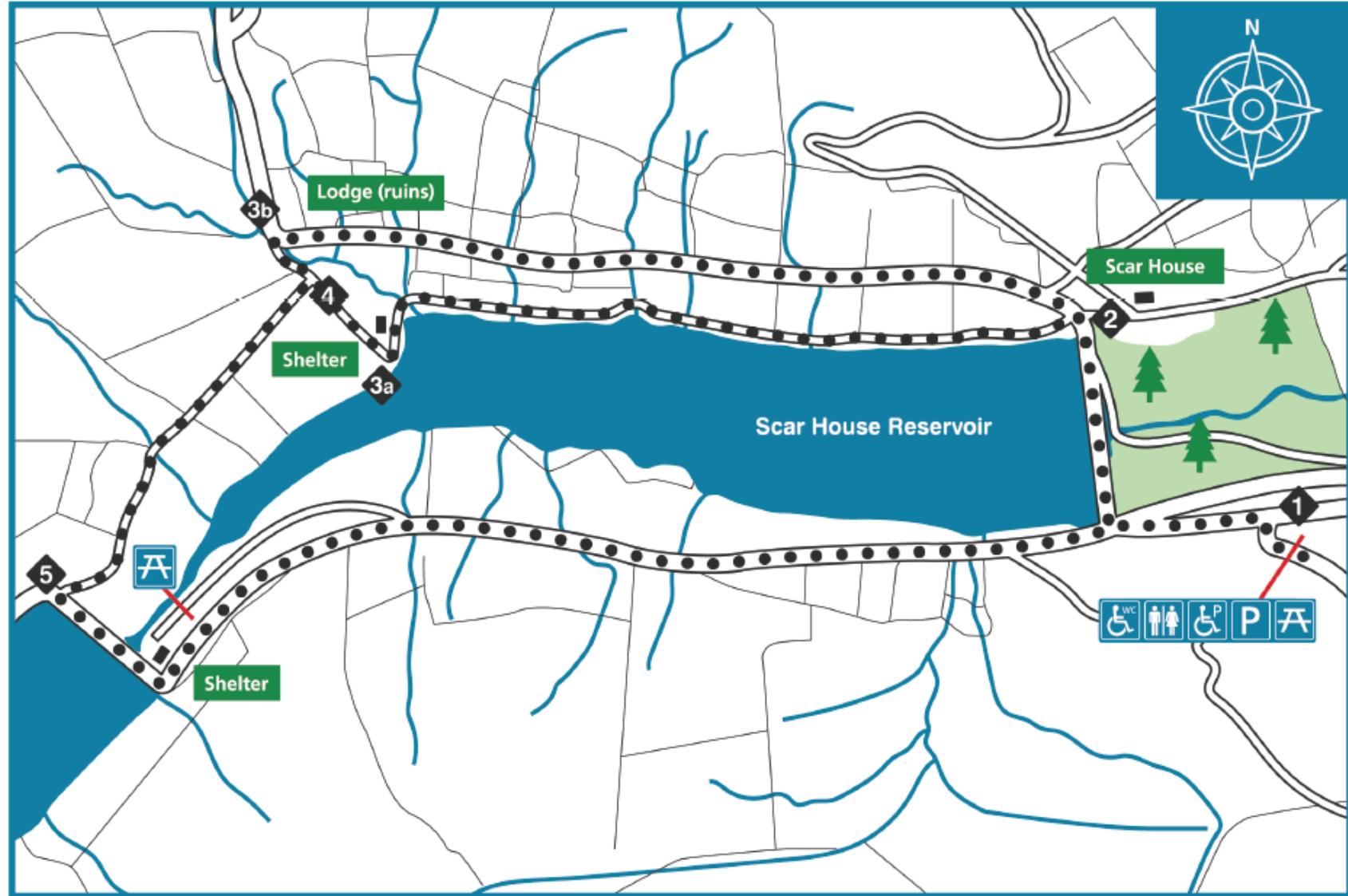


SCAR HOUSE

Key:

Road	
Path	
Route	
River	
Woodlands	
Disabled toilets	
Toilets	
Disabled parking	
Parking	
Picnic area	
Building	



200m

Route Fact File	
Location:	Near Middlesmoor in Nidderdale, about 10 miles north of Pateley Bridge
Difficulty:	Three Boots
Route Length:	3 Miles/4.8 Kilometres
Walking Time:	3 Hours
Terrain & Gradient:	A mixture of rough, uneven tracks, tarmac roads, and moorland paths. Some sections can get muddy and boggy at wetter times of year. There are some steep climbs. Sturdy boots, waterproofs and appropriate warm layers are recommended, as this is an exposed area where the weather can quickly change.
How To Get There:	<p>By car: This route starts from our free car park (Point 1), which is near the end of the reservoir dam and does not have a height barrier. To get here, follow Yorkshire Water's private tarmac access road, which turns off to the right about 100 metres after Lofthouse village when driving towards Middlesmoor. To get to Lofthouse Village from Pateley Bridge, follow Low Wath Road for about 7 miles.</p> <p>From Masham: follow Fearby Road, which becomes Keld Bank and passes through Healey and Leighton. After Leighton Reservoir, Keld Bank becomes Pott Bank, then Pott Moor High Road, then Trapping Hill before entering Lofthouse Village, about 10 miles from Masham. Take a right at the T-junction, then look out for the Yorkshire Water access road on the right after about 150m.</p> <p>By public transport: Nidderdale DalesBus 821 runs to Scar House Reservoir Cafe from Keighley, Shipley, Guiseley, Otley and Pateley Bridge on summer Sundays and bank holidays.</p>
Facilities:	    
OS Map:	Explorer OL30 – Yorkshire Dales North & Central

Situated at the head of Nidderdale, this often wild yet beautiful area can be explored using this circular route around the water. Scar House Reservoir is remote and peaceful and surrounded by impressive scenery. Along this route you can also admire the impressive architecture of the neighbouring Angram Reservoir, with its dramatic arches across the spillway which flows into Scar House.

Route Description:

Leave the car park at Scar House (**Point 1**) and walk along the tarmac road towards the reservoir. At the South-Eastern corner of the water, turn right to cross the dam. When you reach the other end of the dam (**Point 2**), turn left and follow the path that runs alongside the reservoir shore. This section can get quite boggy; there is an alternative option at this point to follow the upper track which runs parallel to the shore.

If following the lower path from **point 2**, continue along this route keeping near the waterside. About half way along, you will cross a fence through a gate. After about a mile, the path bears left past a walker's shelter on your right. Head towards the gate and immediately after passing through the gate, turn right uphill keeping the wall close to your right. Climb over the stile and turn left through a gate to enter a pasture.

If following the upper track from **point 2**, stay on this track for about 1 ¼ miles, until you reach a T-junction after Lodge ruins (**Point 3b**). Here, take a left along the walled lane to some sheep folds. Climb over a ladder stile on your right by a gate (**Point 4**) to enter a pasture. From **point 4**, follow a way marker which points towards Angram dam (1/2 mile).

Continue along the well-defined footpath, crossing through three more gates and following the yellow way markers, until you reach the northern end of Angram dam (**Point 5**).

Turn left, following the way marker for Scar House Circular Footpath, which takes you across the dam. At the other side, turn left to follow the tarmac access road along the southern side of Scar House Reservoir back to the car park (**point 1**). There is a walker's shelter and a picnic bench if you fancy a rest to enjoy the views after crossing Angram Dam.

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