

Fancy a walk or a cycle ride?

Pendle has some of the best walks and rides in the North ranging from easy to challenging, with lots in between.

Here's some you might want to try. These are all self-guided routes that can be downloaded from the **Things To Do** section of our website www.visitpendle.com

Short

- 1 Reservoir Walks** – get to see woodland and wildlife starting in the village of Barley with great views to Pendle Hill. (BB12 9JX)
- 2 Canal Walks** – Four walks around the historic Leeds & Liverpool Canal, Alkencoats Park and woods starting at Colne Rugby Club. (BB8 9SF)
- 3 Pendle Sculpture Trail** – see woodland art and spot which witch is which on our fascinating quiz trail inspired by the Pendle Witches. (BB12 9JX)
- 4 Family Cycle Route** – scenic route along the Leeds & Liverpool Canal split into two parts. (BB8 7PP)
- 5 Barnoldswick Walks** – a book covering 22 walks sold at Pendle Heritage Centre Tel 01282 677150. (BB18 6AB)

Medium

- 1 Eight Circular Walks** – this pack of eight terrific walks can be bought from Pendle Heritage Centre Tel 01282 667701.
- 2 Pendle's Three Peaks** – Pendle has three significant hills: Boulsworth, Weets and the majestic Pendle Hill. Try them separately or all together for a challenge.

- 3 Walking With Witches** – an 8 miler describing some of the sites made famous by the Pendle Witches and starting in the village of Barley, under Pendle Hill. (BB12 9JX)
- 4 Pendle Letterbox Trail** – a combination of map reading and orienteering on top of Boulsworth Hill.
- 5 Beating The Bounds** – two walks covering the ancient tradition of beating or marking the boundaries of Foulridge (BB8 7PP) and Barnoldswick (BB18 6AB).
- 6 Tour Of Britain Cycle Route Section One** – this race through stunning countryside was hosted by Pendle in 2015. This 15 mile route can be tough in places! (BB18 6AB).

Long distance

- 1 Pendle Way** – a 45 mile route through Pendle's picturesque and varied walking country, split into eight sections. (BB9 6JQ)
- 2 West Craven Way** – a 24 mile route bordering North Yorkshire, split into two parts. (BB18 5TT)
- 3 The Grand Cycle Tour of Pendle** – a 35 mile route around the district. Starting at Colne Railway Station (BB8 9NX)

Explore Wycoller Country Park A –

Amble around the pretty village of Wycoller with its tearoom, seven historic bridges, and atmospheric ruined hall, the real Ferndean Manor in Charlotte Brontë's *Jane Eyre*. Follow in the Brontë's footsteps on the **Ferndean Way** and the **Brontë Way**. Find out about notorious Squire Cunliffe who inspired Charlotte Brontë and visit the Panopticon sculpture known as The Atom on the hill above Wycoller.

My Favourite Cycle Rides & The Hub –

These four routes have been designed by local cycling club members and cover 6, 10, 20 and 30 miles. Two are for mountain bikes. There's also a traffic-free cycling track called the **Steven Burke Hub B** which can be used by anyone and includes facilities for BMXers. (BB9 8SJ)

Pendle Parks & Leisure Facilities – we have eleven beautiful parks, eight of which have national Green Flag status. – information on each park is available on www.pendle.gov.uk/parks For details on swimming pools, leisure centres and golf courses go to www.pendleleisuretrust.co.uk

Guided Walks – throughout the year you can join many free guided walks, including on the **Up and Active Programme** which is on www.visitpendle.com There are also walks run by local clubs, such as the Burnley & Pendle Ramblers.

Famous Folk

What famous folk come from Pendle? I bet you can't guess?!

Eric Knowles is well known as an antiques expert on countless TV programmes and was born in Nelson in 1953. Also brought up in Nelson is the *Life on Mars* and *Mad Dogs* actor John Simm. Drummer of The Hollies, Billy Elliott, went to Nelson Grammar School. Another musical talent, Wallace Hartley, a son of Colne, is a national hero. He was bandmaster of the ill-fated Titanic, who bravely played on until the ship sank in 1912.

One of the most nationally proclaimed fighters for workers rights and 'grandmother of the Labour Party', Katharine Bruce Glasier, lived in Pendle for 28 years. Glen Cottage was her home in Earby, now a Youth Hostel. A blue plaque bears her name on the building.

Going back in history, George Fox, had a vision in 1652 on top of Pendle Hill which famously inspired him to set up the Quaker movement. A little earlier, in 1617 Sir Jonas Moore was born in Pendle. Affectionately named as the 'Father of Time', he helped set up the Greenwich Observatory from which we take Greenwich Mean Time.

More Information

For more information on everything in this guide and more, as well as details on visitor accommodation please go to: www.visitpendle.com

or contact our Tourist Information Centre at **Pendle Heritage Centre 01282 677150**

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Visit Pendle

Pendle is bursting with colourful events, amazing walks and cycle rides and lots of fantastic attractions!

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Medium Walks/Rides	Red circle
Long Distance Walks/Rides	Blue circle
Brontë's & Burke	Green circle
Bringing History To Life	Brown circle
Family Days Out	Pink circle
Scenic Road Trails	Light blue circle
Events & Entertainment	Grey circle



Bringing History To Life

Pendle has a diverse range of heritage attractions. Get all steamed up and see one of the last remaining steam-powered mills in the county at **Bancroft Mill ①**. The 30ft pulley driven main wheel is a sight to behold! The Leeds & Liverpool Canal, the country's longest, is over 200 years old and can be explored on **Foulridge Canal Cruises ②**.

Discover how life was over hundreds of years ago at the family home of the Bannister family whose famous son was four minute miler, Sir Roger Bannister. The house is now the **Pendle Heritage Centre ③** and houses a museum, café, walled garden and Tourist Information Centre. Those seeking out something rather quirkier should check out the **British in India Museum ④** with its unusual collections from a time when Britain had an Empire.

Just as strange but true is the fascinating true story of the **Pendle Witches**. At a turbulent point in history in 1612 ten people from Pendle were accused of witchcraft and their trail at Lancaster Castle was one of the best documented in the world. There were a number of really colourful characters amongst these unfortunate souls, hanged for witchcraft. They include Squinting Lizzi, Chattox and Demdike. You can find out about them and follow in their footsteps on a number of **Pendle Witches Trails**. There's a walking trail, two road trails, one long and one short and a Pendle Sculpture Trail inspired by the Pendle Witches. There's also an emporium full of witches information and gifts at **Witches Galore ⑤** in Newchurch. To download these trails or to find out more about these attractions go to www.visitpendle.com

Family Days Out

There are a lots of things that you and your family can get up to in Pendle. Get hands on down at **Thornton Hall Farm ①** with lots of great activities, including a safari adventure, the fun-filled play barn, and lots of great events, like Tractor Ted, Harry Potter, Halloween and half-term activities.

Also offering a marvellous hands-on farm-based experience is **Roaming Roosters ②**. They also have a lovely bistro and farm shop. Less country and more adrenaline-fuelled is **Prestige Karting ③** where you can race around this top track at speed! Or why not make a splash in the pool at **Wavelengths ④** or spot which witch is witch on our interactive quiz on the **Pendle Sculpture Trail ⑤**.

Pendle Scenic Road Trails

There are three glorious touring type trails that you can do by car or by bike around Pendle. The first one is about the Pendle Witches and starts at **Pendle Heritage Centre ③**. The second is a tour around Colne, Trawden, and beautiful Wycoller with its Brontë associations which starts at **Pendle Leisure Centre ⑥** in Colne. The third starts at **Greenberfield Locks ⑦** in Barnoldswick and features an ancient church and two beautiful moors with stunning views - Elslack and Bleara.

Tempting Towns

Pendle has some beautiful villages and some lively towns, including **Barrowford**, home to niche shopping at its finest. Award-winning **Barnoldswick** and **Colne** also have lots of great independent shops and good places to eat and drink. All have town heritage trails that can be followed, as does **Brierfield** dominated by the stunning **Northlight mill**. **Nelson** is home to Inside Spa, one of the finest spas in the area.

Events and Entertainment

Pendle has a large number of great events throughout the year, including the **Pendle Walking Festival** (mid August), **Pendle Cycling Festival** (from July), and the **British Blues Festival** in Colne on August Bank Holiday. For a full and up-to-date list of these in more detail check out our website, www.visitpendle.com, where you will also find information on places to eat and drink in the area.

Our website shows what's on at our great entertainment venues, including at the **ACE Centre ①** in Nelson, and at **Colne Muni, The Little Theatre**, and the **Pendle Hippodrome**, which are all in Colne ②. Barnoldswick has a number of fine venues, including the **Rainhall Centre ③**.

