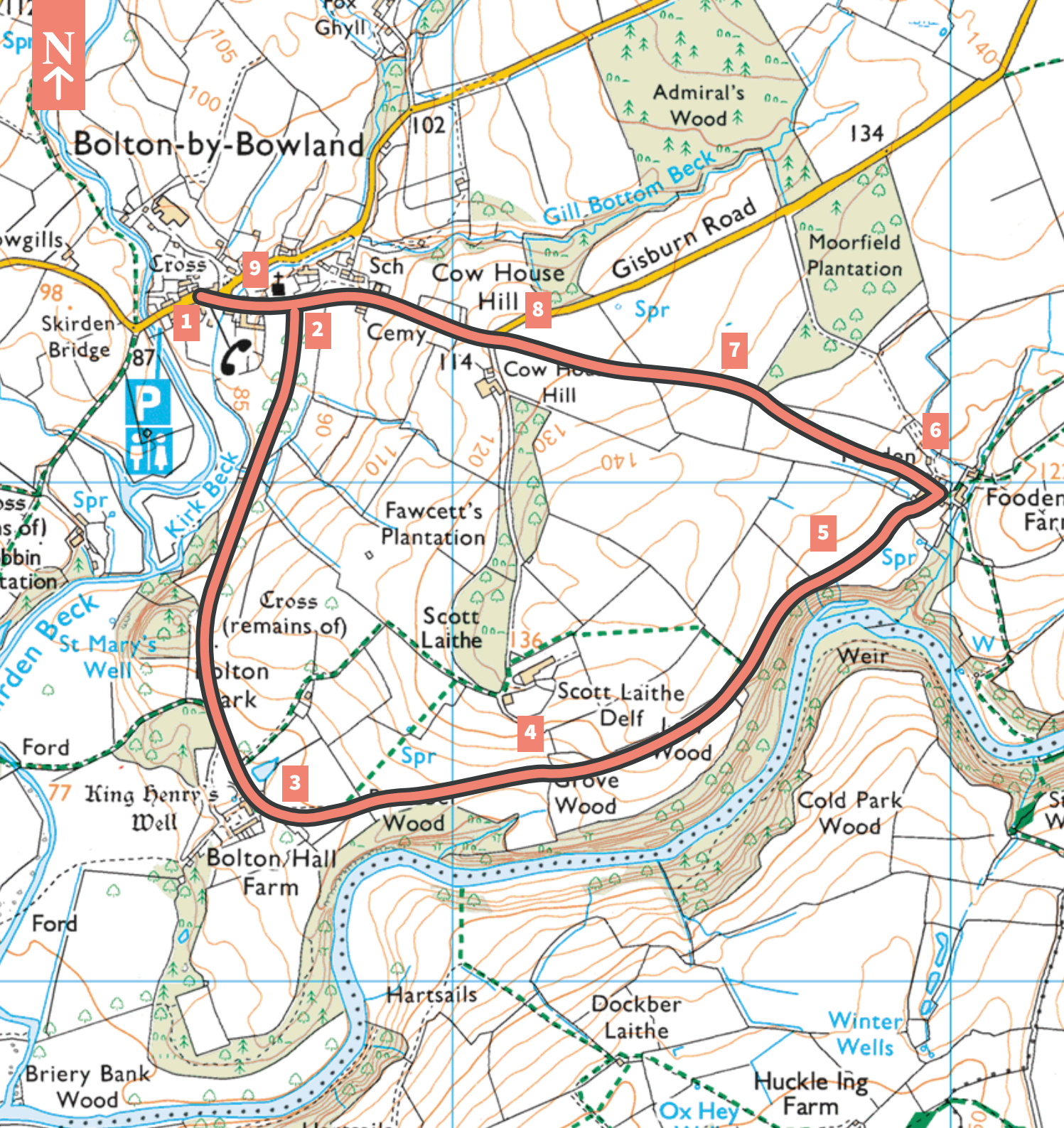
The Coach and Horses is ideally located for further exploration of the Forest of Bowland National Landscape, including such places as Pendle Hill, Gisburn Forest and miles of public footpaths right on the doorstep.

**Coach and Horses, Bolton by Bowland BB7 4NW**

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**In order to avoid disappointment, when planning to enjoy this Walks with Taste experience, it is recommended that you check opening times and availability of the venue in advance.**





# THE ROUTE

1. Leaving the Inn, walk across the small bridge and up the road passing the parish church on your left and then take the private drive on your right, marked King Henry Mews.
2. Continue down this private drive, which is fenced on both sides, and through an avenue of trees. Pass over a low stone bridge, with yew trees either side and continue up the drive, noting the large dramatic stone outcrop on your right, from which point on a clear day you should be able to view Pendle Hill in front of you. Continue down the hill along the same drive, passing over the stile beside the cattle grid, then fork left following the track with the wall on your right. Passing some cottages on your right, continue, bearing left, and before the last cottage, follow the track left, which begins with cobble sets and then continues as a rough track.



This route has been described on a certain date in time, and it is possible that certain physical changes may occur over time. In particular, old stiles may be changed for gates.

3. Reaching the converted barn, take the kissing gate on your left then follow in the direction the footpath sign points, across the field to the next kissing gate. Continue across the next field to a footbridge located just to the right of a small concrete shed.
4. Crossing the footbridge, continue straight on towards a stumpy tree, keeping the fence on your left until you reach the next stile. Crossing this, follow the path straight on, through a small fenced off plantation of young trees. The path rises towards the end of the plantation and at this point you may be able to hear the sound of the River Ribble deep in the gorge to your right.
5. Go through the next kissing gate and follow the path along the edge of the field until you reach another kissing gate, as you head towards Food Farm (keeping the hedge on your right). Just as you approach the first cottage take the kissing gate on your right, walk around the barn and left to the next kissing gate. Taking care down the steps, continue left up the track, through the farm and to the green gate between the sheds.
6. Go through this gate and bear right across to the kissing gate into the next field and then again to another kissing gate. Continue into the larger field and, keeping the fence on your right, walk to the top right-hand corner of the field at the top of the hill.
7. Continue through the kissing gate, and straight down the hill bearing slightly left to the next kissing gate. After this, continue down the hill, following the line of what appears to be an old ditch, also passing a line of old oak trees, to the final kissing gate at the road.
8. At the road, head left down the hill into the village, taking care as you walk along the roadside. You will pass the village graveyard on your right, then the school and the village green.
9. You will soon re-join the route where you started earlier, with the Coach and Horses Inn on your left - the perfect place to stop awhile for a drink or a hearty meal after your walk!

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## ON THIS WALK WITH TASTE



This walk takes in some beautiful Bowland scenery, on a clear day you will get a great view of Pendle Hill



### PARKING

Coach and Horses,  
Bolton-by-Bowland BB7 4NW

### MAPPING

Grid Reference SD 78414935  
OS Explorer OL41,  
OS Landranger 103

### DOG-FRIENDLY



Livestock will be grazing in most of the fields, so keep dogs under close control and ideally on a lead.

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