

Welcome to Dale Farm Rural Campsite

Thank you for booking, we are very much looking forward to welcoming you to Dale Farm and the local area. Please read the following guide as it has important information regarding your pitch allocation, our site rules and other useful information.

Directions/Accessing the site

Approaching from Manchester

You will most likely come via Monsal Head, through Little Longstone after which you will need to look for "Moor Road" on the left as the road bends round to the right.

Approaching from Bakewell

You will drive through Great Longstone village, past the White Lion and the Crispin on the left after which you will need to look for "Moor Road" on the right as the road bends to the left.

300meters or so up Moor Road on the left-hand side you will see a lane marked Dale Farm.¹

50meters or so further down on the right are two entrances before the road ends, the first being the campsite² and the second is for the farm and farm shop only.

Notes to larger vehicles:

¹The turn can be slightly tight so we advise to stay over to the right before turning in. ²This turn can be a bit tight, so we advise you keep over to the left prior to turning in and then turning in later usually helps.

Parking

We are only a small camp site and have very limited space for parking. Our reserved spaces at the top of the site have an additional charge for parking there.

Parking is NOT permitted along the lane next to the camp site as space is crucial to allow for passing places. The only spaces here are reserved for our neighbours' cars. Signs are located on the wall to indicate their spaces.

Please remember this is a farm lane and access for wide agricultural vehicles is required. There is a risk of wide vehicles catching your car if you block access so please use common sense and DO NOT park along the lane as you will be asked to move.

Additional friends and family cars are NOT permitted on site unless they are staying with us and the car has been booked in. There is plenty of free parking in Great Longstone village which is only a few minutes' walk down the hill.

Parking on your pitch

Please park your car on your pitch in a sensible way so not to inhibit other campers. Larger vehicles need a bit of swing room so please consider this and do not park right on the very edge of your pitch.

Although our larger pitches may be able to accommodate an additional car or two, we think the camp site should be as spacious and car free as possible in order for everyone to enjoy the rural setting. We'd prefer the pitches don't become a car park which is why there are charges for additional vehicles.

Visitors/Guests

Unfortunately, we are unable to allow visitors/guests on site. There are some lovely pubs and a park in the village where it is possible to meet your friends and family. Our site is exclusively for paying guests only.

Locating your pitch

When you arrive, pull up in front of our facilities building on left a short distance into the site. Here you will be greeted by one of our team who will provide you with some information and help you located your pitch. You will either have a specific pitch allocated by number or a range of pitches to choose from. e.g. 4-11 means you can choose any free pitch between number 4 and 11.

As a small campsite on a family run farm we try to greet everyone upon arrival, although there is often someone around, when we're not available we'll leave instructions on the information black board.

Pitches are allocated based on the pitch type you booked, check your booking confirmation email to confirm this. It's best to see a member of the team or our arrival information board before pitching up, this is important because if you pitch up in the wrong area, we may have to ask you to move so please do not just set up anywhere.

If you have a campervan or motorhome and go out for the day without leaving anything on the pitch to hint it is being used, there is the possibility that someone may set up on this pitch. This is not a problem though as you will simply need to select another pitch of the same type on your return, if unsure please ask. If this is a problem for you it is advised that you bring a reserved sign to leave on your pitch.

Pitch type	Pitch #	Area
Touring hardstanding pitch	1-3	Touring pitches
Touring XL grass pitch	4-11	
Hillside grass pitch	12-24	Hillside pitches
Hilltop medium grass pitch	26 & 27	Hilltop pitches
Hilltop twin grass pitch	28a+b & 29a+b	
Hilltop XL hardstand+grass pitch	31-37	Top Field Hilltop pitches
Hilltop top row grass pitch	42a & 42b	

All the pitches are accessed by entering the campsite. Each pitch is marked by a pitch board with its number and pitch type eg. Touring, Hillside, Hilltop etc.

Touring pitches

These are the first pitches you come to as you enter the site, Hardstandings are 1-3 on the left and the XL pitches 4-11 on the right.

Hillside pitches

From the campsite entrance follow the track uphill about 30meters. As you start to climb the hill after the facilities building you will find the Hillside electric pitches 18-26 on the left and Hillside electric pitches 12-17 on the right.

Hilltop medium pitches

From the campsite entrance follow the track up the hill heading for the top. You will pass the hillside pitches and the final two terraces on the left hand side before the parking area are the hilltop medium pitches numbered 26 and 27.

Hilltop twin shared terrace

The final two terraces on the right at the top of the hillside are shared terraces with 2x pitches per terrace for friends and family to share. We only have two of these so please only use these if they are reserved for you.

Hilltop XL hardstand + grass pitches

From the campsite entrance follow the track up the hill heading for the top. You will pass the hillside pitches before entering the Top field. Hilltop XL pitches 31-33 are on the left and 34-37 are on the right.

Hilltop top row grass pitches

These are two grass pitches located between our bell tents situated at the very top of the campsite. Drive up the track until you reach the top. The top row pitches are numbered 42a and 42b.

Our site rules – PLEASE READ

Please note the following rules which we ask people to follow to maintain a pleasant and enjoyable stay for everyone. If you suspect any of these rules are being broken, please notify a member of our team.

We will not hesitate to terminate the stay of anyone who fails to respect our code of conduct.

Fires and BBQs

- Fires/BBQs are permitted provided they are raised off the ground by legs at least 40cm long, this is roughly knee high. Blocks are provided to raise shorter fire pits.
- Please dispose of cool ash in the designated bin, not in the grass or bushes.
- Please do not burn items from around the farm.

Taking/borrowing things

- Do not take anything from around the site without prior consent. This includes logs/wood, benches, chairs, or any items not belonging to you.
- Do not take stones from the boundary walls for any reason!
- Do not take items from the Glamping field or around the bell tents, including fire pits and chairs. There is an additional charge for using these items which is not included with all pitch types.

Safety around the farm

- As this is a working farm, we are conscious of your safety. We ask that you do not enter the farmyard area unless accompanied by a member of the Dale Farm team.
- Please do not let children go and play or explore areas of the farm unattended.
- Games / play should be limited to the area on your pitch. We would appreciate it if you could refrain from playing ball games on site due to the size and layout of our pitches.

Noise/antisocial behaviour

- Keep noise to a minimum.
- Whilst we want everyone to have an enjoyable and fun time, we are generally a quiet site, so rowdy behaviour, shouting, swearing and antisocial noise will not be tolerated.
- No amplified music is permitted. Acoustic music is allowed, at a low level before 10pm only.

Dogs

- Dogs must be always kept on a short lead on the site as we are a working farm and there are animals around, no exceptions. Repeat offenders may be asked to leave.
- Please clean up after your dog. Our site is monitored by CCTV and dog mess left anywhere will not be tolerated. Please do not use the camping pitches for dog walking/fouling.
- Please make use of the bridleway and footpaths to walk your dog, these can be found by leaving the campsite entrance and turning right.

Private areas

- Do not enter any of the private farmyards, buildings, hay barn or sheds unless accompanied by a staff member. If you are unsure if it's private, please ask. Access into the farm/house entrance is for the Farm Shop only and limited to designated times.
- Do not trespass into the neighbouring fields at any time.
- Please keep to the footpaths when crossing farmland and ensure dogs are on short leads even if livestock is not currently visible.

Horses and other animals

- Please do not feed or pet any of the horses or animals around the farm.

Rubbish and recycling

- Please leave your pitch tidy and place rubbish in the designated rubbish and recycling bins.
- Please take any large items you no longer require home with you, for example air beds, camping chairs, water carriers, tents etc. We are not a tip and do not have the facility to dispose of large items. The site is monitored by CCTV and we reserve the right to charge for disposing of these items.

Camp site facilities: showers, loos, water, washing up, waste disposal etc

These are in the Sheep Dip building and paved area to the front of it.

Please enjoy these facilities and use them respectfully, leaving them clean and tidy for other guests.

In and around the Sheep Dip building please do not smoke, drink alcohol, or bring your dog (dog waiting area is provided). Please ensure children aged under 10 are supervised by an adult in these facilities at all times.

Bikes, scooters and ball games are also not permitted on the paved area or in the building.

Farm shop

Our farm shop sells our own farm produced meat, please see a member of the team to purchase these. We also sell firewood, fire lighting supplies, and tray bakes (cakes) for those who fancy a sweet treat. The shop is generally open from 7am until 6pm in the evening. Outside of these times the shop will be closed. Please ask if you need assistance.

Fire pits and BBQ Grills

If you haven't booked these prior to your stay, there are a small number available to rent on a first come first served basis. Please see one of the team.

Pubs

We are a 5min walk from 2 excellent village pubs serving food.

The White Lion has a great reputation for dining.

The Crispin serves no nonsense pub grub and a huge selection of beers.

15min walk across lovely fields to The Pack Horse Inn which has open fires, a great atmosphere and lovely food with our local Thornbridge beers). Be sure to book ahead to avoid disappointment as the pub is small and very popular.

10mins further on from The Pack Horse is The Monsal Head which has a restaurant and pub. There is the famous viewpoint here too. Not to be missed on a visit to the area.

All our local pubs are dog friendly and have beer gardens.

Things to see and do

We are in a great location for walking or cycling on the Monsal trail, or for trips to Bakewell, Buxton, Chatsworth etc. We're always happy to give local knowledge and advice based on what you want to see and do.

Walks & Runs

There are many walks and runs to do starting from the farm. We will be adding some of our favourites to the website <http://dale.farm/walksandruns>

Mountain biking

There are also many mountain bike routes we regularly do starting from the farm. We will be adding some of our favourites to the website <http://dale.farm/mtb>

Sights and attractions

We have many sights and attractions within 30mins drive from the farm. Here is a small list for you to research further.

Chatsworth estate includes the grand house and gardens, rolling hills and woodland plus a river where you can take a dip.

The Monsal Trail is less than a mile from the farm and is best accessed from the old Longstone Station or Hassop Station (by car) for the best disabled access. Cycle hire is also available from Hassop Station.

Local towns include Bakewell, Buxton, Hope, Castleton, Matlock.

Bakewell is great for shopping and its historic buildings. Monday is market day so busy but fun.

Buxton is also lovely to look around and features an opera house with various events.

Castleton features Pevril Castle and is a great starting point to walk up Mam tor, Winnats Pass or Cavedale.

Matlock is great for shopping, particularly antiques shops. It also features a cable car to The Heights of Abraham and its caves.

Villages worth visiting are Edale, Eyam, Monyash, Baslow to name a few.

Edale is the main starting point to walk up Kinder Scout.

Eyam is the "Plague village"

Some great viewpoints include Kinder Scout, Mam Tor, Ladybower, Stanage Edge, Winnats Pass, The Heights of Abraham.

Lady bower features some lovely family friendly walking and cycling. The reservoir was created by flooding several villages, when the water is low many features can still be visible to this day.

Stanage edge is popular with climbers wishing to test their bouldering skills but also great for family walks too.

If you like to go underground, we have various caves and caverns in Castleton and if not the drive up/down Winnats pass is worth the trip over there alone.

