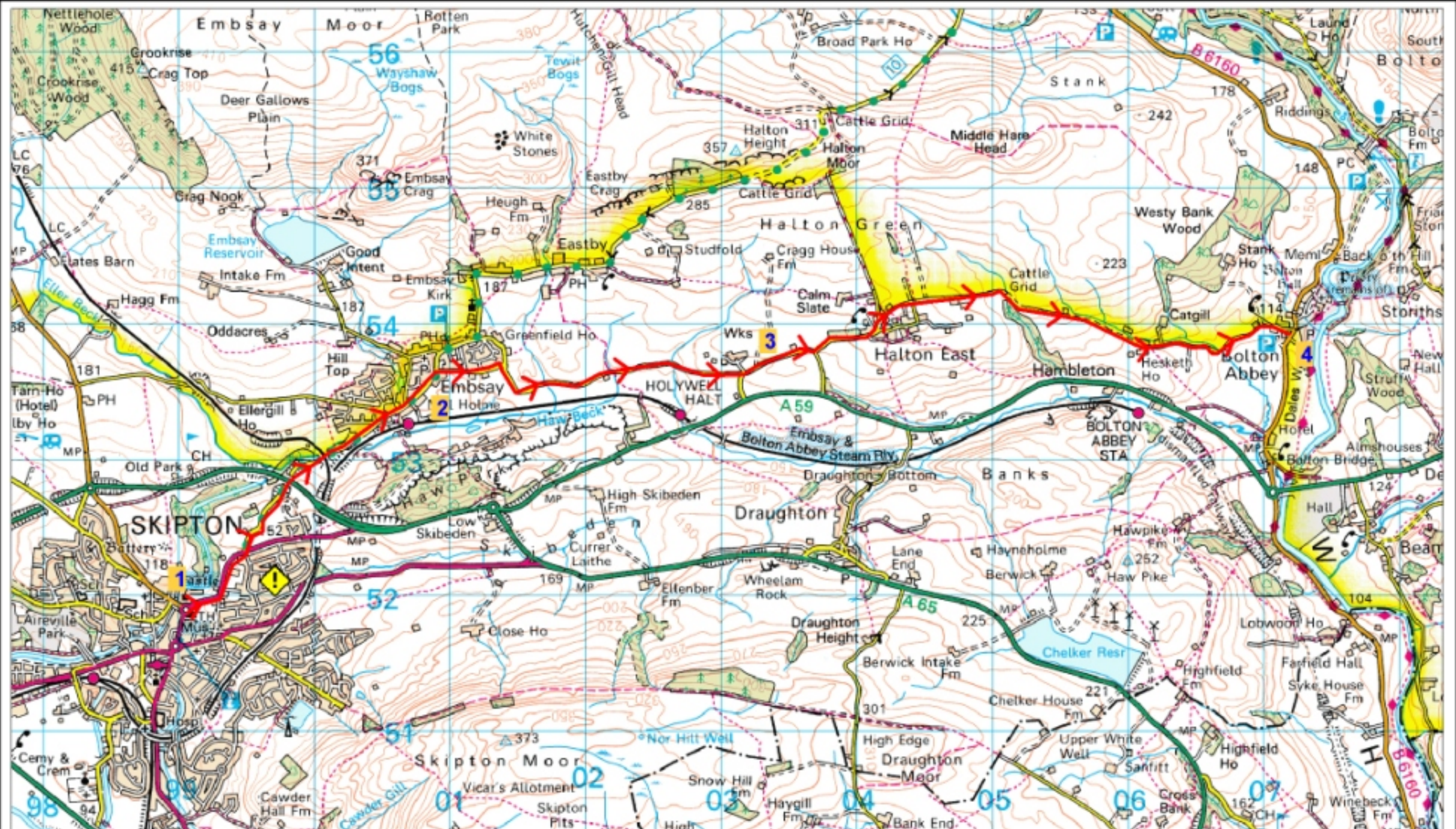


Skipton - Bolton Abbey

Scale 1:38000



Start: Skipton Town Hall or Bolton Abbey
Distance: One way is six miles (10km)



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SKIPTON TO BOLTON ABBEY

Start and finish	Skipton or Bolton Abbey
Distance	6 miles (10km) one way
Refreshments	Skipton or Bolton Abbey
Toilets	Skipton or Bolton Abbey
Nearest train station	Skipton. There is also the steam railway between Embsay and Bolton Abbey which does carry bikes.

This is a great back road route taking you out of Skipton and through great countryside to reach Bolton Abbey. From there you can either return the way you came or follow other routes further up Wharfedale or along to Ilkley.

ROUTE DESCRIPTION

1. At the roundabout at the top of Skipton High Street, take the right turn signed with a Yorkshire Dales Cycleway sign. Go up a short climb passing the headquarters of Skipton Building Society, and then turn left signed to Embsay. Follow this road down into the village, past the steam railway.
2. As you reach the village shop, turn right signed to Bolton Abbey on an old style road sign. At the next T-junction turn right. When you reach a cross roads with a quarry entrance to your left, carry straight on and go up a climb to reach the small hamlet of Halton East.
3. Down and over a cattle grid then back up and through open countryside. Descend to a gate which is often shut. Just beyond this is Hesketh Farm Park. Continue along the road to descend to Bolton Abbey, which you meet at a shop, post office and toilets.
4. If you want to continue to Ilkley turn right at the T-junction. If you want to go to the river and Cavendish Pavillions turn left at the T-junction, go under and arch and then turn right by a fountain.