

A Coastal Road Trip in your Motorhome

Cumbria is a fantastic place to visit in your motorhome, with excellent sites to pitch up in; roads which offer stunning views; and plenty to see and do along the way. Explore the captivating Cumbrian Coastal Route (or 'CCR 200'), all split into smaller sections - each doable in a day, but best experienced over a longer period of time to really make the most of your trip.



Highlights

- Heritage attractions
- Stunning coastal views
- Roman history





SCOTLAND MAP & KEY Longtown Gretna Bowness-Brampton 40 Km on-Solway 30 Miles A Road CARLISLE **B** Road Silloth Minor Road Motorway Wigton Rail line Allonby 11 Aspatria Cumberland Maryport 10 boundary Cockermouth Points of interest Workington Please note, this map is for Open all year Illustrative purposes only. Not all **Keswick** routes are suitable for all vehicles. On public transport route Whitehaven 48 P **Parking** Cleator Moor P Accessible Parking/ St Bees 7 Egremont Good Drop off point Ġ Wheelchair access **IRISH SEA** to know Accessible toilets Seascale Hearing loop Shop local: You'll find plenty of Ravenglass • 3 4 Refreshments available fantastic local businesses en-EV Charger route, from eateries to shops. Wifi Plan your route: Never park Dog Friendly in passing places and avoid Silecroft narrow country roads where **ACCOMMODATION ONLY:** Millom possible. Star Rating Stay a while: Make the most of Price indicator your trip and explore our local VE/AA Visit England / AA area while you're here. Leave no trace: Use grey and black waste facilities and avoid using fires. Book ahead: Be sure to book a pitch before you travel to avoid disappointment. *Travel by train:* Why not pitch up and explore by train? Operated by Northern, the **Cumbria Coast Line offers** easy connections along the coast. There are also some great walks to enjoy from local stations; check out Rail Trails here.



A595 | 21 miles

Haverigg to Seascale - where the lakes meets the sea

1 Haverigg

Your journey begins with this coastal village: the gateway from the south Lake District, and home to the Hodbarrow Nature Reserve, as well as 'Escape to Light': a stone sculpture by Josefina de Vasconcellos.

DID YOU KNOW: At one time, the acclaimed Josefina de Vasconcellos was the world's oldest living sculptor.

2 Silecroft Beach

Just a stone's throw from the A595, Silecroft Beach is overlooked by the brooding Black Combe fell (which boasts some great walks and stunning views). Stop for some handmade ice cream at Silecroft Beach Cafe and admire the view. A Changing Places facility is available for people with additional needs.

Muncaster Castle Ravenglass CA18 1RQ

Located just off the A595, the 800-year old Muncaster Castle boasts extensive gardens; a hawk and owl centre including bird of prey shows; and a Medieval Weapons Hall offering archery, crossbow and axe throwing.

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Ravenglass Ravenglass CA18 1RQ

Halfway along this section of the route stands the Lake District's only coastal village. Visit a <u>Roman Bath House</u>, or take a seven-mile ride on the iconic <u>Ravenglass & Eskdale Railway</u> which travels from coast to countryside, with stunning mountain views along the way.





Drigg Sand Dunes Ravenglass CA18 1RQ

The vast beach at Drigg offers a peaceful stop, with the largest sand dune system in Cumbria and an abundance of wildlife, including the rare natterjack toad.

> READY FOR A BREW?: There's a coffee and craft shop at Drigg station.



Baystone Bank Farm Campsite

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Harbour Lights, Haverigg

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Ravenglass Camping & Caravanning Club (CCC)

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Cumblands Farm Caravan Site

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Seven Acres Park

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Seascale

Accessible via the B5344, just off the A595, Seascale was a busy seaside resort in Victorian times; today, it remains home to a stunning beach and excellent walking routes. The seafront has a jetty, a fort complete with cannon and fully rigged mast, and a human sundial.



FANCY A ROUND OF GOLF?: Head to Seascale Golf Club for 18 holes overlooking the Irish Sea.





A595 | 39 Miles

Seascale to Maryport - the Nordic coast



Head to St Bees for towering red sandstone cliffs, a sandy beach and interesting wildlife. St Bees Head is the only Heritage Coast between Scotland and Wales, with an RSPB nature reserve hosting the North West's largest seabird colony during spring and summer.

Enjoy a stroll along the beach or the wide, beachside promenade.

In the village, discover a rich history dating back 1,000+ years. St Bees Priory Church dates back to 1120. It's open daily and features history displays, including the story of 'St Bees Man'.

8 Whitehaven

Once the third largest port in the UK, Whitehaven had trade links around the world. Discover local maritime history and heritage at <u>The Beacon Museum</u> and <u>The Rum Story</u>.

9 Cockermouth

Head inland to the Georgian town of Cockermouth. Don't miss Wordsworth House - the birthplace of literary legends William and Dorothy Wordsworth.

Cockermouth is also a great place to stock up on supplies, with a range of supermarkets as well as excellent butchers, fishmongers, bakeries and delis for locally made goods.



Harbour Side Caravan

Park, Maryport

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10 Maryport

It's back to the coast to the harbour town of Maryport: home to the <u>Lake District</u>
<u>Coast Aquarium</u>, the <u>Senhouse Roman</u>
<u>Museum</u>, and the <u>Maritime Museum</u>.

Park up and head off along the King
Charles III Coastal Path for a walk or bike ride towards Allonby. Along the way, you'll pass Milefortlet 21: the remains of a Roman fort.

DID YOU KNOW?:

England cricketer Ben Stokes grew up here.



B5300, B5302, A596 | 51 Miles

Maryport to Carlisle - Solway coast to city stay

11 Allonby

North of Maryport stands the characterful village of Allonby: a great base for walkers thanks to its location on the King Charles III English Coast Path.



DID YOU KNOW?: Allonby is located along a former smuggling route! Spirits, tobacco and fine textiles were smuggled into the area from Scotland, Ireland and the Isle of Man, while wool was smuggled out.

12 Silloth on Solway

Visit the Victorian seaside town of Silloth on the Solway Coast: popular for its leisurely atmosphere and spectacular sunsets. Browse its quirky shops and cafes, admire the architecture and take a stroll on the prom. From a fantastic golf course to cycling and bird watching, there's something for everyone.



TOP TIP: Visit the Discovery Centre in the town centre for plenty of information on the local area.

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In Medieval times, this was one of the most important towns in Northern England - its wealth and influence emanating from the Cistercian abbey of Holme Cultram. The Abbey was suppressed during the Dissolution of the Monasteries in 1538; today, it's a parish church welcoming visitors.



Wigton

Head inland to Wigton: this historic market town boasts a fascinating history which can be explored via a Heritage Trail available from the Market Hall. Don't miss the Fountain Gallery which showcases the work of local artists; and keep an eye on the programme at the volunteer run John Peel Theatre. The Taste Cumbria Wigton Food Festival takes place every April.





Take a short but worthwhile detour to this 250 acre nature reserve located on the Solway Plain. It's home to various habitats teeming in wildlife, plus a network of accessible trails and onsite bike hire. Refuel at the Watchtree Cafe or enjoy an ice cream from the Three Hills Gelato Shack.

16 Carlisle

Head onward to Carlisle: with city centre parking, this mobile and camper-friendly city has plenty to offer. Visit Carlisle Castle and Carlisle Cathedral; stroll through Bitts Park; or explore Tullie - a renowned art gallery and museum.

Just outside the city centre lies Talkin Tarn: a stunning glacial tarn nestled in acres of woodland and meadowland. Enjoy great woodland trails, bike hire, boat hire and watersports plus a great tea room with views across the water.



Stanwix Park Holiday Centre

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Moordale Park Caravan Park

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Beckfoot - Bankmill Visitors Centre (CCC)

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Solway Holiday Park

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Wigton - Wheyrigg Hall Hotel (CCC)

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Crofton Hall
Caravan Park (CL)

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Green Acres Caravan Park

The Lowther Arms, Mawbray

★ ⊗ *** £** www

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