

# River Tyne to Chesters Fort

12 miles (19 km) - **Moderate**

**Start:** Tyne Green Country Park in Hexham

Make your way up the River Tyne from Hexham on Hadrian's Cycleway then follow the North Tyne river through peaceful countryside to visit Chesters Roman Fort and Chesters Walled Garden. Quiet roads and tarmac riverside path with a few steady climbs.

**Public transport:** Nearby station on Tyne Valley line. Hadrian's Wall Bus and other bus services.

**Refreshments:** Boatside Inn, Warden; George Hotel and Riverside Tearooms, Chollerford; Crown inn at Humshaugh (1km from route); tea-room at Chesters Roman Fort (Fort visitors only); Railway Hotel and Garage and Post Office (drinks and snacks); Fourstones; wide choice in Hexham.

**Public toilets:** At Tyne Green Country Park

**1** Follow Hadrian's Cycleway (72) through the park and along the river upstream to West Boat.

**2** TR over the bridge and TR again just before the Boatside Inn. Quite a steep hill follows but great views over the North Tyne River and of Warden Hill on your left - site of an Iron Age Hill Fort.

**3** TR at T jct (sign to Chesters). Chesters Walled Garden is on your R just before the Military Road.

**4** TR at the Military Road, but beware of fast traffic – wheel your bike on the footway here if you are in any doubt.

**5** Chesters Roman Fort is 600m on R. (to go to Riverside Tearooms or George Hotel continue on Military Road (B6318) for 600 m).

**6** To return, go back along the Military Road and TL (sign to Fourstones). Go up and over the hill before dropping into Fourstones.

**7** TL in village (take care on the bends) and head towards Bridge End. Swing R at Boatside Inn, then over bridge. TL to retrace your route back into Hexham along the river.

