



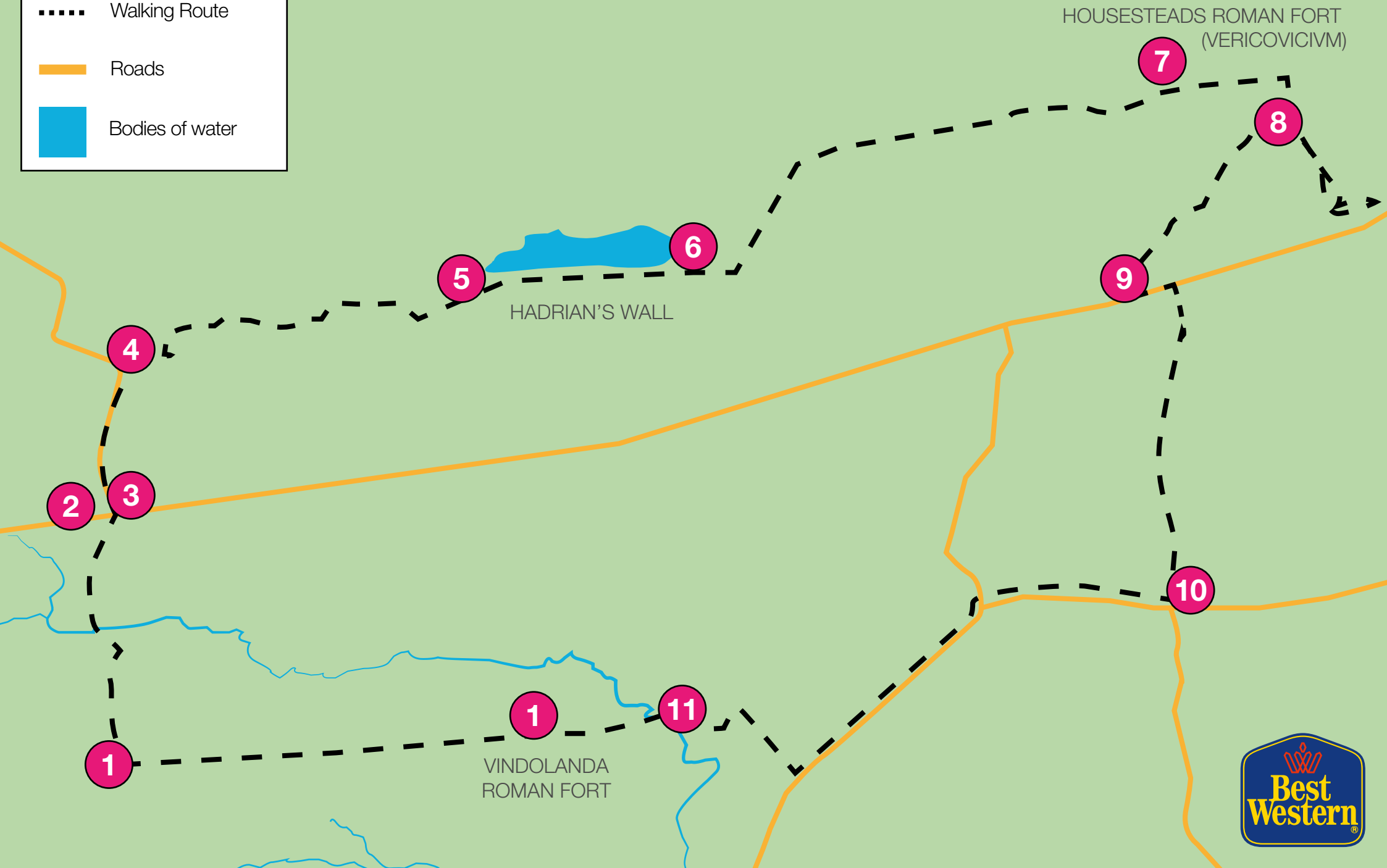


-  Points of interest (see other page)
-  Walking Route
-  Roads
-  Bodies of water





Vindolanda and Hadrian's Wall circular walk – 7.4 miles

Directions

1. From the Vindolanda car park, head west along the Stanegate road for exactly one mile and then, at the T-junction, turn right.
2. Stay on the track as it climbs and dips up towards the 'Military Road' of the B6318. Just before they join, turn left and cut through the Twice Brewed car park and cut through to the Twice Brewed Inn.
3. After a quick drink detour, head back along the road and then turn left opposite the road that leads up from Vindolanda.
4. Follow the footpath that lead up behind an old bothy, now a National Trust cottage for hire and join Hadrian's Wall and the 'Hadrian's Way' long-distance footpath, heading east, as it cuts up sharply onto Peel Crag.
5. Follow the wall and path all the way along as it dips and rises, past 'Sycamore Gap', which proved a seminal location in the Kevin Costner film Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves, before rising above the calm water of Crag Lough.
6. Carry straight on at the junction, rising again onto the high crags.*
7. Keep following the Hadrian's Way path until you reach the Roman fort of Housesteads, which is another fantastic visitor attraction belonging to English Heritage.
8. Either stop for a visit or cut through to join the footpath forking right and down to the B6318 again.
9. When the path meets the road, cross over and turn left, taking the next footpath on your right heading down past the farm of East Crinkledykes on your right.
10. Where the footpath meets the Stanegate road, turn right and head back along the road towards Vindolanda.
11. At Codley Gate Farm, look out for the Roman milestone, Britain's last remaining milestone still sited in its upright position, where it was placed nearly 2,000 years ago. Then stay following the Stanegate road west, skirting the top edge of Vindolanda to reach the car park and the start of the walk.

* For a shorter route (4.8 miles) turn right at the junction (6) and follow the stony track down along a drystone wall to join the B6318. Cross over, turn right and walk along the verge until you reach a footpath sign on your left pointing diagonally through a farm field. Follow it past a farm, over a stile and down through fields to link up again with the Stanegate road opposite Codley Gate Farm, at the site of the old Roman milestone. Then skip straight to 11.