A brief history of The Buxton Line

Starting life as the Stockport, Disley and Whaley Bridge Railway on 28 May 1857, the intention to extend the tracks to Buxton was made clear in an Act of Parliament later the same year. The trains began to carry passengers to Buxton in June 1863 and happily continued until the famous Beeching Axe threatened closure in the 1960s.
The Buxton Line was saved on appeal, largely because of the significant amount of stone transported by trains from the local quarries. Nowadays, the future is more secure as passenger numbers and quarry traffic have increased year-on-year.

Credit Visit Peak District & Derbyshire

Stroll up to Solomon's Temple in Grinlow Country Park for fine views over Buxton.

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Further Information

Train Times
The Buxton Line timetables are available at Stockport and Manchester Piccadilly stations and also from:
www.northernrailway.co.uk/timetables
National Rail Enquiries: nationalrail.co.uk
Telephone: 03457 48 49 50

Train Tickets
To buy tickets online visit northernrailway.co.uk or any staffed station. The Greater Manchester Wayfarer Ticket covers bus, tram and train travel for one day from/to Buxton from anywhere in Greater Manchester Buxton 09:30 Monday - Friday, and at any time on weekends and bank holidays.
For details https://tfgm.com/tickets-and-passes/wayfarer.
Or for bus and train travel throughout Derbyshire use a Derbyshire Wayfarer ticket.
For details www.derbyshire.gov.uk/transport

Planning a journey:
National Rail Enquiries
Full details of all train times, fares and rail travel information anywhere on the national rail network call:
03457 48 49 50
or visit: www.nationalrail.co.uk

For all the ***latest news*** about events, festivals, activities and "happenings" in Buxton, consult explorebuxton.co.uk and visitbuxton.co.uk

Walks between stations
Public footpaths link most of the stations on the Buxton Line. Some of the routes are suitable for wheelchair users and those with mobility issues, particularly those running along canal tow-paths. Descriptions can be found at: www.peakdistrictbytrain.org

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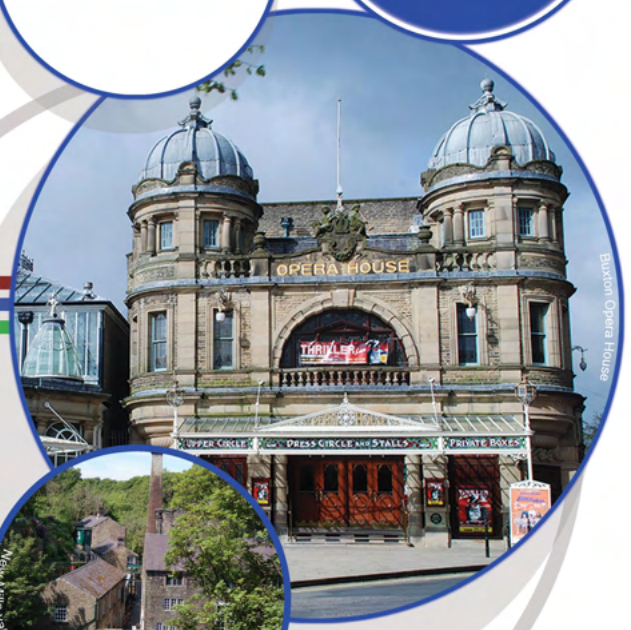
EXPLORE The Buxton Line by train



Buxton Opera House

New Mills valley

A rich and vibrant range of music, stunning buildings, theatre and festivals make Buxton a must-visit tourist destination. Unique, independent shops, cafes, bars and restaurants await. For the active, there's Go Ape's high wire adventure, Buxton Raceway and two golf courses. Something for everyone!

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The Buxton Line

Your scenic route from city centre to countryside and places full of charm.

Manchester / Stockport

Disley

The Gritstone Trail and path to Lyme Park next to Disley Station are both sign posted. Local attractions are on new display maps at the station and there are plenty of places to eat.

Middlewood

Your gateway for cycling and walking to the Middlewood Way, the Macclesfield Canal and Lyme Park. Take a trip to the Anson Engine Museum.

New Mills Newtown

Walk on water over the spectacular Millennium Walkway above the River Goyt or enjoy a pleasant walk on the Sett Valley Trail. Visit the Heritage Centre, Arts Theatre and cafés/restaurants in the town centre.

Whaley Bridge

Take in the community hub and craft centre, based in the Grade 2* Transhipment Warehouse at the foot of the canal or wander up the towpath to Bugsworth. Browse our quirky High Street, grab yourself a brew, real ale or a bite to eat before a stroll up to the Toddbrook dam and reservoir in our beautiful Memorial Park. Explore our stunning countryside.

For more information

Furness Vale

Join the Midshires way on the nearby canal, enjoy local walks with great views of the surrounding countryside.

Chapel-en-le-Frith

Climb Combs Moss or Eccles Pike, enjoy the views, and visit the Historic Town Centre for shops, food and drink.

Dove Holes

Walk the six mile packhorse route along the beautiful Combs Valley to Whaley Bridge.

Buxton

Celebrated thermal water resort town with five star luxury spa hotel, many historic buildings, famous Opera House, frequent festivals and England's finest walk-in show-cave, Poole's Cavern. There's also world class real ale to enjoy too!

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