

Great days out from Bamburgh by bus

Using Bamburgh 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 Bamburgh	Outward arrival time	Return departure time	Arrival time in Bamburgh	Link to timetable
Alnmouth Coast Path	Arriva X18	No	Six per day	08:38 10:48	10:16 12:16	15:41 17:51	17:21 19:21	ArrivaX18
Alnwick Alnwick Castle and Gardens, Barter Books	Arriva X18 or Travelsure 418	No	Hourly	09:48 10:48	10:57 11:57	16:02 17:00	17:21 18:09	Arriva X18/418
Belford Coast Path and Belford Museum	Arriva X18 or Travelsure 418	No	Hourly	10:09 11:11	10:24 11:26	14:33 16:33	14:48 16:48	Arriva X18/418
Berwick Barracks, Ramparts, Royal Border Bridge	Arriva X18	No	Five per day	09:01 11:11	09:42 11:52	16:07 18:17	16:48 18:58	ArrivaX18
Craster Dunstanburgh Castle, harbour, kippers	Arriva X18 or Travelsure 418	No	Hourly	09:48 10:48	10:31 11:26	15:26 16:43	16:09 17:21	Arriva X18/418
Ford & Etal Heatherslaw Corn Mill, heritage sites	Arriva X18	Yes, Glen Valley 267	Three per day	09:01 then 11:15 267 at Berwick	11:40(Etal) 11:45 (Ford)	17:13 (Ford) 17:18 (Etal) then 18:17 X18 Berwick	18:58	ArrivaX18 Glen267
High Newton-by-the-Sea Dunstanburgh Castle, Coast Path	Travelsure 418	No	Four per day	09:48 11:48	10:16 12:16	15:41 17:41	16:09 18:09	Travelsure 418
Holy Island Lindisfarne Castle, Priory, Heritage Centre	Arriva X18	Yes, Perryman's 477	Weds & Fri*	Change at Beal. Varies, depending on tide. Check online for times and see overleaf for more details.				ArrivaX18 Perry477
Seahouses Harbour, Farne Islands, fish and chips	Arriva X18 or Travelsure 418	No	Hourly	09:48 10:48	09:59 10:58	15:58 17:10	16:09 17:21	Arriva X18/418
Wooler Northumberland National Park and Cheviot Hills	Arriva X18	Yes, Glen Valley 473	Three per day	08:38 then 09:55 473 at Alnwick	10:40	17:05 then 18:12 X18 at Alnwick	19:21	ArrivaX18 Glen473

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 24/09/17. 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 Bamburgh?

All the times listed in this guide are from the main road which runs through the village:



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 Bamburgh.

1. An easy stroll to Seahouses

For a leisurely day out why not walk along the Northumberland Coast Path to Seahouses? It's only about four miles to Seahouses harbour where you can take a boat trip to the Farne Islands or visit the RNLI Lifeboat Station. Seahouses is famous for its fresh seafood and they'll be plenty of time to enjoy some fish and chips before getting the X18 or 418 bus back to Bamburgh. Services run hourly, including ones at 15:00, 15:58, 17:10 and 17:58.

2. Bamburgh to Belford on the Northumberland Coast Path

Another popular option is to walk to Belford on the Northumberland Coast Path. You'll pass Budle Bay on the way, which is part of the Lindisfarne National Nature Reserve and a haven for birds including pale-bellied brent geese and wigeon. Once in Belford they'll be

time to have a look at the market town's medieval cross as well as visit the Belford and District Hidden History Museum. They'll also be the chance for a well-deserved pint whilst waiting for the bus back to Bamburgh at 14:33 or 16:33. As this walk is about six miles altogether it's a good idea to take some water and snacks with you.

3. Make a round trip to Berwick

It's possible to have a really great day out in Berwick using the bus. Catching the X18 service at 09:01 will give you plenty of time to explore this historic town. As well as the town walls and three bridges to see, you can also follow the Lowry Trail and enjoy 20% off entry to Berwick Barracks with your bus ticket. Once you've finished sight-seeing and perhaps tried some local food and drink, catch the X18 back at 16:07 or 18:17.

*Buses to Holy Island

Holy Island is tidal so the bus times change daily depending on when low and high tide is and when the causeway is open. For all the most up-to-date information, check the [Perryman's bus timetable](#) before you travel.

