

Pennine Explorer Cruise 2017 DRAFT ITINERARY

Friday, 23 June 2017	Boats gathering on the Lower Peak Forest at Dukinfield. Volunteers on hand during the day (by arrangement) to help boats up the Ashton / Down Marple to reach the rendezvous point. Boats gauged for tunnel between 3pm and 6pm.
Saturday, 24 June 2017	Dukinfield to Stalybridge . 2 miles, 6 locks 2½ hours Afternoon –Stalybridge Festival – deck out your craft and take part in the competition for the best presented boat. Evening – Pie supper at the legendary Stalybridge Station Buffet Bar
Sunday, 25 June 2017	Stalybridge to Roaches Lock (below Roaches Lock 15W) 3½ miles, 8 locks 4 hours Evening Illustrated talk by Huddersfield Canal Society at nearby pub
Monday, 26 June 2017	Roaches Lock 15W to Diggle 4 miles, 18 locks 6 hours Evening at leisure or guided walk for energetic. Drinks at Diggle Hotel.
Tuesday, 27 June 2017	Through Standedge Tunnel to Marsden. 4 miles, 0 locks, 3 hours Evening social (bbq or hog roast?) at Standedge visitor centre from 7.30pm
Wednesday, 28 June 2017	Marsden To Slaithwaite Fire Station 3 miles, 21 locks, 6 hours Folk music/Morris dancing event at Swan Inn, Slaithwaite.
Thursday, 29 June 2017	Slaithwaite To Milnsbridge (Isis Lock Winding Hole) 3 miles, 13 locks 4½ hours Evening visit to the Colne Valley Museum inc light refreshments.
Friday, 30 June 2017	Milnsbridge to University, Huddersfield. 2 miles, 8 locks 3½ hours Evening Gathering with wash-up, presentation of plaques. Followed by Cultural tour round Huddersfield.
Saturday, 1 July 2017	Huddersfield To Mirfield. 6 miles, 11 broad locks 3-4 Hours Evening Social by Calder Navigation Society at South Pennine Boat Club. Food and drink available.

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