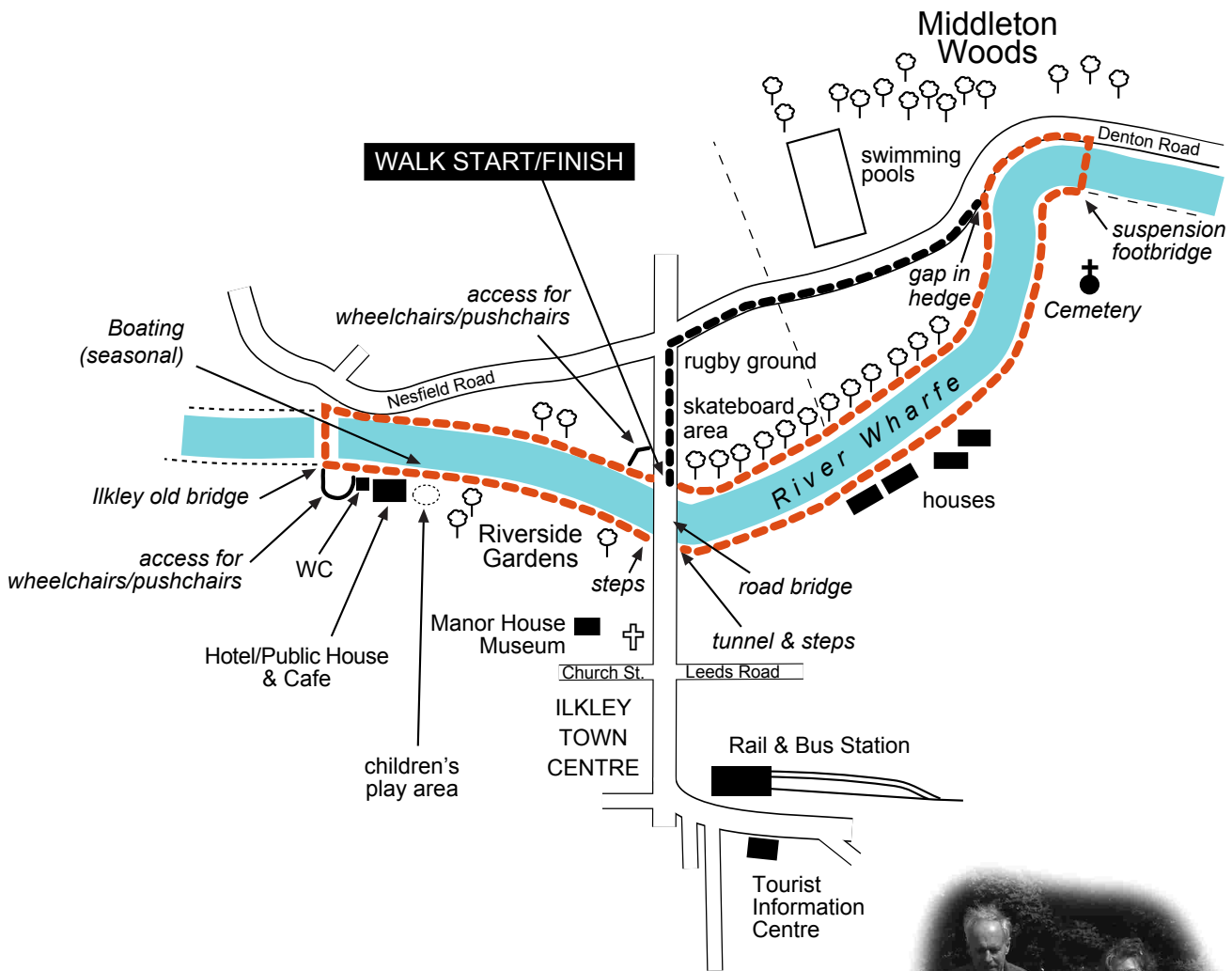


Riverside Gardens, Ilkley

Circular Walk - 1³/₄ miles (2.75km)



Key	
	Route
	Alternative Route for pushchairs/wheelchairs
	Other Footpaths



Countryside & Rights of Way

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A very easy walk mainly on surfaced level paths along the banks of the River Wharfe. Suitable for walkers of all abilities including pushchairs and wheelchair users.*

Although only 1³/₄ miles (2.75km) in length, this walk has lots to see and do especially for children and could be part of a fun packed afternoon out for all the family. Comfortable casual footwear is recommended along with outdoor clothing to suit the season. A light snack or picnic is advisable especially when walking with children. Alternatively you may wish to visit the food outlet situated near the children's play area, which we pass on the walk.

Please take care along the riverbank and keep children under close supervision at all times.

*** Wheelchair and pushchair users please note that access to one section of the Riverside Path may be restricted after wet weather, please see the map for the alternative route along Denton Road.**

Public Transport: Ilkley is well served by both bus and trains; for further information contact Metroline on: 0113 245 7676. Please note that the bus and rail stations are situated approx 1/2 mile (.85km) from the walk start point, which is accessed via Brook Street and New Brook Street. Please see the map.

Car Parking: On street car parking is available near the start of the walk along New Brook Street, alternatively there is a pay and display car park in Ilkley town centre.

Walk Start Point:

Between the gap in the fence on the right hand side of New Brook Street on the northern end of the road bridge spanning the River Wharfe.

The Route:

Go through the gap in the fence, which leads off New Brook Street and go down the ramp, which leads down onto the Riverside path. Follow the river downstream to eventually emerge onto Denton Road via a gap in the fence at the far end of the field. Turn right here and follow the road for approx 250 yds (229m), turning right again to cross the river by the suspension bridge. Once across turn right and follow the river along the surfaced path upstream on the opposite bank, passing Ilkley



Ilkley old bridge

cemetery and some houses on the left, before eventually passing through a tunnel under the road bridge opposite where our walk started, emerging onto Riverside Gardens. Continue by walking straight ahead passing the children's play area and the Riverside Hotel on the left before reaching the steps up onto Ilkley Old Bridge (for pushchair and wheelchair users, take the path to the left to access the bridge).

From the top of the steps turn right and cross the bridge, turning right again on the other side onto the pavement.

After a short distance take the sandstone path off the pavement to the right and follow this path through a gate way and along the river. On nearing the road bridge, which can be seen ahead, the path divides (pushchair and wheelchair users need to turn left here to follow the path up the ramp onto the pavement). Walkers can go straight ahead up the steps onto the pavement back to where we started our walk.

