



National
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Events and activities for spring 2020
North East | Yorkshire

What's on

This is just a taster of the events coming up – visit nationaltrust.org.uk/north-east and nationaltrust.org.uk/yorkshire for more events and activities happening near you.



Cragside

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North East Regular events & exhibitions

Every Wednesday and Friday from
8 April

Cragside
Victorian baking
1–3pm

Meet the Victorian cooks as they whip up a feast in the Armstrongs' magnificent kitchen and fill the house with the comforting smell of homecooked treats.*

Every Wednesday
Wallington
Wednesday walks
11am

Join a guided walk every Wednesday exploring different walking routes around the estate. Learn more about the story of Wallington.* **£3 BE**

Every first Friday from 6 March
Seaton Delaval Hall
Garden talks
2pm

Find out what's new and in bloom in the gardens and discover more about the landscape and ecology surrounding the hall.*

Every Sunday from 1 March
Seaton Delaval Hall
Make & Do
11am–1pm

Join us every week and take part in our Make & Do sessions – we'll be doing everything from planting sunflower seeds to making bird feeders or creating wild art.*

Every first Sunday from 1 March
Seaton Delaval Hall
Delaval discoveries wider estate walks
1.30pm

Join our expert guides on a new walk of the estate to hear how the flamboyant Delaval family made their fortunes from salt, coal and glass.* **£3 BE**

Every fourth Sunday
Cragside
Trust10
8.30–11am

Join an exhilarating 10km run, taking you through some of the most spectacular parts of Cragside estate, or try the 2km family run around Tumbleton Lake. **Free**

Daily from April – check website
for dates

Lindisfarne Castle
Heinrich and Palmer
contemporary exhibition
Opening times vary according
to the tide

Explore a new exhibition at the castle created by artists Heinrich and Palmer.*

Daily from 15 May
Washington Old Hall
Mendick and Watson art installation
10am–5pm

Inspired by a book by Fred Hill, who helped saved the Hall, myths and characters from North East folklore will come to life through a new installation created by artists Lindsey Mendick and Dominic Watson.*

Daily from 13 June

Cherryburn
Art collaboration with The Society
of Wood Engravers
11am–3pm

This summer Cherryburn welcomes its fourth contemporary art commission inspired by wood engraver Thomas Bewick. Discover a new installation supported by The Society of Wood Engravers.*

February

Saturday 8 February

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas
Night Run
From 4.30pm

In partnership with Cotswold Outdoor, explore Souter after dark and raise funds for our conservation work. Choose from the family-friendly Explorer route (3km) or the longer Adventurer route (7km). **£7/14 BE**

February half term

Saturday 15 February

Cragside (until 23 February)
Mucky madness week
11am–3pm

Make friends with mud with activities to wet those waterproofs. Build a cosy den, see how far you can wang a welly, or have a go making mud pies.*

Wallington (until 23 February)
Snowdrop planting
11am–3pm

Pull on your wellies and help us plant another 100,000 snowdrops, taking the grand total up to a massive 600,000!*



Wallington

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Saturday 15 February

Gibside (until 23 February)
February half-term fun
10am–4.30pm

Enjoy free family fun every day of the holidays at Gibside, with active adventures in the gardens and woods.*

Monday 17 February

Cherryburn (until 21 February)
February half term
11am–2.30pm

Discover Cherryburn as it reopens after having a deep clean over winter and join in with indoor crafts and activities to entertain little ones.*

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas

(until 21 February)

Bird week
11am–3.30pm

Build a bird box and learn about different birds they may attract to your garden (Monday, Tuesday & Thursday) or create some bird themed crafts (Wednesday & Friday). Bird box **£5**, crafts **£2**

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas

(until 20 February; also 6–9 & 14–17 April, 25–27 May)

Spring sports
11am–3pm

Have a go at outdoor games and mini-sports activities for all the family in the Foghorn Field. **Free**

Washington Old Hall

(until 21 February)

Spring half-term holiday fun
11am–3pm

Wrap up warm and have a go at fun activities in the nuttery garden.* **£**

Saturday 29 February

Northumberland Coast

Take a green leap
11am–3pm

Take a leap for nature with our rangers and help us with our vital conservation work. **Free BE**

March

Tuesday 3 March

Wallington (also every Tuesday
until 31 March)

Crocus lawn: talk and walk
2pm

Meet Head Gardener Simon and his team for a talk and walk around the Walled Garden, enjoying the spectacle of 100,000 colourful crocus bulbs in bloom.*

Saturday 14 March

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas
(also 8 April, 9.30–11.30am & 10 May,
11.30am–1.30pm)

Seashore safari
12 noon–2pm

Join rangers and members of the Coastal Conservation Group to search rock pools for salty sea creatures galore. **£2 BE**

Sunday 22 March

Wallington

Mother's Day afternoon tea
2–4pm

Bring your mum to Wallington for a special afternoon tea.*
Adult **£14.95**, child **£7.95 BE**

April

Wednesday 1 April

Cherryburn

Wood engraving workshop
9am–5pm

Join expert wood engraver Chris Daunt for a one-day workshop where you'll learn wood engraving techniques and produce an engraving to take home. **£75 BE**

Cragside (also 22 April, 6 & 20 May)

Turning water into light
7–3pm

Join Cragside's resident engineer on a 2-mile walk and discover all about William Armstrong and his lifelong passion for water power, at the first place to be lit by hydroelectricity.* **BE**

Cadbury Easter Egg Hunts

Follow the trail and crack the clues to earn a Cadbury chocolate reward!

Allen Banks Saturday 11 & Sunday
12 April, 10am–2pm **£2.50**

Cherryburn Friday 10–Monday
13 April, 11am–3pm * **£3**

Cragside Saturday 4–Sunday
19 April, 11am–3pm * **£2.50**

Gibside Friday 10–Monday 13 April,
10.30am–4pm * **£2.50**

Housesteads Friday 10–Monday
13 April, 11am–3pm * **£2.50**

Lindisfarne Castle Saturday 4–
Sunday 19 April, times vary according
to the tide * **£**

Penshaw Monument Monday 13
April, 12 noon–3pm **£2**

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas
Friday 10–Monday 13 April, 11am–
4pm **£3**

Wallington Friday 10–Monday
13 April, 11am–4pm * **£2.50**

Washington Old Hall Friday 10–
Monday 13 April, 11am–4pm * **£2.50**

Easter holidays

Saturday 4 April

Cragside (until 19 April)
FLOW!

11am–3pm
Join in with fun activities exploring the power of water – follow the spring trail through the newly opened gorge, discover waterfalls, try your hand at seasonal activities or have a go at pond dipping.* **£**

Wallington (until 19 April)
Easter holidays

11am–3pm
Join us for a mini-beast adventure this Easter. Meet a mini-beast expert and enjoy creepy-crawly crafts.* **BE**

Gibside (until 19 April)
Easter holiday fun
10am–4.30pm

Enjoy free family fun every day of the Easter holidays at Gibside with active adventures in the gardens and woods.*

Wallington (until 19 April)
Lambing shed live
12.30pm & 2pm (also 11.5pm 10–13 April)

Take a tractor trailer ride to nearby Broom House Farm for a guided tour of the lambing shed. **£7.50 BE** via broomhousefarm.co.uk

Monday 6 April

Cherryburn (until 10 April; also 13–17 April)

Easter at Cherryburn

11am–3pm
Enjoy art and nature-themed activities with a seasonal twist throughout the Easter holidays.*

Washington Old Hall (until 17 April)
Easter holiday fun

11am–3pm
Get the whole family together to discover the sights, smells and sounds of the season.* **£**

Wallington (until 9 April; also 13–16 April)

Lambing apprentice

2–4pm
Join the Broom House Farm lambing team for an afternoon shift, caring for the pregnant ewes and new-born lambs, and helping with the routine tasks in the lambing shed. Age 10+.* **£35 BE** via broomhousefarm.co.uk

Friday 10 April

Lindisfarne Castle (until 13 April)

Wibbly wobbly wildlife

Times vary according to the tide

Create your own wibbly wobbly wildlife critter at Lindisfarne Castle.*

Tuesday 14 April

Farne Islands (until 19 April)

Egg-cellent adventures on the Farnes

11am–3pm

Join the rangers on Inner Farne to learn all about the different types of eggs that are laid on the Farne Islands.*

Sunday 19 April

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas

Bird ringing demonstration

6am–12 noon

Witness Whitburn Ringing Group in action, recording and ringing birds captured in mist nets. **Free**

May

Saturday 2 May

Seaton Delaval Hall

10th birthday celebrations

10am–5pm

It's 10 years since the doors of Seaton Delaval Hall opened to the public as a National Trust property, and you're invited to join in the birthday celebrations with fun and frolics inspired by the 'gay Delavals' and help us launch the Festival of Mischief.* **£**

Cherryburn

Dawn chorus walk

5–7am

Meet at Cherryburn bright and early to hear the sweet symphonies of the dawn chorus. **£5** incl. a hot drink and pastries **BE**

Sunday 3 May

Northumberland Coast

Dawn chorus walk

6–8am

Join a guided walk with a ranger who'll help you spot some of the wildlife that call Newton Pool home. **Free BE**

Cherryburn

May Day

11am–3pm

Celebrate May Day with May pole dancing and family activities.*

Washington Old Hall

Dawn chorus walk

5–8am

An early dawn chorus walk to listen to the early morning birds song and learn about the birds and litter pickers provided. Age 6+.* **£7.50** incl. breakfast snack **BE**

Saturday 9 May

Cragside (until approx. 30 June)

Rhododendron spectacular

11am–3pm

Follow the 'Rhodie Ramble' trail to take in Cragside's spectacular rhododendron display, as the hillsides burst with swathes of colour.*

Tuesday 12 May

Wallington (also 19 May)

Wansbeck Valley Walk

1.30–3.30pm

Learn about the wide variety of flora and fauna found along the Wansbeck Valley on this ranger-led walk and talk.* **£7.50 BE**

Sunday 17 May

Cherryburn

Bushcraft day

10am–2pm

Join the ranger team for some fun bushcraft activities including den building, fire lighting and games. Age 7+.* **£11** per child **BE**

May half term

Saturday 23 May

Cragside (until 31 May)

Petal power

11am–3pm

Join us for a week of floral fun, as we get creative with activities inspired by the flourishing rhododendrons and the busy bees who call Cragside home.*

Wallington (until 31 May)

Go with the flow

11am–3pm

Join the Wallington team for activities, including mini-raft building and duck racing, or have self-led fun and get outdoors and enjoying nature.*

Gibside (until 31 May)

May half-term fun

10am–4.30pm

Enjoy free family fun every day of May half term with active adventures in the gardens and woods.*

Monday 25 May

Cherryburn (until 29 May)

May half term

11am–3pm

Complete more activities on the '50 things to do before you're 11¾' list, like building a den, bird watching and creating wild art.*

Washington Old Hall (until 29 May)

May half-term holiday fun

11am–3pm

Add a spring to your step with lots of fun activities in the nuttery garden.* **£**

Thursday 28 May

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas

Coastal clean

11.30am–1.30pm

Lend a hand to keep local beaches litter free and become a hero for the marine environment. Bags and litter pickers provided. Age 6+.* **Free**

Saturday 30 May

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas

Souter scramble

2–4pm

Can you conquer our fun 3k coastal obstacle course including water slide, mud pits, tunnels, scramble nets and sand bag run? Age 6+.* **£16.50 (£15 'early bird'** price until 29 February) **BE**

Cragside

Cragside in bloom: rhododendron tea and tour

1–2.30pm

Join expert horticulturalist, Neil, on a gentle ramble through Cragside's iconic gardens, as he reveals some of the best rhododendrons in the collection. **£12 BE**

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Brimham Rocks

Daily from 2 May

Fountains Abbey & Studley Royal

Jolly! 2020

10am–5pm

Big and bold, these artworks by environmental artist Steve Messam are inspired by the lost history of the water garden and bring to life the spirit of the garden as its original designers intended it – playful, extraordinary and controversial.*

16 May–5 July

Nunnington Hall

British Wildlife Photography Awards exhibition

10.30am–5pm

Enjoy inspirational photographs from this prestigious national photographic competition celebrating British wildlife in all its beauty and diversity.*

Every Monday from 17 February

(excluding bank holidays)

East Riddlesden Hall

Greener gardening

2–3pm

Join our gardening team and learn how you can combine good design and colour with wildlife conservation.*

Every last Monday from 27 April

Treasurer's House

Conservation in action

11am–1pm

A rare opportunity to get a behind-the-scenes glimpse at how the dedicated conservation team care for Treasurer's House and pick up a few tips for yourself.*

Every alternate Tuesday from 18 February

East Riddlesden Hall

An introduction to breadmaking

11.30am–12.30pm & 1.30–2.30pm

Make your own tasty dough to take away and bake at home and hear about the history of bread at these fun hands-on sessions.* **£3**

Daily from 29 February

Nunnington Hall

366 leap year hares

10.30am–5pm

One of Yorkshire's favourite wildlife sculptors, Emma Stothard, brings a new exhibition to Nunnington Hall inspired by the leap year. See 366 mixed media sculptures, drawings and paintings of hares in the Smoking Room.*

Daily from 7 March

Nostell

Miniature Worlds

11am–4pm

Thanks to kind donations from our supporters, Nostell's very special dolls' house has been brought back to life through vital conservation work. See this mini treasure house sparkle and unravel its stories through a new exhibition, interactive activities and a new family trail in the house.*

Every Thursday 9 January–26 March

Fountains Abbey & Studley Royal

Pilates at Fountains Hall

9–10am

Get yourself moving this winter with pilates. Have a good stretch with this relaxed class. **£7 BE**

Every Friday and Sunday from 27 March

Marsden Moor

Plant sales

10am–3pm

Browse a selection of great value, home-grown garden plants, upcycled wooden planters and bird boxes on sale next to the Information Room.

Daily from 4 April

Brimham Rocks

Joe Cornish at Brimham Rocks

10am–4.30pm

Yorkshire photographer Joe Cornish is exhibiting new works exploring Brimham Rocks at night, to celebrate 50 years of the National Trust looking after this magical landscape.* **Free**

February

Saturday 15 February

Nostell

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5.20–8.30pm

Grab a head torch and explore Nostell's parkland in a new light. Choose from the family-friendly Explorer route (3.5km) or the longer Adventurer route (7km). **£7/14 BE**

February half term

Saturday 15 February

Ormesby Hall (until 23 February)

Once upon a fairy tale

10.30am–4pm

Step inside your favourite fairy tales at Ormesby Hall this half term. Can you find Cinderella's carriage or Rapunzel's tower? Join us for storytelling, crafts and beanstalk planting.*

Nunnington Hall (until 23 February)

Brilliant birds

10.30am–5pm

Join us this half term for bird-inspired trails and activities. Make a bird feeder or build a bird box and find out more about the birds in your garden.*

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February half term

10am–4pm

Connect to the nature all around you this half term with crafts, stargazing and wildlife walks.*

Monday 17 February

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11am–3pm

Get wild Monday to Wednesday, build a bird box on Thursday and make a masterpiece Thursday and Friday.* **£**

Hardcastle Crags (until 21 February)

Woodland adventures

12 noon–3pm

Join us to make nature inspired magic wands and log animals. We'll also be cooking on a campfire, becoming rangers for a day and making recycled plastic bottle bird feeders. **Free (£ BE** for campfire activity)

Thursday 20 February

Yorkshire Coast, Ravenscar

Build a bird box

10am–2pm

Drop in at Ravenscar Visitor Centre to celebrate National Nest Box Week and build your own. **£10** per box



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April

Thursday 23 April

Goddards House & Garden

Re-inventing the Country House:

Beningbrough Hall

11.30am–3pm

Join David Morgan, General Manager for York, and find out what goes into running one of the finest Baroque buildings in the country and how the National Trust looks after over 140,000 visitors a year. Tel: 01904 771956.* **£33** incl. two-course lunch **BE**

Friday 24 April

Marsden Moor

Guided walk: cuckoo walk

6.15–8.15pm

Meet at Marsden Mechanics for a family-friendly 2.5-mile moorland walk to hear the legend of the Marsden cuckoo. Sorry, not suitable for pushchairs. **Free**

May

Monday 4 May

Nostell (until 10 May)

Rhubarb week

Times vary through the week

Take part in rhubarb-inspired crafts, games and stories, go on a guided walk with the gardener and try your hand at the rhubarb tasting challenge.*

Thursday 7 May

Rievaulx Terrace

Wildflower wander

1.30–3pm

Join Head Gardener Nick for a tour through the woodland and along the terrace and discover how we manage and develop the wildflower banks. **BE**

Friday 8 May

Nunnington Hall (until 9 May)

Nunnington Naafi

10.30am–5pm

Step back in time to celebrate VE Day at Nunnington Hall with vintage stalls, music and a rations-inspired tea-room menu.*

Saturday 9 May

Marsden Moor

Guided walk: Dowry Castle and a Roman fort

10am–5.30pm

This 7-mile walk takes us along Millstone Edge to Haigh Gutter to see the remains of a brewer's dream and explore the footprint of the Roman fort before the ascent back to Brun Clough. Meet at Brun Clough car park, 3 miles SW of Marsden on the A62. **Free**

Sunday 10 May

Ormesby Hall

Meet the modellers

10.30am–3pm

The popular model railways will be joined by extra layouts, trade stands and model building demonstrations.*

Sunday 10 May

Yorkshire Dales, Hudswell Woods

Guided walk: birdsong walk

8–10.30am

Join our ranger for a guided walk through the beautiful Hudswell Woods with a focus on bird identification and song. Adult **£5**, child **£3.50** **BE**

Monday 11 May

Brimham Rocks

Mindful yoga

10am–12 noon

Join yoga instructor Caroline to explore your connection to nature through postures, breath work, meditation and relaxation. Tel: 07837 996058.* **£10** **BE**

Tuesday 12 May

Beningbrough Hall, Gallery & Gardens

Everyday mindfulness

10am–12 noon

In this interactive event, Gill Hasson – author of the National Trust's *Mindfulness* book – takes you through practices that bring mindfulness awareness and engagement to everyday life. She'll also be doing a book signing 1–3pm. Tel: 01904 472014.* **£15** **BE**

Saturday 16 May

Brimham Rocks

Going Digital: landscape photography workshop

10am–4pm

Explore Brimham through the lens as you learn about composition and exposure while using filters to create dramatic landscape photography. Tel: 07802 454637. **£80** (£10 discount for NT members) **BE**

Beningbrough Hall, Gallery & Gardens (until 17 May)

Annual plant sale

10.30am–4pm

This weekend offers an opportunity not only to see the spring gardens in transition but to take a bit of Beningbrough home with you, as well as a few hints and tips along the way.*

Rievaulx Terrace

Rievaulx sleepover

From 6pm

Enjoy the experience of camping in the beautiful surroundings of Rievaulx Terrace for the first time and wake up to a breath-taking view of Rievaulx Abbey and the Rye valley. **£** **BE**

Sunday 17 May

Yorkshire Dales, Upper Wharfedale

Guided walk: birdsong walk

8–11.30am

Join our ranger for a guided walk through the beautiful Redmire Wood with a focus on bird identification and song. Adult **£5**, child **£3.50** **BE**

Sunday 17 May

Marsden Moor

Spring plant fair

10.30am–3pm

Come along and browse a selection of great value, home-grown garden plants, upcycled wooden planters and bird boxes. In the Old Goods Yard car park. **Free**

Tuesday 19 May

Marsden Moor

Guided walk: meet the lambs

6.30–8.30pm

Get up close to the lambs and find out how farmers look after the orphaned ones. Suitable for pushchairs. Sorry no dogs. Meet at Marsden railway station. **Free**

Roseberry Topping

Roseberry romp

7pm

A scenic fell race taking in North Yorkshire's iconic hill. Approx. 5 miles with a 1,050ft climb. Age 16+. **£4**

Thursday 21 May

Goddards House & Garden

Garden delights

11.30am–3pm

Take in the scents of the newly established fragrant garden with its roses and lavender hedges, the vibrant colours of the herbaceous border, and enjoy the taste of the garden produce afterwards. Tel: 01904 771956.* **£33** incl. two-course lunch **BE**

May half term

Saturday 23 May

Beningbrough Hall, Gallery & Gardens (until 31 May)

May half term play week

10.30am–5pm

Get stuck in and tick off even more '50 things to do before you're 11¾' with a variety of natural play activities, from tree climbing and taking part in a scavenger hunt, to making friends with a bug.*

Fountains Abbey & Studley Royal (until 31 May)

May half term

11am–4pm

Get crafty to celebrate all forms of art with *folly!* inspired workshops and look closely for wildlife on the trail.*

Sunday 24 May

Ormesby Hall (until 31 May)

Secrets of the garden

10.30am–4pm

Head outdoors this spring to discover what lives in the garden on the brass rubbing trail, then venture inside to find the healing plants. Get involved and make a bee or bug home or plant a seed to take home.*

Nunnington Hall (until 25 May)

Nature@Nunnington

10.30am–4pm

Get a little closer to nature this bank holiday. From bug hunting and bird watching, to bird box or feeder making, seeing hedgehogs and holding snakes, kick off your nature adventure.*

Monday 25 May

Ormesby Hall

Wildlife explorer day

10.30am–3pm

Join us in the garden for a nature walk, meet bird experts and beekeepers, have a go at bug spotting and make pine cone bird feeders. Kirkleatham Owl Centre will also be bringing along some cute and cuddly animals.*



Nostell

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Monday 25 May

Nostell (until 29 May)

May half term

11am–3pm

Enjoy messy mud play on Monday, get wild on Tuesday, cook on a campfire on Wednesday and craft a masterpiece inspired by Nostell's dolls' on Thursday and Friday.*

Tuesday 26 May

Hardcastle Craggs (until 29 May)

May half term woodland adventures

12 noon–3pm

Join us making mini rafts, building dens and pond dipping. We'll also be cooking on a campfire and becoming rangers for the day. **Free** (£ **BE** for campfire activity)

Wednesday 27 May

Yorkshire Dales, Upper Wharfedale

Den building and geocaching

11am–2.30pm

Join us on a digital treasure hunt in Buckden and then build a den to hide in and have your lunch. **£5** **BE**

Friday 29 May

Yorkshire Coast, Ravenscar

Bugs and beetles

10am–12 noon

Wander through the countryside with a ranger looking for bugs and beetles. Age 5+. **£4** **BE**

June

Sunday 7 June

Brimham Rocks

Walk in the footsteps of the monks

12 noon–4.30pm

Enjoy a day out in the countryside following the historical route of the monks as you walk from Brimham Rocks to Fountains Abbey with your guides.* **Free** **BE**

Sunday 14 June

Yorkshire Coast, Ravenscar

Birdsong workshop

7.30am–3.30pm

Explore the science behind wild sounds with Richard Baines, Director and Ecologist at Yorkshire Coast Nature, by transforming sound files into visual representations. **£65** **BE**

Notes

Events are correct at the time of going to print.

Key:

* – normal admission/car parking charges apply

£ – small charge for some activities

BE – booking essential through the property

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☐ – Part of Trust New Art, the National Trust's programme of contemporary arts.

Getting in touch

To find out more, please visit nationaltrust.org.uk/north-east or nationaltrust.org.uk/yorkshire or call our places on the numbers below.

Allen Banks and Hadrian's Wall
01434 321888

Beningbrough Hall, Gallery & Gardens
01904 472027

Brimham Rocks
01423 780688

Cherryburn & George Stephenson's Birthplace
01661 843276

Craggsdale
01669 622033

Durham Coast
0191 529 3161

East Riddlesden Hall
01535 607075

Fountains Abbey & Studley Royal
01765 608888

Gibside
01207 541820

Goddards House & Garden
01904 771930

Hardcastle Craggs
01422 844518

Lindisfarne Castle & Northumberland Coast
01289 389244

Marsden Moor
01484 847016

Middlethorpe Hall & Spa
01904 641241

Nostell
01924 863892

Nunnington Hall
01439 748283

Ormesby Hall
01642 324188

Penshaw Monument
01207 541820

Rievaulx Terrace
01439 798340

Seaton Delaval Hall
0191 237 9100

Souter Lighthouse & The Leas
0191 529 3161

Treasurer's House
01904 624247

Wallington
01670 773600

Washington Old Hall
0191 416 6879

Yorkshire Coast
01723 870138

Yorkshire Dales
01729 830416



Ormesby Hall

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