

## Ilkley Riverside Gardens

LOCATION

Ilkley **DISTANCE** 

2.4 km / 1.5 miles

1 hr 30 mins

**DIFFICULTY** 

Easy

LANDSCAPE

Riverside, parkland

River views, suspension bridge, playground

## Ilkley Riverside Gardens:

This gentle route along the banks of the River Wharfe is largely flat, with just two short, steeper sections.

It should be suitable for regular sized pushchairs and wheelchairs. The walk has been created in partnership with Open Country, a charity dedicated to helping people with disabilities access and enjoy the countryside.

Discover more of their accessible routes at: opencountry.org.uk

## Map key

Route

**Parking** 

Train line

Train station

**Footpath** 

Toilet

Road



View point



Cafe

Canal/River

## Access notes

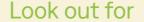
Benches are abundant along the route, with a maximum distance of 500m between resting places. Wheelchair users may struggle when crossing the old bridge and when crossing New Brook Street and along some of the path on the first section of the walk. An accessible toilet is located near the Ilkley Riverside Bar. Care should be taken when crossing New Brook Street as it may be busy with fast moving traffic. Gates, stiles, railway line crossing, steep uphill.

Parking: On-street parking on Denton Road and New Brook Street.

Bus routes: X84, 62, 64.

Rail: Ilkley station.

OS Map: 297 Lower Wharfedale and Washburn Valley.



Riverside Gardens: With its trees, playground, skatepark and riverside pub, these gardens are enjoyed by all ages. If the weather is kind you can picnic on the grass or sit and enjoy the river view from one of the many benches.

Suspension bridge: The green metal suspension bridge at the eastern end of our walk was built in 1934 by London engineering company, David Rodwell & Co., which also built bridges in Chile, New Zealand and Guatemala.

River Wharfe: Starting in the heart of the Yorkshire Dales, the River Wharfe is 65 miles long, winding its way past the gentle waterfalls of Linton and onto Bolton Abbey before passing through Ilkley on its way to joining the Ouse near Tadcaster.







