

- 8 At the T-Junction turn left onto the B6354 (no signpost).
- 9 After a 300m downhill run back towards Ford Bridge, turn left at the Pony Gates.
- 10 Follow the path around the castle, turning right back along the conifer lined Castle Walk into Ford Village.

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This leaflet is intended as a guide only. Please refer to **OS Explorer Map 339 (Kelso, Coldstream & Lower Tweed Valley)** for full map details including local footpaths & bridleways (available from Heatherslaw Gift Shop).

If you discover any of the directions need amending or updating, please inform the **Visitor Centre** at Heatherslaw by email: tourism@ford-and-etal.co.uk

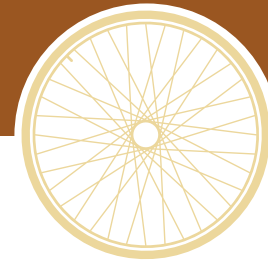
Public toilets are located at:

- **Visitor Centre, Heatherslaw**
- **Etal Castle car park**
- **Ford Village**

Open daily, April – November

Please keep the countryside tidy and take your rubbish home.

The Big Estate Cycle Tour



Cycling Route No. 1 via Letham Hill

Distance: 5 miles (8 km)

Grade: Easy with a 1-mile uphill climb



- 1 From Ford Village cycle on the Castle Walk, entrance beside the memorial statue in the village street, follow the path, turn left at the end this path, then right, cycling with the castle on your right and St Michael & All Angels Church on your left. Follow this path across the bridge.
- 2 At the pony gates cross the road and go over Ford Bridge, signposted Wooler A697. After 600m take the first right turn marked Crookham/Cornhill.
- 3 After 600m take the first right turn (signposted no through road) and follow the road down to Heatherslaw.
- 4 At Heatherslaw turn right over the iron bridge, then turn left on Cycle Route 68, through the gate just beyond the car park.
- 5 At the end of the path take the road opposite, signposted Letham Hill/Slainsfield.
- 6 Continue uphill past Letham Hill farm and on through Slainsfield.
- 7 Road bends right. Stop to take in beautiful views to Cheviots and Tweed Valley. Long descent past Hay Farm.

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Refreshments and things to see along the way

Ford Village

St Michael & All Angels' Church

Lady Waterford Hall

The Old Dairy Antiques (closed Mon/
Tues)

Ford Village Shop, Post Office,
Tearoom & Cycle Hire

Horseshoe Forge Antiques & Rare Books

*NB Ford Castle & grounds is not
open to the public*

Heatherslaw

Heatherslaw Corn Mill – a working
museum & gift shop

Heatherslaw Light Railway

Café • Visitor Centre & Toilets

Craft Shops and Pottery

Letham Hill

FitzClarence Gates

The gates were erected in 1851 by
Lady FitzClarence as a surprise for her
husband returning from India. Sadly he
died in India so never saw them and so,
by tradition, the gates have never
stood open.

Stunning views of the Cheviots

Cheviot Brewery & Cheviot Tap
(seasonal opening, check website)

Hay Farm Heavy Horse Centre
(closed Mon, except bank holidays)

