

NIDD VALE CIRCUIT

26 MILES

From Lofthouse Village Hall (**GR 101735**) go past village post office, up the road to Masham, TL at the bend along the track to Thrope House Farm, at the farm TR through sheep pens past a barn to a gate go through and TL to another gate, TR following fence on RT past a wood on the RT ½ way up TL along the track up to a gate, continue up to a shooting box with Castle Type Towers, TL along the track to Dale Edge Top and stay high all the way to (**GR 084779**). TR along a shooting track with Grouse Butts to the Boundary Fence cross at the corner. TL follow the fence to Great Haw, cross TR follow fence on RT to (**GR 079809**) TR, follow track to a disused mine shaft with fence around continue to cross hidden footbridge and go down to Bow Bridge and West Scafton, TR after the gate, along the road at (**GR 075838**). TL along the Low Lane Track follow FP past a building on LT to a fence, cross go down to a ditch cross, go up to the field bearing left and look for a new FB cross and continue to the road. TL past Lane House TR at St Simon's FP sign to East Scafton, after 60 yds TL through a gate, follow fence, TR through a gate then TL and follow the fence to (**GR 091849**) then go down to a FB, cross then look for a line of wooden steps to take you into Calbergh Village (**THIS ROUTE TO SLIP STONE CRAGG, IS A DIFFICULT ROUTE, BECAUSE THE SO CALLED FOOTPATH HAS BEEN ALLOWED TO DISAPPEAR**). At Calbergh Hall take the Redway track (**GR 096847**) to Rakes Foss (**GR 099831**) at the point where the track bears left to a Shooting Box there is a sign saying **NO RIGHT OF WAY** do not go, head down into a gully on the left hand side of Scale Gill, continue along and below Calbergh Moor, crossing Blackstone Gill to Long Side (**GR 129283**), cross Brownbeck to track coming down from Slip Stone Cragg, and continue on to a metal road to Gollinglith Foot and Phone Box, go over the footbridge TR, and follow the stream to a track TL and follow it past Spout House, then to Towler Hill Farm, at the farm go through the gate at the RT side of the building, follow the edge of the field to the corner. TR to a stile at the corner (**GR 146794**) with a gate, TL follow wall on the LT for a short while then TR across fence to the wall corner, cross stile to a line of trees, follow them on the LT down to High Sourmire Farm not in use. TR in front of the house past a building TL down to the corner of the wall and cross a stile then go down to Grimes Gill Beck, cross at the FB (which is hidden) then go up the hill to a gate continue on and go through two more gates, TR then TL to a gate then to a road and Cattle Grid (**GR 143779**). TR follow the road to West Summer Side Farm at second gate. TL then follow the line of trees to the corner at the farm house, then go through the gate and continue straight on down to Gill Beck which flows into the Round Hill Reservoir, cross then go through the black gate TR on a shooting track to another, TR follow it for a short while to a boundary stone. TL down another track which takes you past a wood (**GR 135726**), TR at (**GR 135718**) down to Bouthwaite TR along the Nidderdale Way to Longside House continue down to the road (**GR 111726**) TL then over stile over stile follow river on the left to Lofthouse Village (**GR 101735**) to FINISH.

Time limit 12 hours maps required Landranger 99 1:50,000 Northallerton, Ripon and Surrounding Area.