

Great days out from Alnmouth by bus

Using Alnmouth as a starting point, there are some great ways to explore Northumberland without a car. The table below lists the services available and selected running times. Overleaf, are some ideas to help plan your day out, as well as details of lots of discounts available with your bus ticket.

Destination Attractions and things to do	Service number	Change needed?	Frequency	Departure time from Alnmouth	Outward arrival time	Return departure time	Arrival time in Alnmouth	Link to timetable
Alnmouth Alnmouth Castle and Gardens, Barter Books	Arriva X18	No	Hourly	09:31 10:41	09:45 10:55	16:12 17:12	16:26 17:26	ArrivaX18
Amble Harbour village, RSPB Coquet Island	Arriva X18	No	Hourly	09:16 10:16	09:34 10:34	16:24 17:34	16:41 17:51	ArrivaX18
Bamburgh Bamburgh Castle, Grace Darling Museum	Arriva X18	No	Six per day	09:31 11:41	11:11 13:11	14:48 16:48	16:26 18:28	ArrivaX18
Berwick Barracks, Ramparts, Royal Border Bridge	Arriva X18	Yes, Arriva X15	Five per day	09:31 then 10:00 X15 at Alnmouth	10:52	17:17 18:12 X18 at Alnmouth	18:28	Arriva X18 Arriva X15
Craster Dunstanburgh Castle, harbour, kippers	Arriva X18	No	Six per day	09:31 11:41	10:33 12:33	15:26 17:26	16:26 18:28	ArrivaX18
Holy Island Lindisfarne Castle, Priory, Heritage Centre	Arriva X18	Yes, Island Hopper	Daily*	Varies, depending on tide times. Check online for exact times and see overleaf for more details.				ArrivaX18 Hopper
Seahouses Harbour, Farne Islands, fish and chips	Arriva X18	No	Six per day	09:31 11:41	10:59 12:59	14:59 16:59	16:26 18:28	ArrivaX18
Warkworth Warkworth Castle and Hermitage	Arriva X18	No	Hourly	09:16 10:16	09:27 10:27	15:30 16:30	15:41 16:41	ArrivaX18
Wooler Northumberland National Park and Cheviot Hills	Arriva X18	Yes, PCL 473	Three per day	09:31 then 10:30 473 at Alnmouth	11:13	17:05 then 18:12 X18 at Alnmouth	18:28	ArrivaX18 PCL473

Please note: All journey times are for Monday – Friday. Times on Saturdays may differ and there is a much reduced service on Sunday. Timetables valid until 28/10/2018. Details can be checked on Traveline Journey Planner: www.traveline.info and on the Arriva app: www.arrivabus.co.uk/app



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Where to get on and off the bus in Alnmouth?

All the times listed in this guide are for the bus stop on Argyle Street:



Credit: [Google Maps](#)

Can I get any discounts for using the bus?

Yes you can! The following attractions offer 20% off normal admission to bus users:

- Alnwick Castle and Gardens
- Bailiffgate Museum
- Bamburgh Castle
- Berwick Barracks
- Dunstanburgh Castle
- Etal Castle
- Heatherslaw Cornmill
- Lady Waterford Hall
- Lindisfarne Castle
- Lindisfarne Priory
- Warkworth Castle

Just make sure you keep your bus ticket to claim the discounted price when you arrive at the attraction.

What can I do?

There are many great ways to combine the bus with a walk, some great views and a bite to eat. Here are three of our favourites, which all start and finish in Alnmouth.

1. Walk to Warkworth

For a great day out, it's possible to walk along the Northumberland Coast Path to the historic village of Warkworth. It's about five miles away from Alnmouth and has plenty of places for refreshments upon arrival. After refuelling you could visit Warkworth Castle and the Hermitage as well as enjoy a gentle stroll by the river and visit the 14th century bridge. When you're ready to return to Alnmouth, you can either retrace your steps along the Coast Path or instead catch the X18 from the Market Place with possible departures at 15:30, 16:30 or 17:40.

2. Alnwick round trip

If the weather is not looking too good, or you don't feel like walking very far, a day trip to Alnwick is a great option. After catching the 09:31 or 10:41 bus from Alnmouth to Alnwick make the most of your ticket by enjoying discounted entry at Alnwick Castle

and Gardens. There is also the Bailiffgate Museum to visit as well as Barter Books, which is situated inside the town's old train station. When you have finished exploring this old market town, return to the bus station to catch the X18 back to Alnmouth. Services are hourly, with departures including 15:02, 16:12, 17:12 and 18:12.

3. Coastal challenge from Craster

For a long walk, we recommend taking the X18 service to Craster at 09:31. From this harbour village it is about eight miles back to Alnmouth on the Northumberland Coast Path. On the way you'll pass through the small fishing village of Boulmer. There are not very many places to stop along the way, so make sure you take some water and snacks with you to keep energy levels up!

*Buses to Holy Island

Holy Island is tidal so the bus times change daily. For all the most up-to-date information, check the [Holy Island Hopper timetable](#) before you travel.

