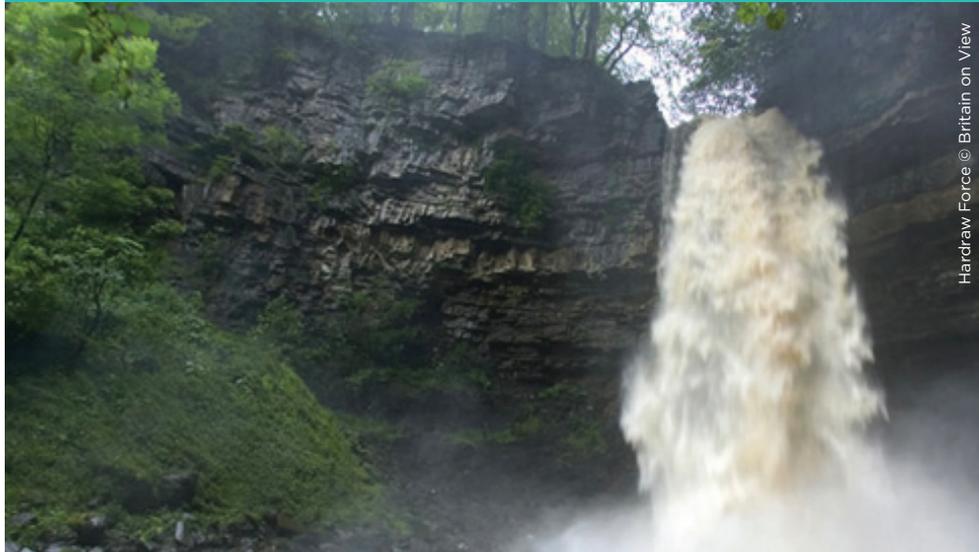


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**Start and finish:** Begin at the Hawes National Park Centre car park (SD875899).

This map is not meant to replace the appropriate O.S. map for navigation. Please use O.S. Explorer Map OL30. Please wear appropriate walking boots and outdoor clothing. Take particular care when walking along roads.

**Difficulty:** An easy-going walk with one steep climb up to Sedbusk and lots of stiles to negotiate. 4 miles. 2 ½ hours.

**Transport:** For public transport times please visit [www.yorkshiretravel.net](http://www.yorkshiretravel.net) or call Traveline Yorkshire on 0871 2002233.

If coming by car, park in the pay and display car park at Hawes National Park Centre.

**Information:** Hawes National Park Centre, Station Yard, Hawes, North Yorkshire DL8 3NT T: 01969 666210.



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### To start this Turner Trail...

Begin at the National Park Centre car park in Hawes, take the footpath in the corner of the car park near the railway engine and turn right onto Brunt Acres Road, continue until you reach a gate with a sign for the Pennine Way. Walk along this paved path across the meadow.

02

### This is one of the paved paths built around Hawes during the 19th century.

Farmers were exasperated at having their meadows trampled by quarrymen walking to work at Hardraw and Burtsett quarries. The quarry owners caved-in to pressure and provided both the stone and manpower to make this and many other footpaths.

Leave the meadow at Haylands Bridge. Cross the bridge, walk along the road a short way and turn right where you see a finger post to Sedbusk. Walk uphill on a footpath until you come to a road. Cross the road, go through a gate stile and continue up the footpath until you reach Sedbusk Lane.

03

### You can enjoy fine views of Wensleydale from the footpath.

Look back towards Hawes, with the village of Gayle beyond.

04

### Sedbusk Lane is part of Lady Anne's Way.

This long-distance footpath celebrates Lady Anne Clifford who was born in Skipton. She was High Sheriff of Westmorland in the 1600's and often travelled this way to visit her castles at Skipton and Brougham near Penrith.

Cross the lane, go through a gate stile and turn left to follow the footpath through meadows until you reach Simonstone. Cross the road bearing slightly left, going through a signed stile to the front of Simonstone Hall.

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05

## Simonstone Hall was built as a hunting lodge in the late 1700's.

It is now a Country House Hotel and a popular venue for weddings.

Go through a gate stile on the left and follow the footpath downhill, coming out at Hardraw just before the Green Dragon Inn. You will find the Turner Trails bench within the Inn's grounds.

06

## Turner spent the night at the Green Dragon Inn when he visited Hardraw Force on the 27th July 1816.

To visit Hardraw Force, you need to go through the pub and pay a small entrance fee. The waterfall is at the head of a short gorge behind the Inn.

INFO

## Turner came to Hardraw Force because it was a famous attraction at the time.

Many of his well-known contemporaries visited the falls, including Lake's poet William Wordsworth.

Turner's viewpoint is right in front of the falls. He made two large sketches and a watercolour study which he used as references for a watercolour he completed later. You can see how much Hardraw Force site has changed since 1816. The valley was entirely bare of trees when Turner visited, possibly because of the demand for timber to build ships during England's long-running war with France. Today you cannot see quite the same view because it is now framed with trees that have grown in the last 200 years.

Another claim to fame for Hardraw Force is that Kevin Costner took a shower here in the 1991 film "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves".

After visiting the falls, leave the Green Dragon Inn, cross over the road and follow the footpath signs through the meadows to the road just before Haylands Bridge. Retrace your steps back to Hawes along the paved path.

INFO

## This walk was originally written and walked by...

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