



### **Insider's Guide for Holiday makers**

Dalegarth Campsite is situated in the stunning Eskdale valley, West Cumbria, alongside the crystal-clear waters of the River Esk and lies in ancient meadow fields surrounded by mature trees with magnificent views. The land where the campsite is situated, is the ancestral home of the Stanley family, a family run Herdwick sheep farm and we are grateful to Philip and Lottie Stanley for their support in our venture.

Dalegarth Campsite is a family business run by us, Kate and Jonny, and we welcome you and your family to probably one of the best situated campsites in the area - a real hidden gem. Last year was our first year in business as a pop-up site and the reviews and bookings we had speak for themselves!

We have put together this very special insiders holiday guide, based on local knowledge and recommendations to our beautiful area for you to explore during your stay. We want your stay with us to be as special as possible

**We look forward to welcoming you to Dalegarth Campsite..... AND DON'T FORGET YOUR WELLIES!**

**Please note all of the following recommendations are subject to the current COVID-19 opening Guidelines at the time.**

**Best local pubs/restaurants (after our delicious on-site catering!)**

- Graham's on-site catering providing mouth-watering bacon butties, and a delicious range of homemade pizzas. Cash preferred.
- **The Boot Inn, Boot**  
- dog friendly, within walking distance and a lovely beer garden.  
Tel:- 01946 723711 Free WiFi.
- **The Brook House, Boot**  
- dog friendly and within walking distance.  
Tel:- 019467 23288. Free WiFi.
- **The King George IV, Eskdale**  
- dog friendly.  
Tel:- 019467 23470.
- **The Bower House, Eskdale**  
- dog friendly and an enormous beer garden.  
Tel:- 01946 723244.
- **The Wild Olive, Gosforth**  
- Superb Italian.  
Tel:- 019467 25999
- **The Ratty Arms, Ravenglass**  
- dog friendly.  
Tel:- 01229 717676

**PLEASE ASK IF YOU NEED US TO BOOK YOU A TABLE.**

**Local Taxi Firms**

- Eskdale Taxis - Tel:- 019467 23227
- Gosforth Taxis - Tel:- 019467 25308

### **Best local attractions**

- The River Esk (direct access from the campsite) with some of the best wild swimming pools in the area.
- The Ravenglass and Eskdale Railway or "Laal Ratty" as we call it, miniature railway from Boot to Ravenglass - a must for your visit to Eskdale, walking distance from the campsite. Cafe top and bottom. Dog friendly.
- Muncaster Castle, Nr Ravenglass - amazing castle/home to the Frost-Pennington family, steeped in history, guided tours, beautiful gardens, cafe, play park and falconry display. Special events held throughout the year. Dog friendly.
- Wastwater Lake - voted the best view in UK, sitting underneath Scafell, Scafell Pike and Great Gable. Pub at the head of the Lake.
- Stanley Ghyll Falls, Eskdale (subject to opening) a 20-minute walk away)

### **Best tea rooms**

- **Woodlands Tea Rooms**, Santon Bridge  
delicious homemade bread and scones made daily. Lovely gift shop too. Outside seating.
- **The Sawmill**, Netherwasdale  
impressive conversion providing riverside dining. Outside seating.
- **Yam Frae Yam** (Home from Home) Gosforth Village  
lovely small tearoom. No outside seating.

### **Best children's outdoor play parks**

- **Seascale**  
overlooking the beach. One of the best locally. Cafe and homemade ice-creams.
- **St Bees**  
overlooking the beach. Cafe and ice-creams.

### **Best local beaches**

- **Drigg Beach**, Holmrook  
stunning isolated beach - a favourite with the locals. You might be the only person there!
- **Seascale Beach**, Seascale  
Playpark, cafe/Ice-cream parlour.
- **St Bees Beach**, St Bees  
Playpark, cafe/Ice-cream parlour.

### **Nearest shops**

- **Boot Stores**, Boot - small village store.
- **Eskdale Stores**, Eskdale - small village store.
- **Simply Fresh**, Gosforth - larger village store selling most provisions.
- **Coop and Village Stores** in Seascale.
- **Wasdale Shop**, Wasdale - camping and walking equipment.

### **Best sunsets**

- Seascale Beach.
- Drigg Beach, Holmrook.
- Ravenglass Estuary, Ravenglass.

### **Best market town**

- **Cockermouth**, lovely market town with lots of shops and cafes.

### Best things to keep teenagers happy

- **West Lakes Adventure**  
- Watersports at Wasdale, Mountain Bike trips.  
Tel: - 019467 23753
- **Bradleys Horse Trekking Centre**  
Cold Fell, Nr Calderbridge.  
Tel: - 01946 861354
- **Go Ape, Keswick**  
- Great family Day out.  
Tel:- 01603 895500
- **The Woolley Farm**  
Llama trekking, Santon Bridge.  
Tel:- 07900823379

### Best local walks

- Abundance of walks all from the campsite ranging from 20 minutes to Scafell itself.
- Boot to Blea Tarn - medium walk with stunning views.
- River Esk - lots of easy riverside walks
- Irton Pike, Santon Bridge - easy with stunning views.
- Scafell, Scafell Pike and Great Gable - famous hard walks - be fully prepared for these walks!

### Local museums for wet days

- **The Beacon Museum**, Whitehaven - fascinating museum about the history of the area, situated on the attractive harbour front of Whitehaven.
- **The Rum Story**, Lowther Street, Whitehaven - small local museum.
- **Ravenglass Railway museum** - history of the miniature railway.

**Emergency contacts etc**

- **Seascale Surgery, Seascale**  
Tel:- 01946 728101
- **Seascale Pharmacy, Seascale**  
Tel :- 01946 728323
- **West Lakeland Vets**  
Tel:- 01946 820312
- **West Cumberland Hospital, Whitehaven**  
A & E.

**Nearest cashpoints**

- Gosforth (Simply Fresh)
- Seascale (Co-op) villages.

Don't forget to print off this handy guide, if you think it will be helpful. Please don't hesitate to ask us if you have any queries or need directions to any of the above. We hope you have a fabulous holiday!

Please remember, we are situated in a very rural part of the Lake District and 4g is limited. However, free WiFi is available at the local pubs and at the Ratty Cafe, Boot.

**Kate and Jonny**

**Dalegarth Campsite**

**Dalegarth Cottages**

**Eskdale**

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**REMEMBER - ONLY APPROACH US VIA THE  
A595 MAIN COASTAL ROAD OR  
ULPHA/BIRKER AND NOT VIA HARDKNOTT  
PASS!!**

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