



# Autumn on the Humber

Your guide to enjoying East Yorkshire's wildlife and wild places this season



## Flocks, flasks and photos!

Only a day to spend on the mighty Humber? Make the most of it at Spurn Point – Yorkshire's very own Land's End and wildlife haven!

### Where to go...

#### Yorkshire Wildlife Trust Spurn National Nature Reserve

Wild and wonderful, the Spurn peninsula provides a stunning backdrop to watch the thousands of birds that pass through on their epic migratory journeys. **HU12 0UH**



Grey seal



### What to do...

Look out for grey seals!



#### Safari adventure

Hop aboard a Spurn Safari and travel across the 3.5 miles of sand dunes military style! (booking required: [ywt.org.uk](http://ywt.org.uk)). ₤



#### Head for heights

Climb the tallest light house in northern England – all 143 steps! Perfect photo opportunity. ₤



#### Get toasty

After a bracing walk, warm up and fill your boots in the Discovery Centre café! Enjoy tasty local produce.



## Sea air adventure!

Extend your trip and make a weekend of it! Adopt a slower pace in this unique landscape and enjoy these special places.

### What to do...



#### Yorkshire Wildlife Trust Kilnsea Wetlands

Settle into the hide at this nature reserve, just 5 mins drive from Spurn, to watch winters waders coming in to roost. Visit at high tide for prime time action! **HU12 0UB**



#### Windswept walks

After a day on the Spurn Safari, stretch your legs with a long bracing walk. Why not walk the full Spurn peninsula (7 miles) or ramble village-to-village from Kilnsea to Easington (5 mile loop).



#### Head to Hornsea Mere

Head north to Yorkshire's largest freshwater lake – a crucial stop off for migrating birds too! **(1hr 20 mins drive from Spurn, HU11 5RJ)**. Stroll around the lake and settle into a bird hide for sightings galore! Hornsea also has a long golden beach and pretty town centre. ₤



# Migration Marathon and marine marvels!

After an adventure on the very edge of Yorkshire, continue along the coastline for more scenes of swirling flocks and seasonal spectacles...

## A short drive away...



### Humber views

Enjoy woodland walks at Humber Bridge Country Park which nestles in the shadow of the Humber Bridge. Make your way down to the foreshore for views across the mighty Humber. **HU13 0HB**



### Dive in!

Visit The Deep in Hull – one of the UK's most spectacular aquariums with 3500 fish including sharks and rays. Journey from tropical lagoons to the depths of the ocean! **£ HU9 1TU**



### Take shelter

Inspired by Spurn's military heritage? Head underground at RAF Holmpton's underground nuclear bunker (open weekends only). **£ HU19 2RG**

## Day trip adventures...

### Homeward bound along the Humber

#### Yorkshire Wildlife Trust North Cave Wetlands

A short drive from the A63, there is always something to see at this nature reserve (**1hr 15mins from Spurn, HU12 0UH**). This former quarry is shaping up to be a real haven for wildlife.



Common sandpiper

Mark Hamblin/2020Vision



Look out for seasonal rarities such as sandpipers. There's plenty of hides with ID guides!



Fill up the flask and enjoy a picnic with fabulous views across the water and feeding station.



Wrap up warm and enjoy a relaxing stroll on the accessible pathways around the reserve



Blacktoft Sands



Bearded tit

Arny Lewis

#### RSPB Blacktoft Sands

Heading inland, where the Humber Estuary meets the River Ouse, is the UK's largest tidal reed bed. A bird lover's paradise! Reception hide open weekends Oct-Mar. **30 mins drive from North Cave Wetlands; 1hr 35 mins drive from Spurn. £ DN14 8HR**



Watch marsh harriers and merlins gathering to roost or spot migrating waders on the lagoons.



Enjoy all the wildlife action from accessible trails and hides. Settle in for the day and take a flask!



Listen for the 'pinging' calls of bearded tits on calm October mornings – or the thousands of pink-footed geese flying overhead.

For further information and more ideas [ywt.org.uk/wild-guides](http://ywt.org.uk/wild-guides)



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