



# The TR Register Shropshire Group's Tour of the Yorkshire Dales

Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 to Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2022



The Shropshire Group's Tour for 2022 will be a four-night / five-day visit to the Yorkshire Dales.

The Yorkshire Dales form part of the chain of Pennine uplands running up the centre of northern England. Drystone walls skirt around rocky outcrops, trees and streams producing intricate patterns on the landscape.

The sheltered dales are home to small villages and farmsteads, built of local stone and often protected by clumps of trees. Meadows are scattered with stone field barns. Above on the steepest slopes there are sparse woodlands or open rock scree, with fast-flowing streams tumbling into dramatic waterfalls.

The unique towns and villages are set by the hills of the Dales and situated close to scenic waterfalls, limestone scars, caves and woodland walks, and surrounded by classic routes and walks.

Bountiful with character – charming, quaint cobbled town centres with fine stone buildings and warm welcomes; browse the local book shop or nestle by a roaring fire while tasting the finest local produce pubs, cafes and tea rooms have to offer and not forgetting the many interesting family run shops, lively markets and breweries to visit.

For more information about the Yorkshire Dales see: [www.yorkshiredales.org.uk](http://www.yorkshiredales.org.uk).

We will stay at The Charles Bathurst Inn in Arkengarthdale, near Reeth. Arkengarthdale is situated North-West to South-East and is the most Northern of the Dales joining Swaledale at the village of Reeth which is the capital of these two beautiful dales. Originally called Arkils Garth, Arkengarthdale is believed to be named after Arkil, an 11th century Viking chieftain.

Once famous for its lead mining, which was mined for thousands of years, all that now remains are the spoil heaps and the chimneys of the smelting mills. Arkle Beck Meadows is a designated Biological site of special scientific interest and covers over 21 acres.

The road from Reeth passes through many streams and water catchments including Great Punchard Gill, Roe Beck and William Gill and an interesting, if alien and rather remote, drive takes you along the Upper Swaledale Dales Trail, from Reeth towards the Tan Hill Inn, England's highest pub and then down through Swaledale, back to Reeth, breathtaking in its magnificence!

The dale of Arkengarthdale holds the annual Scott Motorcycle endurance event which is 84 miles long and is run by the Richmond Motor Club. It was also at the heart of the 1970's film series 'All Creatures Great and Small' an adaption of the books of the Yorkshire vet, James Herriot, especially recognisable is the scene in which Siegfried's car splashes through the stream, a particularly lovely place to picnic now. The dale also featured in another TV mini-series 'A Woman of Substance'.

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The Charles Bathurst Inn is an AA rated 4 Star Inn and has been awarded an AA Rosette for its food. There are 19 rooms, and they are reserving them all for us **until the end of October.** There is a variety of rooms:

4 x Large Superior Doubles

6 x Superior Doubles

4 x Superior Twin Rooms

4 x Principal Doubles

1 x Principal Twin Room

NB – Twin rooms cannot be made into doubles

For more information see: [www.cbinn.co.uk](http://www.cbinn.co.uk)

Our accommodation will be for Dinner Bed and Breakfast for four nights. Dinner will be 3 courses at £25 per head per night. However, this will be billed separately and will not appear on your booking form as their computer system has only been set up for B&B. Coffee and drinks will be charged as taken.

Prices are:

Large Superior Double	£560 + evening meals (£200)
Superior Double	£540 + evening meals (£200)
Superior Twin	£540 + evening meals (£200)
Principal Double	£480 + evening meals (£200)
Principal Twin	£480 + evening meals (£200)
Single Occupancy of a Principal room	£340 + evening meals (£100)

To book please telephone The Charles Bathurst Inn on **01748 884567 or 0333 7000 779**. Our contact is Tracey. You will need to explain that you are a member of the Shropshire TR Group.

There will be a £100 deposit to be paid on booking. This is non-returnable except in the case of Covid restrictions. All major credit cards are accepted other than American Express.

Once you have booked your room, would you please inform Roger or Helen Critchley. Contact details are:

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