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# Hamsterley Bedburn Valley trail

**Grade:** moderate  
**Length:** 2.5 miles  
**Start/Finish:** Visitor centre  
**Grid ref:** NZ 091312  
**Waymarkers:** yellow

## Route highlights

Lovely gold and bronze colours

Babbling brook

Stunning birch and oak trees



From the visitor centre go straight ahead and over the bridge, heading out towards Low Redford. As you continue up the valley into this beautiful woodland, you will be met by the fiery orange and yellow hues of the stunning beech trees.



Head down the grove road and back into the woods. The path will bend round to the right along Bedburn beck. Take a moment to enjoy the sounds and sights of the forest around you.



Continue along the path, listening to the crunch of leaves beneath your feet as you walk. Next, you'll reach a pretty set of stone steps and a bridge over the brook. Take a moment to stand on the bridge and enjoy the tranquillity of the forest, listening to the relaxing babble of water.

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When you're ready to continue, cross the road and carry on along the path. You'll reach the magnificent Green Man sculpture. Here you'll find a bench, the perfect spot to stop and admire what's in front of you.

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Next head up the valley side where you will be surrounded by a stunning array of orange, bronze and gold leaves from the birch and oak trees lining the path. Why not take a moment to admire the array of colour and marvel at the beauty of the trees?

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Follow the path back along the valley side with the river to your right. Down another set of stone steps next to the visitor centre. Head back to the car park and finish your walk.

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