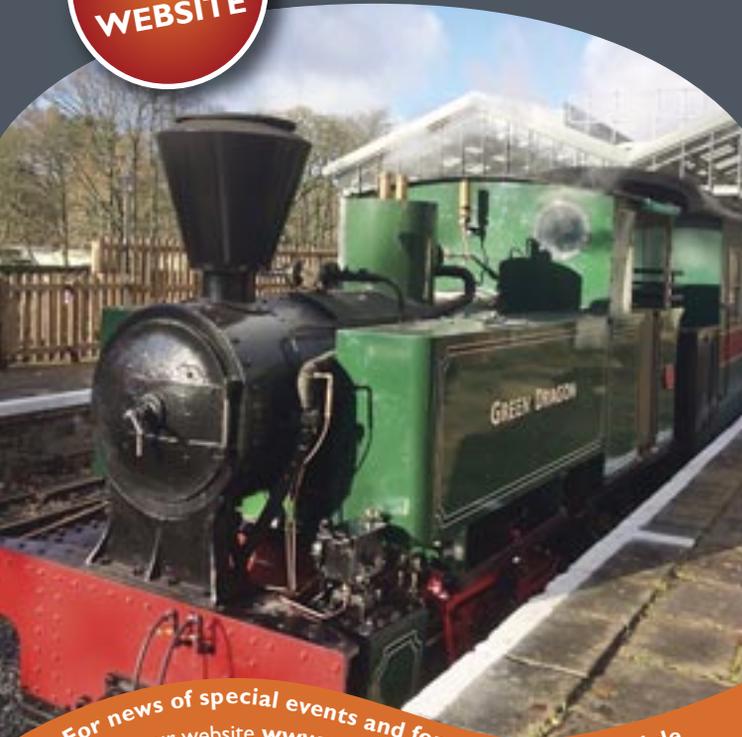


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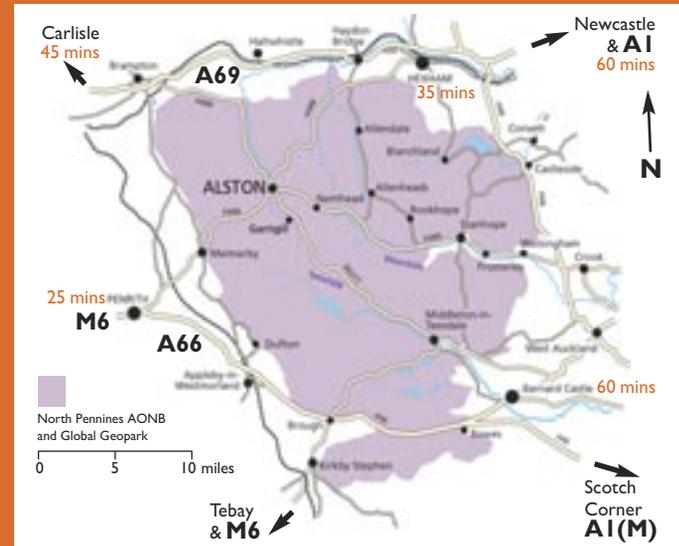
For news of special events and for our current schedule
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email enquiries@south-tynedale-railway.org.uk

2021 INFORMATION & TIMETABLE

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How to find us ...



By Car:

Alston Station is just to the north of the town centre on the A686. Postcode: CA9 3JB.

Slaggyford Station is just off the A689. Postcode CA8 7NH.

Car parks are free but donations are welcome!

Please be aware that a planned diversion may be in operation when you visit. If you are travelling on the A689 from Weardale or the B6277 from Teesdale please follow the marked diversions which will take you to the entrance to our site. A map of the diversions can be found on our website.

By Bus:

Public bus services vary seasonally and include Newcastle, Hexham, Carlisle, Haltwhistle, Keswick and Stanhope. Visit traveline (www.traveline.info) or Go North East (www.simplygo.com) for info.

By Train:

The nearest National Rail stations are Haltwhistle, Langwathby & Penrith.

Accessibility:

Facilities at Alston and Slaggyford stations are accessible. A carriage for wheelchair users operates on every train and carers ride free of charge.

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email: enquiries@south-tynedale-railway.org.uk

Welcome to *the friendly railway*



Climb aboard at Alston station for a leisurely ride through the scenic South Tyne Valley in the North Pennines.

You'll see stunning views of wide open skies and wildlife aplenty in this Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Global Geopark and meet our volunteer train crew who will happily tell you more about the railway and the area.

The South Tyne Trail runs alongside the track and is the perfect place to go for a walk or cycle ride in the fresh air. Bring a picnic or get a take-away from the cafe ; you'll find our picnic sites marked on the map overleaf.

Trains usually run at weekends from Easter to the end of October* and at only 30 minutes away from the Lake District World Heritage Site we aren't as remote as you might think! ** Please check website before you travel as there are roadworks in Alston over the summer.*

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Keeping our passengers safe

- ▶ Whilst social distancing regulations are in place because of the COVID-19 outbreak, we are asking all passengers to book online: www.south-tynedale-railway.org.uk
- ▶ We are sorry that our Rover and station hopper tickets are suspended to enable us to follow government guidelines. All tickets are for a return journey from Alston to Slaggyford.
- ▶ We have installed screens in our carriages to create bays of seats and each booking will be allocated to a bay. Please follow the government guidelines in force at the time of booking.
- ▶ Please select the date and time of your journey carefully as we may not be able to exchange tickets for another date or time.
- ▶ Unless you are eating or drinking, please wear a mask throughout your visit.
- ▶ Please observe the one way systems in place and use the handwash stations at the entrance and exits to the carriages and all station buildings.
- ▶ We have picnic tables available at all four of our stations. If you use them, please clear your things away and either place rubbish in a bin, or take it home with you.



We aim to operate on weekends from the beginning of July until the end of October and on August Bank Holiday Monday. Please check our website for full details of our operational days, special events and Bank Holiday operations before you travel.

2021 Train Times ▶

Trains run weekends and bank holidays only. We operate with a range of steam, diesel and battery electric locomotives and it is not always possible to state which loco will be in service in advance, however we do aim to run steam on every service if we can.

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| ALSTON DEPART | 10:30 | 13:00 | 15:00 |
| KIRKHAUGH | 10:45 | 13:15 | 15:15 |
| LINTLEY | 10:53 | 13:23 | 15:23 |
| SLAGGYFORD ARRIVE | 11:05 | 13:35 | 15:35 |
| SLAGGYFORD DEPART | 11:30 | 14:00 | 16:00 |
| LINTLEY | 11:40 | 14:10 | 16:10 |
| KIRKHAUGH | 11:48 | 14:18 | 16:18 |
| ALSTON ARRIVE | 12:05 | 14:35 | 16:35 |

Please note, as part of our Covid secure measures, trains will not be stopping at Kirkhaugh or Lintley this season. You will be unable to board the train at Slaggyford without a valid ticket.

Fares ▶

Visit

www.south-tynedale-railway.org.uk

for details of our latest fares and offers.

Tickets are pre book only through the website.

Children aged 3 and under travel free but may need to sit on an adult's knee.

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SLAGGYFORD



LINTLEY MALT



KIRKHAUGH



ALSTON



Sustainability is very important to us; as well as using solar P.V.s to charge “Newcastle” and “Carlisle”, our electrically powered locos, we heat our sites using biomass at Alston and air source heat pumps at Slaggyford.

One of our steam locos, “Green Dragon”, is able to burn wood waste briquettes and we recycle or re-use wherever we possibly can. Look out for our re-purposed oil drums as you explore our site!

KEY:

- Railway Station 
- Railway Line 
- Public Right of Way 
- Permissive Footpath 
- National Cyclepath 
- Car Park 
- Picnic Area 

Lots to see and do!

At Alston you'll learn more about the history of the railway and the vintage locos which haul our trains when you visit the Engineering Workshop Gallery. There's an accessible lift up to the mezzanine and great view down to the workshop where you can see what our volunteers are working on. They are always happy to chat and answer questions, so do give them a wave to let them know you are there!



The licensed cafe "Station Cafe@Alston" is open 7 days a week in the main season and serves a seasonal menu of meals and snacks. Please check out the cafe Facebook page, [stationcafe@alston](https://www.facebook.com/stationcafe@alston) for full details of their opening hours.



Did you know that ...

South Tynedale Railway

- is the highest narrow gauge railway in England?
- is in the North Pennines Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and Global Geopark and is easily reached via scenic routes from Newcastle, Durham, Carlisle and Hexham?
- is run by a team of fabulous volunteers who are working to maintain the line, improve the South Tyne Trail, support the local wildlife, celebrate our dark skies and improve our offer for visitors?
- welcomes new members and volunteers aged 16 and over?



Would you like to join us and help us achieve our aims?

We have an enthusiastic and friendly group of volunteers who help across our site; from gardening to events to train crew, to track maintenance, you'll find a willing volunteer or two behind it..

Contact:

volunteering@south-tyndale-railway.org.uk
and we'll show you around and tell you more.