

Hadrian's Wall country is home to some of the UK's most spectacular landscapes, our **AD122** and **185** buses makes exploring them on foot easier than ever before. With your **AD122** rover bus ticket, you can hop on and off the bus, all day, joining any of the beautiful walks across the region.

Hadrian's Wall National Trail

The Hadrian's Wall National Trail follows the line of the Hadrian's Wall UNESCO World Heritage Site, passing through some of the most beautiful parts of Northumberland – from rolling fields and rugged borderlands to the vibrant cities of Newcastle and Carlisle – with dozens of fascinating museums, forts & attractions along the way.

Anyone who is reasonably fit can walk along Hadrian's Wall Path and the route is relatively easy. The 23 mile (37 km) section between Chollerford and Birdsowald, served by **AD122** and **185**, is the most difficult, with lots of short climbs and descents.

Hop on and off the **AD122** or **185** anywhere between Birdsowald, Greenhead, The Sill, Chesters, and High Brunton to explore the trail.

20 miles 40k steps Strenuous

Stroll to Thirlwall Castle walk

Between the 12th and 15th centuries, life in Hadrian's Wall country was dangerous and unstable.

Important families such as the Thirlwalls protected themselves against attack by building strong defensible homes like the one here at Thirlwall Castle.

Stroll along the Hadrian's Wall trail from the Roman Army museum to Thirlwall castle through Walltown Quarry country park.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions, there's currently no access to Thirlwall castle.

Join the walk at Greenhead or Walltown museum or country park from either **AD122** or **185**

2 miles 4k steps 2 hours Easy

Haltwhistle Burn walk

A circular route initially following the World Heritage Roman Wall route before heading off right over the Military Road down to Haltwhistle with great views of the Tyne valley.

At Haltwhistle you have the option of refreshments before returning back to Cawfields Quarry and Craggs via Haltwhistle burn with its wonderful flora and interesting mineworkings.

Connect from **AD122** at Haltwhistle or Milecastle Inn

6 miles 12k steps 4+ hours Strenuous

Housesteads & Vindolanda circular walk

Enjoy a walk along the most scenic part of Hadrian's Wall, involving some short, sharp ascents. Take time to visit Housesteads, Vindolanda Roman forts, Stanegate Roman road and The Sill.

Connect from **AD122** at The Sill, Vindolanda or Housesteads

7½ miles 15k steps 4+ hours Difficult

A Barbarian view of the Wall walk

Follow the Hadrian's Wall Path National Trail for part of the way, then go north into 'Barbarian territory', giving you a view of the Wall snaking along the Craggs to the south.

Connect from **AD122** at The Sill

4 miles 8k steps 2+ hours Strenuous

Chesters & Humshaugh walk

Refreshments at the Crown Inn, Humshaugh, the George Hotel in Chollerford or the tea rooms at Chesters Roman Fort.

Connect from **AD122** at Chesters or 680 at Humshaugh

2 miles 4k steps 1 hour Easy



Walltown Craggs

Walltown Craggs is one of the finest places to see Hadrian's Wall, where it snakes and dives through dramatic countryside along the crags of the Whin Sill.

Catch the **AD122** to Walltown Quarry country park then stroll along Hadrian's Wall path towards Milecastle 45 & Cawfield.



Birdsowald Roman fort

At Birdsowald, you can still see the remains of all of the Wall's defining features. Stand in awe as the longest remaining stretch of the Wall spans as far as your eye can see, and explore the ruins of the Roman fort, a turret and milecastle.

Delve into the story of the most famous Roman frontier with a new exhibition in the visitor centre.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions, you'll need to book your visit to Birdsowald in advance. See the English Heritage website for more details.

Tynedale Links **185** stops right outside the fort, or you can catch the **AD122** to Greenhead and take a 1½ hour walk to the Roman fort.

Visit gonortheast.co.uk for **185** times, or pick up a copy of our Hexham & Corbridge bus guide from Hexham bus station or from your driver.



Roman Army Museum

The museum is an authentic and dramatic tribute to Rome's extraordinary military legacy. Step into the life of a Roman soldier & experience life on the front line of Emperor Hadrian's formidable frontier.

Their 3D film Edge of Empire immerses you in what life was like for soldiers on Hadrian's Wall.

The museum displays bring to life the organisation and discipline of the Roman Army, the many different roles and duties of the soldiers, their equipment and training as well as daily life.

The Museum pays unforgettable homage to Rome's military accomplishments in Britain.

The **AD122** conveniently stops right outside Walltown Roman Army museum.



Vindolanda Roman fort

Vindolanda is one of Europe's most important Roman archaeological sites. The site itself comprises nine forts built on top of each other. Soldiers from all over the Roman Empire, including Belgium, Germany and France were garrisoned here.

The visible stone fort dates to the third century and the impressive remains include the fort walls, the headquarters building, the Commanding Officer's house, granaries and barracks.

The on-site museum down the hill to the east of the fort provides a magnificent display of the many stunning objects found during the excavations.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions, you may need to book your visit in advance. Visit www.vindolanda.com for more details.

The **AD122** conveniently stops right outside Vindolanda.



Steel Rigg & Crag Lough

Change at The Sill for the short walk to Steel Rigg or continue to walk along the iconic Wall path to Sycamore Gap & past Crag Lough.

Take the short walk from The Sill on **AD122**.

Steel Rigg a view of Crag Lough



The Sill National Landscape Discovery Centre

Located on Hadrian's Wall, The Sill is there to welcome and help you understand the wonderfully diverse landscapes, inspiring you to go further and find your own adventure in the great outdoors.

It's your "go to" destination for Northumberland National Park and Hadrian's Wall World Heritage Site, where the friendly team will help you make the most of your day!

Due to Coronavirus restrictions, you should check thesill.org.uk to see when it opens for 2021.

Every **AD122** journey stops directly outside The Sill.



Housesteads Roman fort

Set high on a dramatic escarpment on Hadrian's Wall World Heritage Site, Housesteads Roman Fort takes you back to the Roman Empire. Wander the barrack blocks and the hospital. Peer into the oldest toilets you'll ever see, and admire the stunning panoramic views from this ancient fortress.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions, you'll need to book your visit to Housesteads in advance. See the English Heritage website for more details.

The **AD122** conveniently stops in Housesteads car park.



Chesters Roman fort

Come and see what life was like at one the Roman Empire's most northern outposts. Chesters Roman Fort is the most complete Roman cavalry fort in Britain – wander around the unusually well-preserved baths and steam room, and the officers' quarters.

Due to Coronavirus restrictions, you'll need to book your visit to Chesters in advance. See the English Heritage website for more details.

The **AD122** conveniently stops right outside Chesters entrance.

