

What you can see

Pateley Bridge is a lovely small town with lots of places to eat. This walk follows fields and tracks with views of the dale, and returns along the riverside.

The inspiration for this walk is Nidderdale's Industrial history: the single track railway to Pateley Bridge opened in 1862, allowing products made in Nidderdale, such as high quality stone, and linen, to be exported to a world market.

At the same time, a fledgling tourism industry used the railway to encourage visitors to Pateley Bridge.

You will follow an ancient route out of Pateley Bridge, cross a former toll road, and finish at the site of the old railway station. On the way, look out for:

- A ruined church
- A Victorian viewpoint
- A milestone
- The Gothic remains of a railway bridge
- A Grade II listed mill.

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At a glance

How far?	5.5 miles (8.8km)
How hard?	Moderate
Which map?	OS Explorer 298 Nidderdale
Starting at?	Pateley Bridge High Street
Buses?	traveline 0871 2002233
Parking?	Long stay car park in
Any facilities?	Plenty in Pateley Bridge

Follow the fields to a ruined church and Victorian viewpoint, returning to Pateley Bridge via stepping stones and stiles.

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Made in Nidderdale - a walk from Pateley Bridge



1. From the High Street, go uphill and bear right at the top. Turn left up some steps signed 'Panorama Walk'. At the cemetery gates, go left uphill, and immediately turn left up a walled path, to the ruins of St. Mary's Church.
2. Leave the graveyard and church via a kissing gate into a field near the front of the church. Go to the left of a barn and through a field gate. Go straight on, over two stiles to a lane. Turn left up the lane and visit the viewpoint on your right. Continue up the lane, past some houses. When the lane turns right, go straight on - signed 'Blazefield'. At a waymarked junction, turn right and follow the walled lane to the road.
3. Turn left up the road - note the milestone on your right - and at the terraced houses turn right and follow the track signed 'Sandy Lane'. At the lane turn right, then left at the first footpath sign. Go through three metal gates, then bear left to the top of the field, and follow the wall to the lane.
4. Cross the lane and over a stone stile into a

snicket, then into a field. Follow the wall on your right, until crossing a stone stile in the wall, down to a cluster of houses. Go through the field gate to the right of the conservatory. Turn immediately right and pass around the front garden (private land) to the stile by a green gate. Follow the wall on your left and through another green gate onto a track.

5. Turn right and follow the track to the road. Turn left and take the signed path on your right. Turn right at the first stone stile.
6. Go straight across the field & cross the road and continue straight on until you get to the river.
7. Do not cross the bridge. Turn right over a stile and follow the riverside path, crossing some stepping stones. Pass under the Gothic remains of an arched bridge: this carried the Nidd Valley Branch of the North Eastern Railway, and the products of Nidderdale out to a global market.
8. At a mill, bear right, then left, through the mill complex, bear left after the mill clock and exit onto the road via a small archway. This is the Grade II listed Glasshouses Mill: it was originally powered by water wheel, and later by coal powered turbines: the railway was constructed at the back of the mill, so coal could be delivered by train.
9. Turn left and immediately right onto a wide track signed 'Pateley Bridge'. Pass the mill's reservoir on your left: note the mill race on your right. Pass a weir and a grand Victorian property on your left, then follow the riverside path all the way back to Pateley Bridge High Street.

