

For the occasional leisure cyclist

13m / 21km Traquair House (Peebles Local Cycling Trails) Allow 1 hour cycling each way plus time for stops

Peebles is an attractive tourist destination with a charming atmosphere and plenty to do either before or after your cycle. Awarded the distinction of 'Top Independent Retailing Town in Scotland', Peebles is a haven for shopping enthusiasts with an eclectic array of independent shops to explore. Foodies will be equally delighted by an extensive choice of eating establishments from cafes and tearooms to fine dining rooms offering exquisite menus and for the culturally minded the Eastgate Theatre and Art Centre programmes a diverse variety of arts entertainment spanning theatre, dance, film and exhibitions.

Start from the Kingsmeadows Car Park and enjoy an easy ride over 2m / 3km to the entrance to Kailzie Gardens where you can enjoy this privately owned beautiful garden in peaceful surroundings. Traditional home cooking and light snacks are available in the restaurant. From Easter until the end of August, you can watch the rare and beautiful Osprey at The Kailzie Nature Centre; information about other local wildlife and nature activities are also on offer for children.

A short distance further along the route, Kirkburn in the Cardona Forest provides a rest and picnic stop with the opportunity to enjoy its forest walks and cycle trails.

Continue onto the Bear Gates at Traquair House. Visitors are invited to enjoy the house, originally a hunting lodge for kings and queens and Scotland's oldest continually inhabited house. There are also extensive grounds, a maze, craft workshops, Cottage Restaurant and brewery.

When you are ready, retrace the outbound route back to Peebles.

Alternatively, continue on the B7062 to Traquair Village then turn left onto the B709 to Innerleithen where there are further refreshments on offer before returning to Peebles.

Download the Peebles Local Cycling Trails leaflet [here](#)

You can find more information on visitor attractions and check opening times [here](#)

From ride outs to rugby sevens, book festivals to bogie challenges, the Scottish Borders has a packed events calendar. Discover what's on [here](#)

Save room in your saddle bag and take home some of the regions award winning local produce. Visit [here](#) for more details.

Find out more about Peebles and its history on foot; download the Peebles Town Trail [here](#)