



ALE WATER VALLEY MAP

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THE ALE WATER VALLEY

The Ale Water bubbles and breaks along its valley deep in the heart of the Scottish Borders, running from high in the Robertson hills above Hawick through the villages of Ashkirk and Lilliesleaf until it joins the Teviot just south of Ancrum.

The Ale Water Valley is a magical place; the river winds and drops through bleak moors and hidden lochs at its outset, passes through the old Riddell parkland and Chesters Estate, and hides caves used in reiving days at its end.

Nowadays the Ale Water Valley retains its mystical feel whilst being home to a number of thriving businesses, a haven for outdoor pursuits and a destination for discerning tourists in search of a place where you can truly become lost in time and beauty.

“Unchallenged, thence rode Deloraine, To ancient Riddell’s fair domain, Where Aill, from mountains freed, Down from the lakes did raving come; Each wave was crested with tawny foam, Like the mane of a chestnut steed.”

Sir Walter Scott, from ‘Lay of the Last Minstrel’

‘The hill road to Robertson: Ale Water at our feet, And grey hills and blue hills that melt away and meet, With cotton-flowers that wave to us and lone whaups that call, And over all the Border mist – the soft mist over all’

Will H. Ogilvie, from ‘The Road to Robertson’



1 DRINKSTONE

Walking, wildlife and scenery.

Hawick, Roxburghshire, TD9 7NY | 07860 389 773

2 NEW WOLL ESTATE - The Woll Restaurant & Bar 19.

Self-catering accommodation with FREE GOLF, on the borders most popular visitor golf course, for all our guests
A great restaurant and the perfect venue for your event.

New Woll Estate, Ashkirk, Selkirkshire TD7 4PE
Accommodation: 01750 32799
Golf/Restaurant bookings: 01750 32711
wollgolf.co.uk

3 SYNTON MAINS HOLIDAY COTTAGES & DRIVING RANGE

Set in the heart of the lovely Borders Countryside you will find Synton Mains self catering cottages with the River Ale running through the Estate. Each cottage sleeps 6. Ample private parking for cars, storage for cycles and motorbikes. We also have stabling for horses.

Synton Mains Golf Driving Range provides 10 floodlit spacious undercover bays and outside bays for those who prefer to play off grass. A large practice bunker along with cleverly placed target markers and nets. Professional coaching available.

Synton Mains Farmhouse, Ashkirk, Selkirk, Scottish Borders, TD7 4PA
01750 32388/07974 706194 | info@syntonmains.com
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4 IAN STARK EQUESTRIAN CENTRE

Riding Lessons and expansive trekking. The Ian Stark Equestrian Centre now has around 40 horses and ponies and is busy for lessons and hacking 7 days a week. The centre is BHS approved and all instructors are first aid trained and have full disclosures.

The farm also boasts SSSIs and walkers and cyclists are welcome to make use of the hill tracks over the farm. Self-catering available.

Ian Stark Equestrian Centre | Greenhill Farm | Selkirk | TD7 4NP
01750 20202 | info@ianstarkequestriancentre.co.uk
ianstarkequestriancentre.co.uk

5 CLERKLANDS FISHERY

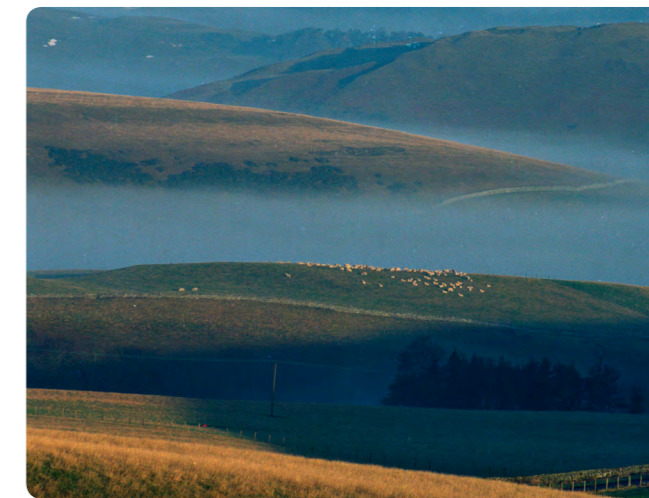
Clerklands is a beautiful loch of around 4 acres in size and is up to 25ft deep in places. It is a very tranquil place to fish and have a relaxing day.

Clerklands Fly Fishery, Clerklands Loch, Riddell Estate, Melrose, TD6 9JR.
01835 870519 | zyz19718@hotmail.com | clerklandsfishery.co.uk

6 RIDDELL ESTATE & TOWER

Beautiful woodland surrounds the Riddell Tower, this species rich site is a highly bio-diverse natural environment. It is a fertile homeland to roe deer, red squirrels, badgers and many native birds such as wood peckers and herons.

Riddell Estate, Lilliesleaf, Melrose, TD6 9JP
01835 870309 | riddellestate.co.uk



7 JAMMY COO CAFE & GALLERY

Enjoy relaxing in our cosy and very welcoming coffee shop, taking in the beautiful original artwork that adorns our walls whilst sampling some of the delectable home-made delights from our Jammy Coo menu. Open 6 days - Closed Mondays.

Jammy Coo, The Green, Lilliesleaf TD6 9JB
01835 870537 | delia@jammycoo.co.uk | jammycoo.com

8 WHITMUIR FARM COTTAGES

Holiday lets on a nature conservation award winning farm.

Whitmuir Farm Holiday Cottages, Whitmuir, Selkirk, TD7 4PZ
whitmuir@aol.com | Facebook: Whitmuir Wildlife | whitmuir-cottages.co.uk

9 SANDYSTONES BED AND BREAKFAST

On a working farm with Arable crops, Aberdeen Angus cattle, Organic free - range laying hens, Kune Kune pigs and a llama! Enjoy the riverside walk along the banks of the Ale Water. Stabling for horses also available.

Sandystones B&B, Ancrum, Jedburgh, TD8 6UP
01835 830507

10 CROSS KEYS ANCNUM

The Ancrum Cross Keys is a pub filled with character and characters, fuelled by exceptional beer and truly incredible food.

Ancrum Cross Keys, Ancrum, Jedburgh, TD8 6XH
01835 830242 | crosskeysdining@gmail.com | ancrumcrosskeys.com

11 BISLEY AT BRAIDWOOD

Scotland’s largest sporting clay shooting ground, overlooking the Eildon Hills, offers the best sporting clay shooting for everyone from the novice to seasoned pro. Bisley at Braidwood is also home to the country’s 1st 100m full-bore rifle pipe range. Beautifully laid out with a 100 seater Restaurant & Cafe serving delicious home-cooked specialities, a Country Retail Store and Working Gunroom. Open Tuesday – Sunday for Visits, Clay Shooting Instruction, Pay& Play Clay Shooting, Private & Corporate Events.

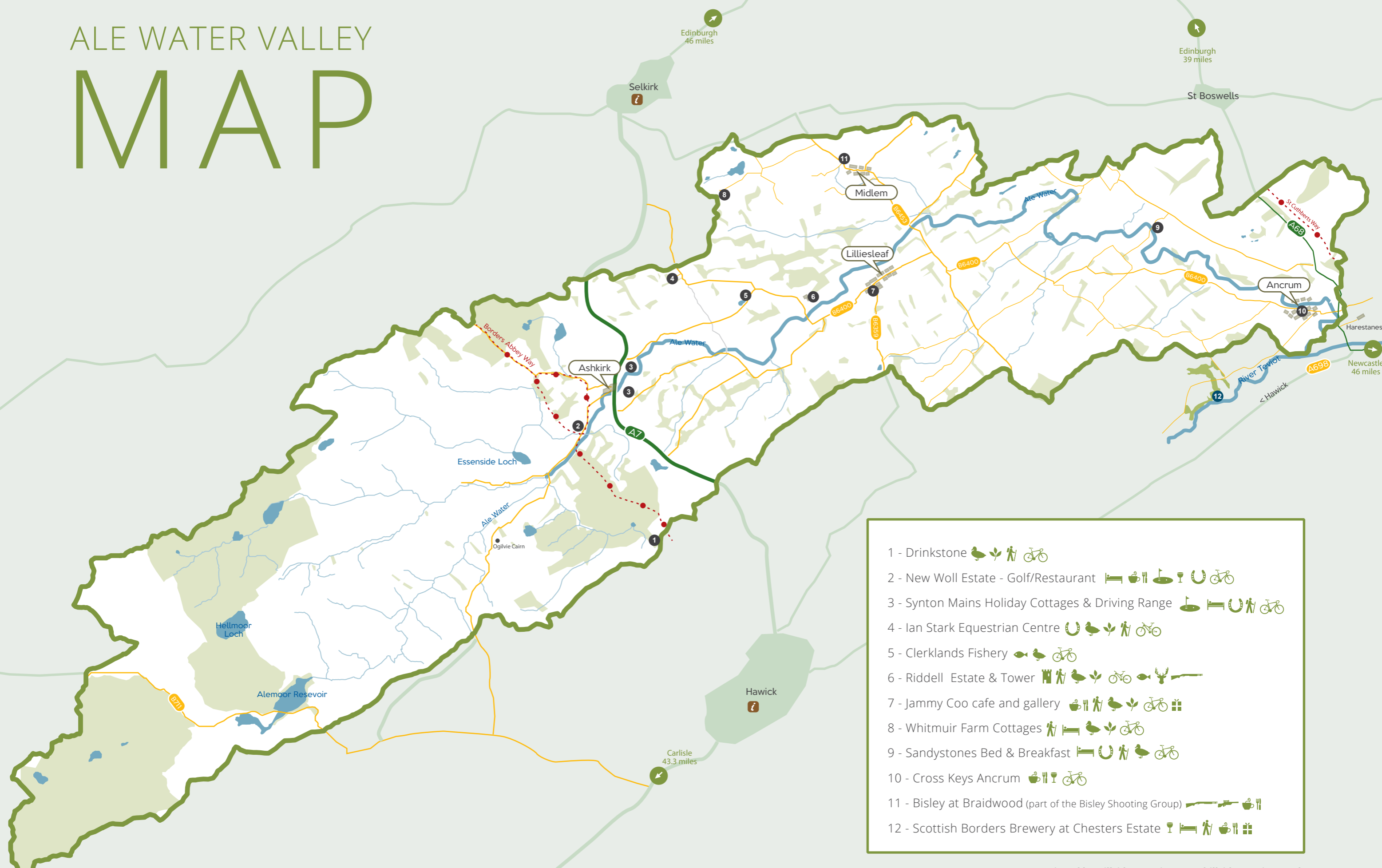
Bisley at Braidwood, Midlem, Selkirk, TD7 4QD
01835 870280 | bisleyshooting.co.uk

12 SCOTTISH BORDERS BREWERY AT CHESTER ESTATE

We have now brewed over 100,000 pints and the beers are available in approximately 140 pubs - in places ranging from our local villages of Ancrum and Denholm to Edinburgh, Newcastle and beyond.

Chesters Estate, Ancrum, near Jedburgh, Scottish Borders, TD8 6UL
07802 416 494 | info@chestersestate.com | chestersestate.com

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- 1 - Drinkstone 🍷🌿🚶🚲
- 2 - New Woll Estate - Golf/Restaurant 🏠🍷🏌️🍷🚲
- 3 - Synton Mains Holiday Cottages & Driving Range 🏠🚶🚲
- 4 - Ian Stark Equestrian Centre 🐎🌿🚶🚲
- 5 - Clerklands Fishery 🐟🌿🚲
- 6 - Riddell Estate & Tower 🏰🚶🌿🚲🐟🍷
- 7 - Jammy Coo cafe and gallery 🍷🚶🌿🚲🎨
- 8 - Whitmuir Farm Cottages 🏠🚶🌿🚲
- 9 - Sandystones Bed & Breakfast 🏠🚶🌿🚲
- 10 - Cross Keys Ancrum 🍷🚲
- 11 - Bisley at Braidwood (part of the Bisley Shooting Group) 🏠🍷🚶
- 12 - Scottish Borders Brewery at Chesters Estate 🍷🏠🚶🍷🎨