THE DALBY FOREST PROJECT:
incorporating urban values and aesthetics into a Regional Centre of Excellence for Sustainable Economic Activity.

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Welcome to Dalby the Great Forest

Yorkshire

£7.00
£2.00
£12.00

Season pass £35.00

Coaches by appointment only

Forest closed 8.30pm to 8.30am

No overnight stays

No off-road bikes or quads

Forestry Commission England
Original brief given to the Forestry Commission...

- plant, grow and manage softwood species
- as quickly as possible
- as cheaply as possible
1930’s...

- National Forest Parks (first one in Argyll, Scotland)
• The landscape reflects national life because it is always changing in response to human needs...
Yorkshire
Alive with Opportunity!
Yorkshire + the Humber Region...

- covers an area of 15,512 square km
- almost 12% of England’s land mass
Map 5

Urban Areas and Living Deprivation vs Accessible Woodland

Key
- Local Authority Boundary
- Urban Areas
- Accessible Woodland
- Low Deprivation
- High Deprivation

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the value of trees in our changing region
Map 13

Life Expectancy v Accessible Woodland

Key
- Local Authority Boundary
- Accessible Woodland
- Decreasing Life Expectancy

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RURAL FRAMEWORK

• Rural Business Development
• Employment, Education + Business Training
• Market Towns
• Sustainable Tourism
• Access to Services
• Rural Transport
• Rural Housing
• Rural Communities
• The Natural Environment
• The promotion of a ‘Functional Landscape’
Concept of the Dalby Project...

- Extend the length of visitor’s stay, both on site and in the sub-region;
- Establish an integrated transport hub;
- Expand the public’s and business’ understanding of forestry;
- Develop a Centre of Excellence for mountain biking;
- Provide a ‘state of the art’ visitor centre building.
Job done!

- Courtyard Development open for business July 2005
- Visitor Centre open April 2007
Mountain Bike Trails

Follow the Forest Cycle Code

1. Expect the unexpected - keep your speed down.
2. Remember other vehicles use forest tracks as well as you!
3. Give way to walkers - be friendly towards other forest users.
4. Hold a horse and avoid an accident!
5. Barger! Do not pass any vehicle being led. Stop until you have been led to do so.
6. Barger! Keep away from forest operations.
7. Footpaths are for walkers only!
8. Cycle with care and come back again!

Personal Safety

Make sure you and your bike are fit enough and fully equipped to enjoy your cycling in the forest.

Always wear a helmet and follow the cycle code. Routes may change due to tree felling and other operations.

You should expect to encounter a variety of surface conditions when cycling in the forest.

Essential Information

Nearest telephone: Low Dalby Village O.S. grid ref. SE857874

Nearest hospital: Matlock, Norton and District Hospital, Tel: 01663 693041 or Scarborough Hospital, Tel: 01723 398111

Nearest Garage: BP, Matlock Road, Pickering

Nearest bike parts, service and repairs: Purple Mountain, Low Dalby Village 01751 480011

In Case of Emergency call 999 or 112

Dalby by the Great Yorkshire Forest

Explore, enjoy, discover

GREEN BEGINNERS / FAMILY
6 Miles (9.6km) 2 hours from Adderstone. 2.5 Miles (4km) 1 hour from Low Dalby.
A couple of short rides on mostly flat terrain. No special skills required. Includes short single track sections. Suitable for most people in good health.

BLUE EASY / MODERATE
8 miles (12.8km) 2.5 hours. Start in Low Dalby. Intermediate cycle/mountain bikers with basic off road riding skills. A simple route on mixed terrain, steep in places. A good standard of fitness required.

RED CHALLENGING
23 Miles (37km) 4 hours. Start at Low Dalby, Adderstone or Crosscliff.
A long route, or a series of shorter routes, on variable terrain. A wide range of steeper, tougher climbs and descents of a challenging nature. Riders need good technical ability and higher level of fitness.

BLACK HIGHLY TECHNICAL
6.5 Miles (10.4km) 1.5 hours. Start at Adderstone. A short but physically demanding route. Some very steep climbs and purpose built descents, needing a very high level of technical ability and fitness.

Forestry Commission
Web address: www.forestry.gov.uk/cycling

North York Moors, Outgang Road, Pickering YO18 7EL 01751 472771 www.forestry.gov.uk
Welcome to Dalby the Great Yorkshire Forest

Situated on the southern slopes of the North York Moors National Park, Dalby Forest offers something for everyone. Looking to relax? Then why not take your time and wander one of the many waymarked trails and take in the sights and sounds of nature. Looking for thrills? Dalby Forest has some of the best mountain bike trails in the country and the Skills Zone is guaranteed to get your heart racing.

Or if you are here with your family, take advantage of the playground or splash in the crystal clear waters of the beck. Use the map above and the buttons below to see where Dalby can take you!
ALL MOORSBUS SERVICES OPERATE ON:
- Sundays and Bank Holidays from 1 April to 28 October.
- Daily from
- Monday 23 July to Saturday 1 September.

Buses leave here at:
To Steindale Lake: 1000, 1140, 1430, 1700
To Aidenstone: 1000, 1140, 1430, 1700
To Steindale Lake, Aidenstone, Knapton & West Ayton:
To Thornton & Dale Car Park:

Timetables available from Information Centres or phone 01845 597000
www.moorsbus.org.uk

The Moorsbus Scheme is a Service of the North York Moors National Park Authority, and is supported by North Yorkshire County Council.
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Big Bank Holiday Build

Join us for a great time designing and building a den from natural materials found on the forest floor

MONDAY 26th MAY

Meet
Havigate (Grid Ref. SE 853 860)

Time
10.30 - 12.30 or 2.00 - 4.00

Cost
£5.00 pp
Family of four £15.00

Suitable
Age 7-13 yrs / families
Under 12s to be accompanied

Booking
Booking essential
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Clothing
Suitable outdoor clothing

Dogs
Not suitable for this event

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Tuesday
27th May

Map Reading
Made Easy

Learn how to read a map
Use your skills on a Dalby walk
Meet Visitor Centre 10am-2pm
Bring a packed lunch
Suitable outdoor clothing
Maps supplied or bring your own
Dogs welcome for the walk only

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Please do not bring bikes into the toilet block.
The answers to the problems of the countryside, including forestry, can only really be found in the towns and cities, not in the countryside...
Thank you for listening.....