VISITOR INFORMATION

**Opening Times:** Open every day of the year.

**Free car park:** Space for 20 cars, please park considerately.

**Public toilets:** Public toilets on Railway Street, Pocklington (4 miles).

**Accessibility:** There is a surfaced level path to the central clearing. A steep flight of 170 steps leads to the High View Point. Return on the eastern path to complete a 2km circular walk, descending several smaller flights of steps.

**Refreshments:** Picnic tables in the car park, The Gait Inn and Ramblers’ Rest Tearooms, Main St, Millington (1 mile), many pubs and cafes in Pocklington (4 miles).

**Dogs:** Keep your dog under close control, and do not disturb wildlife or other visitors. Please clean up after your dog.

HOW TO FIND THE RESERVE

**Millington Wood** is located 1 mile north of Millington village and 4 miles north east of Pocklington. By road from Pocklington approach on the minor road towards Millington and then follow the brown road signs to Millington Wood.

**Reserve car park:**
OS Explorer Map 294: Grid ref: SE 838 530.
Postcode: YO42 1TZ

**Nearest railway stations are Driffield (14 miles), Malton (15 miles), Beverley (15 miles) or York (16 miles).**

**Enquiries:**
08457 48 49 50
www.nationalrail.co.uk

There is no bus service to the wood.
The nearest bus service is to Pocklington (4 miles). EYMS bus routes X46/X47 Hull to York (via Beverley).

**BUSCALL enquiries:** (01482) 222222
www.eyms.co.uk

Enjoy a Safe Visit

Camping, fire lighting, mountain biking are not permitted.
Keep to the paths and take care on steep steps.
Observe notices when charcoal kiln is in use.

WHAT TO DO

- Woodland Walk
- Wildlife Watching
- Landscape Views
- Charcoal Kiln Viewing

FIND OUT MORE

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A UNIQUE AND SPECIAL PLACE

Millington Wood is a 52 acre ancient ash wood set within a Yorkshire Wolds valley. Botanically, Millington Wood is a Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) and one of the richest woodlands in the East Riding.

HISTORY

There has always been woodland where Millington Wood stands in the steep sided Lily Dale. The first written evidence dates back to the Doomsday Book in 1086. The wood was owned by several estates and let to tenants to provide fencing materials, furniture and fuel. In the 1960’s, during a short commercial forestry phase, some ash trees were replaced with beech and Norway spruce. In 1986 the wood was bought by the local authority and opened to visitors. Millington Wood was designated a Local Nature Reserve in 1991 in recognition of its wildlife value and importance to the local community.

RESERVE MANAGEMENT

Millington Wood is managed by the countryside access team. Our goal is to balance recreational activities with conserving wildlife. In the heart of the wood, a pocket of ancient ash woodland remains untouched by forestry operations. It is here where woodland flowers that grow in ancient woods thrive, such as wood anemones, dog’s mercury and bluebells. The forestry trees are gradually being removed from other parts of the wood and now many more plants animals are reappearing. The timber is used to produce charcoal in a woodland kiln, and is sold locally.

The woodland ride has been widened to make a long woodland glade, a new habitat for different plants and animals. Ash dieback may affect how the wood is managed in the future.

Bird and bat boxes offer homes for several species, including tits, redstarts and owls, and pipistrelle, noctue and brown long-eared bats.