

## DISCOVER

# Robin Hood's Bay & Fylingthorpe

Near Whitby, North Yorkshire

## Visitor Guide & Village Maps



Sea, Sand, Secret Streets & Smugglers

*Come to stay or come for the day  
a place for all seasons*

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## About



Robin Hood's Bay is a picturesque old fishing village on the Heritage Coast of the North York Moors. It is a fantastic place for adults and children alike with a beautiful family and dog friendly sandy beach, as well as rock pools to explore and ancient fossils to discover. Wandering through its narrow, twisting cobbled streets and alleyways, you can easily imagine the sailors and fishermen, smugglers and press gangs that walked these streets hundreds of years ago.

Today it is a vibrant village, with a wide range of cafes, pubs, restaurants, small shops and places to explore, as well as many stunning coastal and country walks, cycle-paths and bridleways right on the doorstep. There is something here for everyone, from live music and painting workshops to ghost walks and fossil hunting.

## Special Events

June 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>: **Folk Weekend**

December 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup>: **Victorian Weekend**  
Festive Fun, Past & Present

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## Stay



There is a wide range of high quality accommodation in and around the village, making Robin Hood's Bay a great place to stay. With easy access to both Whitby (10 minutes drive or bus) and Scarborough (30 minutes drive or bus), together with other parts of the stunning North York Moors National Park and Heritage Coast, where better to stay for a short break or a longer holiday.

We have accommodation to suit everyone. Camping and Caravanning in idyllic surroundings, Hotels and Bed & Breakfasts in places steeped in history and built for the wealthy sea captains of years gone by, Farm House luxury and of course self-catering in Cosy Cottages, Annexes, Apartments and Houses.

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## SEE & DO

- Old St Stephen's Church** Like a retired sailor, Old St Stephens stands on the hillside above Robin Hood's Bay, gazing out on fantastic views of the coastline, remembering lives lost to the sea in the crowded, picturesque graveyard. Open daily throughout the year. Further keyholder information displayed in the Church porch. Tel: **07874 053289**
- Farsyde Riding Centre** Hacking for experienced riders and trekking for novices in outstanding coastal and country scenery. Ride along the old rail path, beach, fields and moorland for 1-3 hours. Qualified supervision. Prior booking essential. Mob: **07800 962117** Email: [farsydefarmcottages@gmail.com](mailto:farsydefarmcottages@gmail.com)
- Bay Museum & Archives** The old Coroners Room and Mortuary house exciting displays about smuggling, fishing, shipwrecks and local history. See website for museum opening times. Archives open by appointment. Free entry, donations appreciated, school parties by prior arrangement at any time. Email: [museum@rhbay.co.uk](mailto:museum@rhbay.co.uk) Web: [museum.rhbay.co.uk](http://museum.rhbay.co.uk)
- North Yorkshire Off Road** Land Rover 4x4 Off Road Driving Experiences. Spectacular coastal off road course overlooking the bay. Novice and experienced drivers welcome, even juniors aged 10+ can drive. Experienced, qualified and DVSA approved instructor. Choice of Land Rover vehicles available. Advanced booking essential. Tel: **07787 555060** or email [colin@ukLANDROVERevents.com](mailto:colin@ukLANDROVERevents.com) to book or visit [ukLANDROVERevents.com](http://ukLANDROVERevents.com) or [nyoffroad.co.uk](http://nyoffroad.co.uk)

## FOOD & DRINK

- The Victoria Hotel** Offering luxurious en-suite accommodation with parking and stunning sea views. Enjoy a varied menu of freshly prepared dishes using locally sourced ingredients in our panoramic Sea View Orangery and Restaurant. Choose from a fine selection of local hand-pulled ales in our traditional Yorkshire bar or a delicious cream tea from our cosy tearoom. Take in the sea air and those breath-taking views in our spacious beer garden and patio areas. Available for weddings and special occasions. Tel: **01947 880205** Email: [stay@victoriarhb.com](mailto:stay@victoriarhb.com) Web: [victoriarhb.com](http://victoriarhb.com)
- Falling Foss Tea Garden** Set in the heart of Sneaton Forest, this natural beauty spot is truly a magical place. Enjoy a walk in the woodland, let the kids paddle in the beck, or perhaps enjoy a game of pooh-sticks before you relax and unwind in the tea garden situated beside the magnificent Falling Foss Waterfall, 5 miles inland from Robin Hood's Bay. Midge Hall, Falling Foss, Sneaton Forest, Whitby YO22 5JD Tel: **07723 477929** Web: [fallingfossteagarden.co.uk](http://fallingfossteagarden.co.uk)
- Brambles Bistro** A cosy and casual Bistro, right on the beachfront. Serving great quality local dishes, burgers, and steaks, fresh from our chagril. We're truly independent, and proud to work with local suppliers to bring you the very best of Yorkshire. Whether you're after a late brunch, a quick lunchtime treat, or a romantic candlelit evening, you'll find a warm welcome and fantastic atmosphere. Children under 12 welcome before 6pm. Small, well behaved dogs welcome. Tel: **01947 880094** Web: [bramblesbistro.co.uk](http://bramblesbistro.co.uk)
- The Bay Hotel** Situated in the Dock at the bottom of The Bay with panoramic views and the Nautical North Sea Beer Garden. Open 365 days a year 11.00am-11.00pm. Food served until 9.00pm including all day breakfast. Bookings taken for food, accommodation and functions. Tel: **01947 880278** Email: [the.bayhotelrhb@live.co.uk](mailto:the.bayhotelrhb@live.co.uk)
- The Gallery, on the Quarterdeck** Lunch on the beach with the best views in Robin Hood's Bay. Freshly ground coffee in a mug, speciality teas. Hot chocolate with cream topping. Shmoo milk shakes (milk alternatives available) toasted panini, delicious home-made soup. Selection of sandwiches made to order, including fresh Whitby crab and our famous donuts. Web: [galleyinthebay.co.uk](http://galleyinthebay.co.uk)

## AMENITIES

- Fylingdales Village Hall** Serving Robin Hood's Bay and Fylingthorpe, and the wider parish of Fylingdales. Situated on the main car park at the top of Robin Hood's Bay. The hall is available for groups or individuals to hire for dances, plays, parties, sports events, meetings, training courses, fundraising events and wedding receptions. Contact Suzanne Lister. Tel: **01947 881091** for further information, or visit: [villagehall.rhbay.co.uk](http://villagehall.rhbay.co.uk)
- Bubble & Squeak Vehicle Wash** A171 at Hawsker. Whether you are local, or a regular visitor, you can join our vehicle wash club. First class system, best value around. Spot-free rinse, free vacuum, open 24 hours making vehicle cleaning a pleasure! Please ring Rob Rymer for details and a colour leaflet. Tel: **01947 880021** Mob: **07802 984692**

## SHOPS

- Barn Antiques** Antiques and household collectables. Unique collection of antiques, including furniture, fireplaces, lighting and household/garden accessories. Delivery, household clearance and removal service also available. Open Mon-Sat: 10.00am-5.30pm. Sun: 11.00am-4.00pm. A171 between Whitby and Scarborough, near Flask Inn Holiday Park. Tel: **01947 880393** Mob: **07791 939616** Email: [barnantiquesa171@gmail.com](mailto:barnantiquesa171@gmail.com)
- The Old Drapery** We offer a selection of Coast-to-Coast memorabilia from T-shirts, certificates, magnets, caps and mugs. We have a wide selection of ladies fashion clothing, scarves and handbags along with seasonal hats and footwear. Why not take some RHB merchandise home with you? We offer adults and children's Robin Hood's Bay hoodies, sweatshirts and T-Shirts. Tel: **01947 880401**
- Jessica Hogarth Shop** Our little shop is the perfect stop for all your gifting needs! With a wide range of products, from handcrafted candles and wax melts to coastal tableware, greetings cards and ceramics, we certainly have something for all tastes. Situated on the bank as you first head down to the bay, what better excuse for a quick stop than a spot of retail therapy as you pass by! Tel: **01947 880892** Email: [jessicahogarthshop@gmail.com](mailto:jessicahogarthshop@gmail.com) Web: [jessicahogarthshop.com](http://jessicahogarthshop.com)
- Jet Black** Exquisite Whitby Jet Jewellery. Located on New Road down in the Bay. The finest quality local Jet, genuine Baltic Amber and 925 Sterling Silver are combined to create unique jewellery. Hand-made in the Bay by local artist, supported by the Prince's Trust. Contact Richard Nesling. Tel: **07952 128559** Email: [jetblack\\_7@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jetblack_7@hotmail.co.uk) Web: [jetblackjewellery.co.uk](http://jetblackjewellery.co.uk)
- FEW Gifts at Wave Gallery** FEW Gifts is a family run gift shop based in the lower Bay area. We stock a range of unique gifts and mementos from the seaside and beyond that are made in Yorkshire, recycled, handmade and fair trade. We like to think there's something for everyone so pop in and say hello! Open: Nov-Mar: Wed-Sun 10.00am-5.00pm, April-Oct: Mon-Sun 10.00am-5.00pm. Contact Shop: **01947 880236** Email: [sales@fewgifts.co.uk](mailto:sales@fewgifts.co.uk)
- Baytown Stores** Open every day from 8.00am. Fresh fruit and vegetables, newspapers, magazines and confectionery, logs and coal, Baytown Coffee, home baking and freshly made sandwiches, Botham's bread, Baytown and Whitby Brewery beers, Radford's Butchers and other locally sourced produce, plus a wide range of general groceries and household goods. Delivery service available. Please call us **01947 880202** Post Office services plus free cash withdrawals, banking services, mobile phone top ups.

# Robin Hood's Bay Village Maps

## Upper Bay



## Lower Bay



## Local Area



## Outdoors



Robin Hood's Bay and Fylingthorpe is a paradise for those who love the outdoors. Whether it be walking, cycling, horse-riding or simply sitting on a bench or rock taking in the views, there is something for everybody to enjoy.

Robin Hood's Bay lies on two of the most famous walks in the UK. The Coast-to-Coast walk that starts at St Bees Head in Cumbria and finishes here in Robin Hood's Bay, and the Cleveland Way footpath that runs from Helmsley to Filey, combining both heather moorland and stunning coastal scenery. There are also many walks in and around Robin Hood's Bay itself. Pop into one of the local shops or the National Trust café in the Dock to find information.

The Cinder Track is a perfect all round route for horse riders, walkers and cyclists which links Whitby to Scarborough with fabulous coastal and countryside views.

The North Yorkshire coast and moors are unique in terms of the diversity and abundance of habitats for plants and wildlife, making it a great place for nature lovers to explore.

When you are on the beach, please take care near the cliffs as they are unstable, and check tide times to avoid being cut off from safe routes off the beach by the incoming tide.

Please help us to keep the village and beach free of plastic waste and other litter, by making use of the many bins in and around the village.



## History



The rocks and fossils found in the bay come from two widely separated time periods, the Lower and Middle Jurassic (about 200-160 million years ago), and the Quaternary or Ice Age (about 20,000 years ago). Today, Robin Hood's Bay is one of the best places in the UK to find fossils, including ammonites, bivalves and, very occasionally, vertebrates.

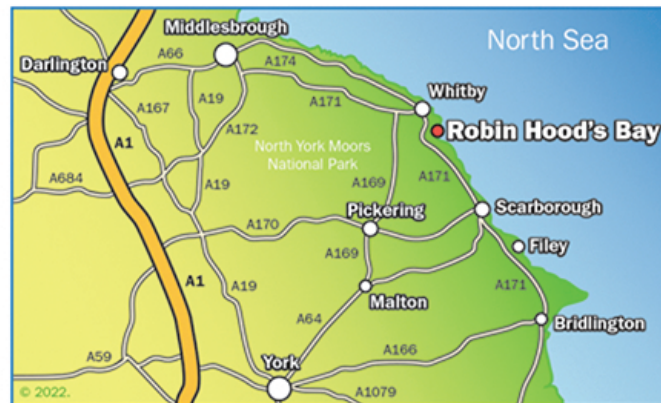
The scours (from the Norse word meaning 'rock') exposed at low tide were formed 170 million years ago and consist of limestone with blue shale. A wealth of sea life can be found in the rock pools at low tide – a rock pooling paradise!

The first evidence of man in the area was 3,000 years ago when Bronze Age burial grounds were dug on the high moorland just south of the village. The first regular settlers were probably Saxon peasants, followed by the Norseman - attracted by the rich glacial soil and ample fish. The first written reference to Robin Hood's Bay was a letter from Louis Count of Flanders to Edward III in the early 1300's, pleading for the return of his ship taken by the people of England to "Robin Oode Bay". The natural isolation of Robin Hood's Bay made it an ideal location for smuggling, which was at its height in the 1700's and early 1800's. Fisher-folk, farmers, clergy and gentry were all involved. Hiding places, boltholes and secret passages abounded. The fishing industry reached its zenith in the mid 1800's and a thriving community existed in the village. The coming of the railway in 1885 brought significant change. Robin Hood's Bay began to attract visitors from the outside, and this has continued to the present day. This history can be seen pictorially in the Mosaics along the sea wall.

With grateful thanks to the Fylingdales Local History Group.



## How to find us



## Emergency Contacts

- Emergency:** Fire, Ambulance, Coast Guard, Police - 999
- Defibrillators:** Available in the Dock outside the Bay Hotel (access code: C159X), and at Bank Top toilets and at the Doctor's surgery (access code for both: 99999).
- Doctors:** Surgery, to side of Station Road Car Park (near Village Hall) 01947 880230
- Whitby Minor Injuries Unit:** Spring Hill, Whitby 01947 604851
- Police:** Non-emergency 101
- Ambulance:** Non-emergency 111

## General Information

- Post Office:** Baytown Stores.
- Banks:** Nearest are in Whitby however some banking facilities are available at the Post Office (see above).
- Bus:** On the X93 bus route, which runs between Scarborough and Whitby hourly in the winter and more frequently in the summer. Timetables are posted at bus stops.
- Car Parks:** 2 public Pay & Display car parks. There are no public or disabled parking facilities in the Old Village (down the hill). Please only drive down the hill to load or unload. The streets are extremely narrow with limited areas to manoeuvre.
- Public Toilets:** The Dock, Bank Top and Station Car Park.



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