



4 RIVERS RUN

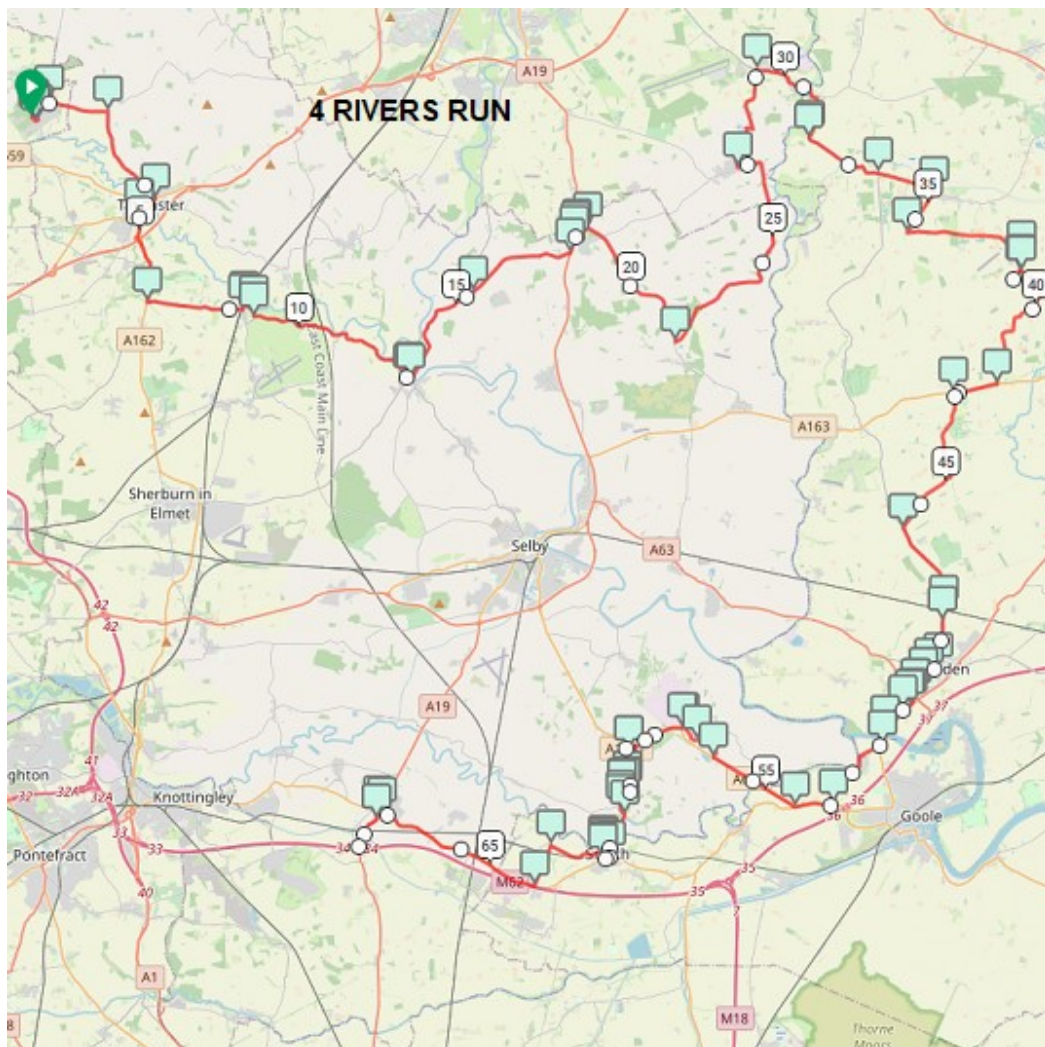
(Oh, and 3 Picturesque Power Stations)

(2hrs approx. without stops)

*A run of about 60 miles, crossing four of Yorkshire's rivers
the Wharfe, Derwent, Ouse and Aire.*

It may be helpful to zero your odometer at the start of the run, although the split mileages will give you an idea of how long before the next turning. Please give consideration to walkers, cyclists and ducks, (not necessarily in that order)! Villages through which the route passes are named, so if in doubt just press on to the next named village. *Have a great day!*

Please do not form convoys, leave gaps in order that faster vehicles may pass.



Total Miles	SHEET ONE OF FOUR		Split Miles
Start point The Café & Bistro, Thorp Arch Retail Park, Wetherby LS23 7FE (w3w went.pelt.licks)			
0.0	Leave café car park		0.0
0.0	T Junction - Turn Teft no SP		0.0
0.05	T Junction - Turn Left no SP		0.05
0.2	Turn right into Avenue C, SP Units 204 to 499 and Queen Mary House		0.15
0.4	Crossroads - Straight On SP Units 310 to 380. Moores Furniture Group is on your right.		0.2
0.6	Roundabout - Take 2nd Exit no SP		0.2
1.8	T Junction - Turn Right SP Tadcaster		1.2
3.5	Enter Tadcaster		1.7
4.0	Traffic Lights - Turn Right no SP		0.5
4.1	Traffic Lights - Straight On		0.1
4.2	Cross RIVER WHARFE - 60 miles in length The source of the river is at Camm Fell in the Yorkshire Dales National Park. It flows through Kettlewell, Grassington, Bolton Abbey, Addingham, Ilkley, Burley in Wharfedale, Otley, Wetherby and Tadcaster, then flows into the River Ouse near Cawood. The Wharfe has a reputation for being very dangerous, in that many people have drowned while swimming in it. Slightly north of Bolton Abbey is The Strid , a point at which the whole river is channelled through a narrow gorge. At its narrowest, it is less than two metres across. The gap looks eminently jumpable, but this is deceptive because many of the ledges are at different heights and are often very slippery.		0.1
4.4	Traffic lights - Turn Left onto A162 SP York (A64), Towton		0.2
6.3	Turn Left - onto B1223 SP Selby, Cawood, Church Fenton		1.9
8.1	Enter Ulleskelf		1.8
8.6	Turn Left - SP Selby, Ryther, Cawood, B1223		0.5
9.6	Enter Ozendyke		1.0
10.6	Enter Ryther River Wharfe on left		1.0
12.4	Enter Cawood		1.8
12.7	Traffic Lights – Turn Left SP York, Naburn, B1222		0.3
Total Miles	SHEET TWO OF FOUR		Split Miles
12.8	Cross RIVER OUSE - 52 miles in length CARE Narrow Bridge The river is formed from the River Ure at Cuddy Shaw Reach near Linton-on-Ouse. It flows through the city of York and the towns of Selby and Goole before joining with the River Trent at Trent Falls, near the village of Faxfleet, to form the Humber Estuary.		0.1
13.5	Turn Right SP Kelfield, Ricall		0.7
14.1	Enter Kelfield		0.6
14.5	Follow main road round to left SP Stillingfleet		0.4
16.4	T Junction - Turn Right no SP		1.9
18.6	T Junction – Turn Left SP York, A19		2.2
18.9	Enter Escrick		0.3
19.3	Turn Right SP Skipwith, Wheldrake (opposite church)		0.4

Total Miles	SHEET TWO OF FOUR	Split Miles
22.7	Turn Left SP Thorganby, Wheldrake, Elvington into Bonby Lane	3.4
24.9	Enter Thorganby	2.2
27.6	Enter Wheldrake	2.7
28.0	Turn Right SP Elvington, Kexby	0.4
28.1	CARE Speed Bumps 20mph zone	0.1
30.4	T Junction – Turn Right SP Elvington, Howden, B1228	2.3
30.9	CARE – Speed Bumps 20mph zone	0.5
31.5	Traffic Lights across river Cross RIVER DERWENT - 46 miles in length The river begins high up on Fylingdales Moor in the North York Moors National Park and makes its way south passing through the Forge valley, then westwards through the Vale of Pickering, south through Kirkham Gorge and the Vale of York and joins the River Ouse at Barmby on the Marsh.	0.6
31.6	Enter East Riding of Yorkshire	0.1
31.7	Enter Sutton upon Derwent	0.1
32.0	20mph zone	0.3
33.7	Cross POCKLINGTON CANAL The canal runs for 9.5 miles from Canal Head near Pocklington to the River Derwent at East Cottingwith. It was built between 1815 and 1818 at a cost of £32,695. Trade on the canal continued until 1932, then like many of our canals it became derelict. In 1969 the Pocklington Canal Amenity Society was formed and the ongoing restoration work began in 1971.	1.7
35.4	Enter Melbourne	1.7
36.8	Turn Right SP Everingham, Seaton Ross (opposite SUMO UK)	1.4
38.2	T Junction – Turn Right SP Seaton Ross, Howden	1.4
38.7	Enter Seaton Ross	0.5
40.0	CARE Single Track Road – with passing places	1.3
41.9	T Junction – Turn Right SP Selby, Bubwith	1.9
42.6	Enter Foggathorpe	0.7
42.8	Turn Left SP Willitoft Black Swan pub on corner	0.2
45.1	Crossroads – Straight On SP Howden	2.3
Total Miles	SHEET THREE OF FOUR	Split Miles
46.1	Crossroads – Turn Left no SP	1.0
48.1	CARE Level Crossing	2.0
49.0	Enter Howden The Prince-Bishops of Durham ruled Howdenshire from the Norman Conquest to the Reformation. They raised a palace in Howden fit to receive cardinals and kings. In the 13th century they replaced Howden's already ancient parish church with a new gothic minster church to reflect their power and status. Masons were brought north from Notre Dame de Paris via Westminster Abbey to create the iconic building we see today.	0.9
49.3	T Junction – T Right SP Selby, A63	0.3
49.8	T Junction (Crossroads) – Turn Right SP Barmby on the Marsh, Goole, B1228	0.5
50.4	Crossroads – Turn Left SP Goole, M62	0.6

Total Miles	SHEET THREE OF FOUR	Split Miles
51.3	Roundabout – Take 2nd Exit SP Airmyn, Rawcliffe, Goole	0.9
51.4	Cross RIVER OUSE at Boothferry Bridge ◀Anorak Alert▶ Built between 1926 and 1929 the bridge replaced a ferry service. This swing bridge opens to allow shipping through on its way to Selby amongst other places. Until the building of the M62 and the Ouse bridge, it was the only point at which to cross the river without a round trip to Selby. A song called " <i>Boothferry Bridge</i> " by "The Lonesome Travellers" was released in the early 1970s.	0.1
51.7	Roundabout – Take 3rd Exit SP Airmyn	0.3
51.9	Enter Airmyn (meaning 'Mouth of the River Aire')	0.2
52.2	Airmyn Clock Tower ◀Anorak Alert▶ A bridge was considered from Little Airmyn (across the river) to Airmyn, but the cost was prohibitive. Instead this rather impressive clock was built (obviously a very useful alternative) at a cost of £700, (a bridge would have cost £7000). It was completed in 1868 to celebrate the 2 nd Earl of Beverley who paid for the village school, but he died in 1867 so he never saw it.	0.3
52.5	River Aire on the right	0.3
53.5	T junction – Turn Right SP Selby, Rawcliffe, A645	1.0
54.3	Roundabout – Take 2nd Exit SP Drax, Selby, A645	0.8
54.5	Splendid views of P.P.S. (Picturesque Power Station) Drax ◀Anorak Alert▶ Opened in 1974 and extended in the mid-1980s Drax is the largest and the cleanest coal-fired power station in the UK, with a generating capacity of 3,960 megawatts, which is the highest of any power station in the United Kingdom and Western Europe.	0.2
55.4	Cross RIVER AIRE - 71 miles in length. The source of the river is near Malham, travelling south to Skipton, Bingley and Shipley. The Aire then passes Kirkstall Abbey to Leeds. From here it runs east to Temple Newsam where it joins the Calder near Castleford and passes through Knottingley, Snaith and Rawcliffe until it joins the Ouse near Airmyn. Twenty years ago, the river was considered largely dead as no fish could survive in areas polluted by raw sewage outflows. Yorkshire Water was harried by protesters to the point that it cleaned up its act, and in 2006, they were proud of the fact that porpoises had been seen in the tidal areas of the river. This suggested fish stocks had once again increased to healthy levels in order to attract the porpoises.	0.9
55.5	Enter North Yorkshire	0.1
57.2	Roundabout – Take 1st Exit SP Selby, Snaith	1.7
Total Miles	SHEET FOUR OF FOUR	Split Miles
58.4	Roundabout - Take 1st Exit SP Carlton, Snaith	1.2
58.8	Enter Carlton	0.4
60.2	Cross RIVER AIRE again.....	1.4
60.3	Enter East Riding of Yorkshire and Snaith	0.1
60.5	CARE Level Crossing	0.2
60.6	Mini Roundabout - Turn Right SP Ferrybridge, Knottingley	0.1
60.8	Turn Right into Car Park of the Brewers Arms Hotel The landlord has requested that we park the cars in front of the pub as he would like to	0.2

	take a photograph. Michele will arrive first to direct operations to this end.....	
	The menu is fairly comprehensive and there are daily specials on the blackboard.	

HOMEWARD BOUND

Total Miles	DIRECTIONS to J 34 of M62	Split Miles.
0	Turn Right out of pub car park	0
3.6	Enter Hensall	3.6
3.9	Traffic Lights – Straight On	0.3
4.1	CARE Level Crossing	0.2
4.7	Stunning views of another P.P.S. – Eggborough ◀Anorak Alert▶ A large coal-fired power station with a generating capacity of 1,960 megawatts, enough electricity to power 2 million homes. Opened in 1966 to utilise local reserves.	0.6
5.1	Roundabout – Take 1st Exit SP M62, Leeds, Hull, Doncaster	0.4
5.8	Cross AIRE & CALDER NAVIGATION ◀Anorak Alert▶ Do you know the difference between a ‘canal’ and a ‘navigation’? A canal is a wholly manmade construction. A navigation is built when a river becomes too shallow or winding for boats to navigate it.	0.7
6.0	Roundabout - M62 Junction 34 Views of the final P.P.S. – Ferrybridge ◀Anorak Alert▶ Actually a series of three coal fired power stations built starting in the 1920s and superceding each other. Built in the 1960s Ferrybridge C is the current one and has a generating capacity of 2000 megawatts. On 1 November 1965, three of the cooling towers collapsed due to vibrations in 85mph winds. The towers were rebuilt and all eight towers were strengthened to tolerate adverse weather conditions and began feeding electricity into the National Grid on 27 February 1966.	0.2
	Have a safe journey home.	