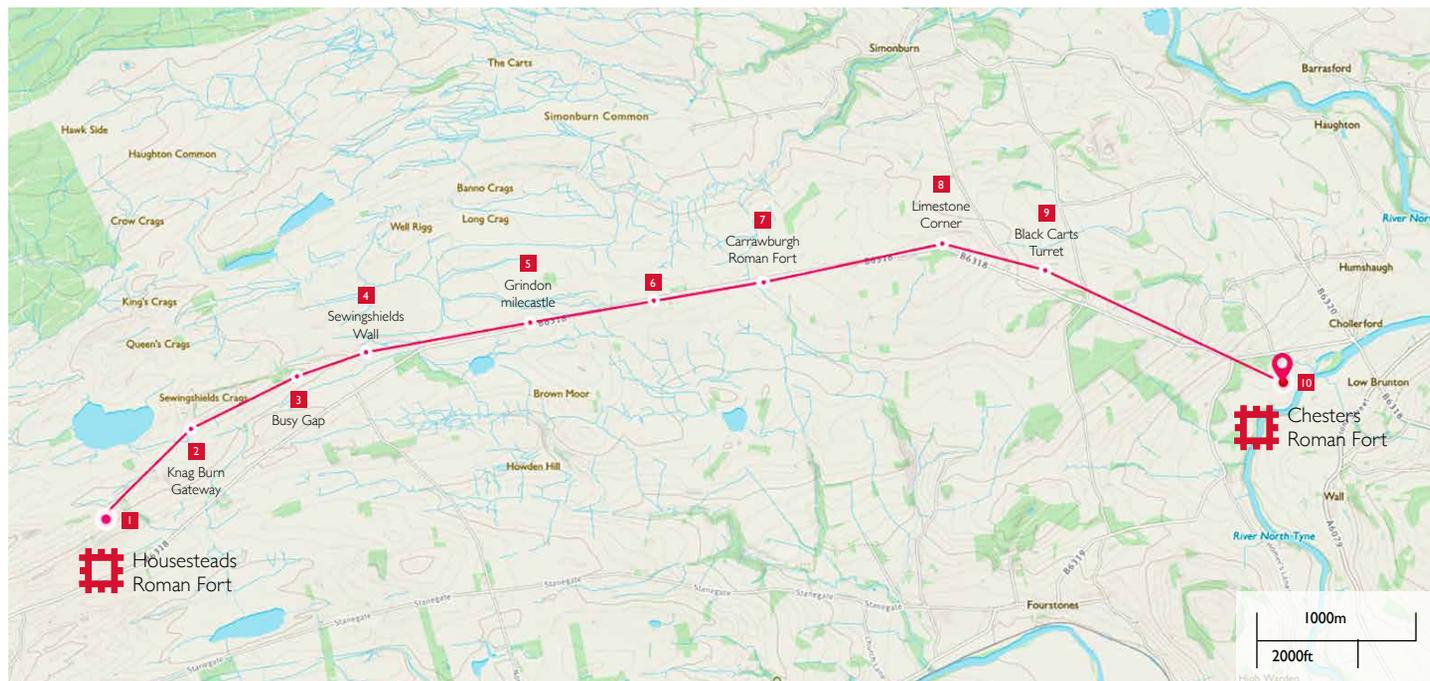


Housesteads Roman Fort to Chesters Roman Fort and Museum Northumberland



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Note: this map is intended as a guide only. We would always advise you to use these guides in conjunction with the OS maps referenced below. Please check the opening times of properties at www.english-heritage.org.uk before setting off.

Need to know

- **OS reference:** OS Explorer map OL43
- **Distance:** 9.6 miles/15.5km (six hours)
- **Difficulty:** 3/5
- **Terrain:** A moderate walk through woods and moorland with some stiles and clear waymarking
- **Access:** This walk is not suitable for wheelchairs
- **Dog walking:** This is a dog-friendly walk
- **Refreshments:** Drinks and food are available at Chesters Tearoom. Look out for refreshments along the route – often at the car park near Carrawburgh Roman Fort
- **Sat nav:** Starts Housesteads Roman Fort, Bardon Mill, Hexham NE47 6NN (01434 344363); ends Chesters Roman Fort, Chollerford, Hexham NE46 4EU
- **Grid reference:** Housesteads Roman Fort (grid ref NY794684) to Chesters Roman Fort and Museum (NY912703), Northumberland

Directions

- 1 The trail starts with a visit to Housesteads Roman Fort. From here, turn right and join Hadrian's Wall Path as it leaves the fort.
- 2 Continue east to Knag Burn Gateway, possibly an old customs post. The trail is clearly way marked with a field wall to the side.
- 3 Follow the wall and cross a stile to arrive at Busy Gap, where a drove road ran north in later times. A section of the original wall remains to the left.
- 4 Head through the gate and follow the wall over a series of hills until you reach the trig point atop the crag at Sewingshields Wall with a lovely view of Broomlee Lough.
- 5 After the milecastle at Sewingshields, enter the wood and head round the back of the farmhouse and continue on to Grindon milecastle under these trees.
- 6 Come down off the heights in to fields and walk along side the Military Road.
- 7 When the wall finishes, cross the road and continue east to Carrawburgh Roman Fort, adjacent to The Temple of Mithras, dedicated to the god of light. Visitors are in the habit of leaving coins on the altars.
- 8 Continue east to Limestone Corner, marked by a trig point. There are lumps of rock with cutting holes and the remains of iron wedges here.
- 9 Follow a stretch of the wall leading down through the gorse around Black Carts Turret before you continue east.
- 10 A stable block marks the final approach to Chesters Roman Fort and Museum. From here, the AD122 bus (hadrianswallcountry.co.uk/travel/bus) runs along the trail to Housesteads at 25 minutes past every hour from 9.25am to 5.25pm.