

Exploring the North East of England

Giving you insight into the beauty of
the North East of England



Just as a reminder...

In case of a fire alarm, please remain calm and exit the building to your nearest fire assembly point, which is **directly outside of the Urban Sciences Building**.

There will be a formal **International Welcome Celebration** happening on Friday at 2pm, with speakers, games, and pizza!

If you have questions at any point throughout the week, please ask someone at our **Help Desk** who will be happy to help.



Are there any places that you
want to visit in the North East?



Getting Around the North East

Transportation around the North East is very easy with a few simple tips

- Utilise apps like Google Maps to plan your routes
- Get a Metro POP card and buy a student pass online



- Buses are very well connected.
- Ask drivers for day tickets (tickets are specific to bus companies)
- Newcastle has 'age 21 and under' tickets, making single journey tickets £1 and day tickets £3
- If you visit rural areas, bring snacks and water
- Ask for directions or help if you need it!
- Trains to almost anywhere in the UK leave from Central Station
- Join a student society that enjoys travel and plans group trips to cut costs



Natural spaces around Newcastle

Leazes Park

- Located behind the RVI hospital – walking distance from the University's main campus
- Lake surrounded by woodland areas, with tennis and basketball courts
- The coffee shop located in the centre sells food bags for the ducks and geese



Jesmond Dene

- Located in the heart of Newcastle
- A unique stretch of trees and bridges along a stream following a multitude of winding paths
- Being here, you would never think you were in a major city
- See if you can spot a kingfisher along the way



Alnwick Castle

Journey time: 1hr 30 min
By: Bus

How do I get there?

- X15 bus to Alnwick leaves Haymarket every hour.
- A filming location for several films, including Harry Potter!
- This is a great opportunity for a memorable day out either solo or with friends! Wear comfortable shoes to explore this hillside area.
- You could also visit Alnwick town and explore many cafes and gift shops.
- Take a virtual tour with Rob!



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Holy Island

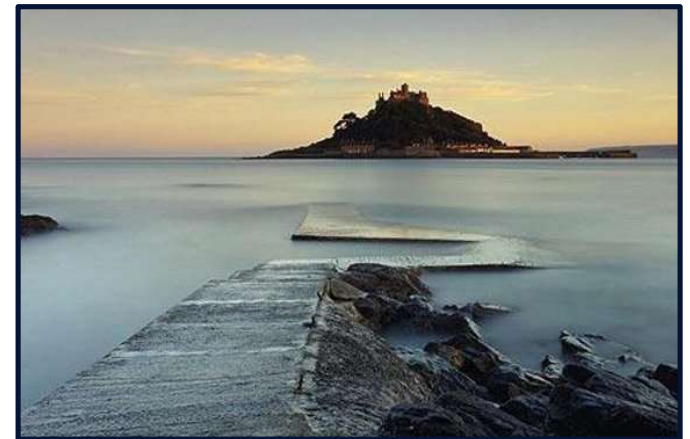
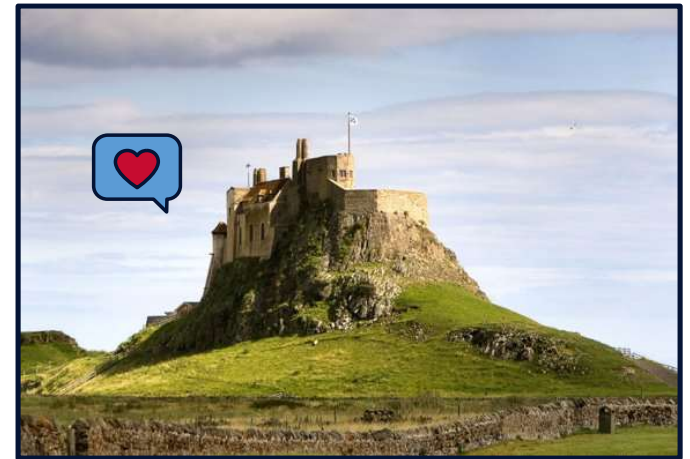
Journey time: 1hr 15 min
By: Car

How do I get there?

- This is a more remote area and may require private transport, or an organised trip.
- It is well worth the visit for the scenic views!
- Beware of crossing times! The path/road leading to the island disappears under rising tides, you must check online when it is safe to cross.
- Take a virtual tour with Rob!



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Durham

Journey time: 15 min
By: Train

Journey time: 50 min
By: Bus

How do I get there?

- Get a train from Central Station lasting less than 15 minutes.
- Buses (such as Angel 21) leave from Eldon Square, taking 50 minutes.
- Beautiful scenic walks around the river and cute cobbled city!
- You can hire and row boats along the river.
- Take a virtual tour with Rob!

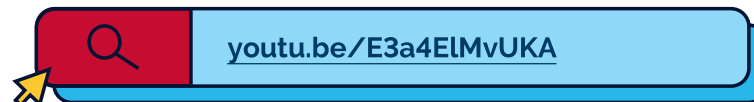


Tynemouth

Journey time: 30 min
By: Metro

How do I get there?

- Easily! Metro from Haymarket to Tynemouth.
- A 10-minute walk until you reach the seafront!
- Many bars and eateries to enjoy, make sure you try a traditional chippy.
- The perfect place for a picnic near the ruins or a stroll along the beaches.
- Take a virtual tour with Rob!



York

Journey time: 1 hr
By: Train

How do I get there?

- Get a train from Central Station.
- This is a vibrant city with so much to explore, visit the railway museum or admire the astonishing architecture.
- Wander through the York City Walls or York Maze.
- Wear comfortable shoes as this city is best seen on foot.
- You can also book a river sight-seeing tour online.



Sport & Culture

- **Sporting events**
 - **Football** Newcastle United nufc.co.uk
 - **Rugby Union** Newcastle Falcons newcastlefalcons.co.uk
 - **Basketball** Newcastle Eagles newcastle-eagles.com
 - **Running** Great North Run greatrun.org/events/great-north-run

- **Culture**
 - **National Trust** nationaltrust.org.uk
 - **City Hall** academymusicgroup.com/o2cityhallnewcastle
 - **Newcastle Arena** utilitaarena.co.uk
 - **The Glasshouse** theglasshouseicm.org
 - **Baltic** baltic.art



**We hope you have a great time
exploring the northern region of
the UK. Safe travels!**

Events coming up

International Welcome Celebration

18 September. 2-4.30pm. Frederick Douglass Centre. Free food and games—come along to meet new friends!

Bank letter collection

ncl.ac.uk/student-welcome/when-you-arrive/finance-and-bank-accounts
15-25 September.
Lindisfarne Room.

Smartcard collection

ncl.ac.uk/student-welcome/when-you-arrive
15-25 September. Lindisfarne Room.

Wellbeing Health Fair

ncl.ac.uk/student-welcome/when-you-arrive/accessing-healthcare
15-25 September. Boiler House.

Students' Union Big Welcome

21 September – 11 October

nusu.co.uk/welcome

Social events and activities. Attend a fair or get a ticket to free and discounted events to meet new people.

Sports, Societies, and Volunteering Fair

nusu.co.uk/welcome

23 September. University Sports Centre. Find out some of the things you can get involved with while at university.

BioBlitz

25 September. Drummond Quad.

ncl.ac.uk/sustainable-campus/events/event-items/bioblitz

Meet new people and learn more about nature on campus.