

# Welcome to Yorkshire

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## **Yorkshire's Tourism Finest Shortlisted for White Rose Awards**

Nearly 100 businesses have been shortlisted as the cream of the crop in Yorkshire tourism.

Covering 16 categories, the White Rose Awards, which is the UK's largest celebration of tourism, includes the best Yorkshire attractions, hotels, B&Bs, restaurants, pubs and many more (Full list of finalists below.)

More than a thousand people will come together for a spectacular awards dinner to recognise and reward the finest tourism businesses in the industry, throughout Yorkshire.

Colin Mellor, Chair of the White Rose Award Judges, said: "Every year, the field of entries seems to get stronger and stronger and this year's awards are certainly no exception.

"We've had a record number of entries, almost a third of which are first time entrants, which is a real testament to the growing tourism offering in Yorkshire."

Gary Verity, Chief Executive of Welcome to Yorkshire, said: "I'm delighted for all the Yorkshire businesses who have been nominated for a White Rose Award."

"They were up against some incredibly tough competition so to be shortlisted is testament to their hard work and commitment to Yorkshire's fantastic tourism industry. We look forward to celebrating with you all on the night!"

The date and spectacular location for the White Rose Awards 2015 will be announced in the coming weeks.

### **WRA 2015 FINALISTS**

#### **SMALL VISITOR ATTRACTION**

Burton Agnes Hall and Gardens

International Centre for Birds of Prey

Yorkshire's Winter Wonderland (Visit York)

Filey Bird Garden & Animal Park

Yorkshire Trike Tours

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**LARGE VISITOR ATTRACTION**

North Bay Railway and Attractions

Yorkshire Wildlife Park

Cannon Hall Farm

Sewerby Hall and Gardens

The Forbidden Corner

York Maze

**TASTE OF YORKSHIRE**

Wadsley Hall Farm Kitchen Ltd (Tipple Tails)

Vanessa Delicatessen, Butchery & Café

Rounton Coffee

Wold Top Brewery

Lottie Shaw's Bakery

Yorkshire Heart Vineyard & Brewery

Yummy Yorkshire

**SELF-CATERING**

Hazel Brow Holidays Swaledale

Lendal Tower

Shire Cruisers

Wolds Edge Holiday Lodges and Snug Huts

The Dovecote Barns

Dalesend Cottages

**PUB**

The Black Bull Inn

Shibden Mill Inn

The Anvil Inn

The Chequers, Bilston in Ainsty

The Blue Boar, York

The Chequers Inn, Ledsham

**RESTAURANT**

Eric's Restaurant

The Hare Restaurant

The Spiced Pear

The Saddle Room

Yorebridge House

1884 Dock Street Kitchen

Middlethorpe Hall

**TOURISM EVENT**

Freedom Festival

Yorkshire's Winter Wonderland

Wakefield Festival of Food, Drink & Rhubarb  
The best race in the world, the Juddmonte International  
Harrogate Christmas Market  
Theakstons Old Peculier Crime Writing Festival  
York Maze - Hallowscream

**CARAVAN HOLIDAY PARK & HOLIDAY VILLAGE**

Far Grange Park & Golf Club  
Faweather Grange Lodges  
Camp Katur  
Lebberston Touring Park  
Humble Bee Farm  
Robin Hood Caravan Park

**B&B/GUESTHOUSE**

No.21 York  
Low Mill Guesthouse  
Cambridge House Countryside Guesthouse  
Carr House Bed and Breakfast  
No.54  
The Wold Cottage

**LARGE HOTEL**

Holdsworth House Hotel & Restaurant  
Gisborough Hall Hotel  
Rendezvous Hotel @ Skipton  
Wentbridge House Hotel  
Black Swan Helmsley  
Raithwaite Hall

**SMALL HOTEL**

Herriots Hotel, Skipton  
Shibden Mill Inn  
The Mayfield Hotel  
Yorebridge House  
Beverley Tickton Grange  
Feversham Arms Hotel & Verbena Spa

**BUSINESS TOURISM**

The Coniston Hotel Hotel & Country Estate  
York Conferences  
National Railway Museum  
Mercure Hull Grange Park Hotel  
York Racecourse  
Bedern Hall York  
Harrogate International Centre

**RESTAURANT WITH ROOMS**

The Cleveland Tontine  
The Carpenters Arms  
Shibden Mill Inn

The Coach House at Middleton Lodge

**VISITOR INFORMATION**

Halifax Visitor Centre

Thirsk Tourist Information Centre

Humber Bridge Tourist Information Centre

Saltaire Visitor Information Centre

Bridlington Tourist Information Centre

York Visitor Centre

**ARTS & CULTURE**

The Craft Centre & Design Gallery

The Alhambra Theatre

Hull Truck Theatre

Harrogate International Festivals

The Tetley

Sheffield City Hall

**OUTSTANDING CUSTOMER SERVICE**

Winterset Lakes Caravan & Camping Park

Forest Holidays - Keldy

The Coniston Hotel & Country Estate

Wentbridge House Hotel

Donna Pryce - Hilton Hotel York

Swinton Park

- ENDS -

**Images caption:** White Rose Awards 2014

**Editors' Notes:**

- **Welcome to Yorkshire** is the official destination management organisation for Yorkshire, working to grow the county's visitor economy.
- **Welcome to Yorkshire** is a not-for-profit membership organisation, funded in part by grants, sponsorship and Welcome to Yorkshire members. All money raised is reinvested directly back into promoting Yorkshire.
- Key facts include:
  - Tourism in Yorkshire is worth £7 billion annually
  - The county's industry employs almost a quarter of a million people

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