

Guide to Public Houses selling Real Ale in the Skipton



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REAL ALE

Welcome to Skipton

Skipton self styled 'gateway to the dales' is a small market town with a diverse population and a diverse pub community to match. Market days are Monday, Wednesday, Friday and Saturday. Market days are still very much central to Skipton with some pubs only serving food on market days.

Keighley and Craven Campaign for Real Ale (CAMRA) has compiled this leaflet where we hope to introduce you to all those pubs close to the town centre that sell real ale, be it served through hand pump or electric pump as long as the beer is real and live, it's here. Some of the entries have photos, there is no particular bias towards those with photos, their inclusion is more to do with the layout than any comment on the establishment.

What is CAMRA?

CAMRA campaigns for real ale, real pubs and consumer rights. We are an independent, voluntary organisation with over 100,000 members and have been described as the most successful consumer group in Europe. CAMRA promotes good-quality real ale and pubs, as well as acting as the consumer's champion in relation to the UK and European beer and drinks industry. We aim to:-

- Protect and improve consumer rights.
- Promote quality, choice and value for money.
- Support the public house as a focus of community life.
- Campaign for greater appreciation of traditional beers, ciders and perries as part of our national heritage and culture.
- Seek improvements in all licensed premises and throughout the brewing industry.

Why not join us today if you care about great quality real ale and pubs?

Visit <http://www.camra.org.uk>

What is Real Ale?

Real ale is a top fermented beer that, following fermentation, is put into a cask with yeast and some residual fermentable sugars from the malted barley. The beer undergoes a slow secondary fermentation in the cask to produce a gentle carbonation.



CAMRA LocAle is an initiative that promotes pubs stocking locally brewed real ale. The scheme builds on a growing consumer demand for quality local produce and an increased awareness of 'green' issues. It helps support local breweries and reduces 'beer miles' i.e. The number of miles and the corresponding fuel used before a pint arrives in your glass.

This leaflet is for guidance only Keighley and Craven CAMRA have tried to keep the information as accurate and up to date as possible but cannot guarantee the information.

It would be appreciated if any corrections or updates could be sent by e-mail to the Pubs Officer:-
pubsofficer@keighleyandcravencamra.org.uk

1: 25 BELOW

(part of Boutique Twenty Five)
25 Newmarket St., Skipton, BD23 2JE.
No real ale.

2: ALBION

27 Otley St., Skipton, BD23 1EL.
01756 793761
11-11 Mon-Sat; 12-11 Sun.

Tetley Cask Bitter; Theakston Best Bitter [H]

Stone built Victorian pub just off the High Street and convenient for the central car and coach parks. Big screen TV, quiz every Wednesday. Food served lunch times. Dogs permitted after food served.



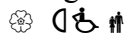
3: BLACK HORSE HOTEL

High St., Skipton, BD23 1JZ.
01756 792145

11-11 Mon-Wed; 11-12 Thu; 11-12.30 Fri; 10-12.30 Sat; 12-10.30 Sun.

Copper Dragon Best Bitter, Golden Pippin; guest beer [H]

Grade 2 listed building with frontage built in 15th century. The front bar in Elizabethan style caters mostly for drinkers and another bar is towards the rear in the large dining area. Further seating can be found on the balcony terrace overlooking the canal. A lively place at weekend. Children permitted in dining area only, until 6pm.



4: BREEZE

11 Swadford St., Skipton, BD23 1RD.
No real ale.

5: CASTLE

2 Mill Bridge, Skipton, BD23 1AW.
01756 791795
12-11 Mon-Thu; 12-12 Fri-Sun.

John Smith's Cask Bitter; Theakston Best Bitter [H]

Late 18th century pub adjacent to the church and medieval castle at the top of the High Street. An outside seating area on the cobbles at the front, is especially popular on warm sunny days. Parking is limited. One of the few remaining pubs with a dart board.



6: COCK & BOTTLE

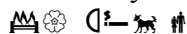
30 Swadford St., Skipton, BD23 1RD.
01756 794734

<http://www.cockandbottle.co.uk>

12-11 Mon-Thu; 12-12.30 Fri-Sat; 12-11 Sun.

Tetley Cask Bitter; 3 guest beers [H]

Refurbished former 18th century coaching inn with a single long, split-level bar, and stone fireplaces. Taller customers should beware of the low beam above the step half-way along the bar! The three guest beers are from the Enterprise-SIBA list, sourced from a wide variety of breweries around the country. Well-behaved dogs welcome.



7: CRAVEN HOTEL

Craven St., Skipton, BD23 2AP.
01756 792595

12-11 Sun-Thur; 12-12 Fri-Sat.

Thwaites Original Bitter [H]

Large imposing square Victorian former railway hotel built to serve the original railway station. Popular with younger drinkers especially at

weekends. Large main room and smaller enclosed room with a pool table to one side. Only regular Thwaites outlet in Skipton.



8: CROSS KEYS HOTEL

Otley Rd., Skipton, BD23 2JR.
01756 792913

12-11 Sun-Thu; 12-1am Fri-Sat.

Tetley Cask Bitter [H]

Large open plan pub with separate dining/ function room a little way out from town centre. Big screen TV and pool room. Regular quiz night Thursday. Live bands most Saturdays playing rock and R&B.



9: DEVONSHIRE

22 Newmarket St., Skipton, BD23 2HR.
01756 692590

<http://www.jdwetherspoon.co.uk>

9-12 Sun-Thu; 9-1 Fri-Sat.

Greene King Ruddles Best Bitter, Abbot Ale; 5 guest beers [H]

Just off the town centre a sympathetic refurbishment of an old pub by Wetherspoons. The multi room layout gives a choice of atmosphere from open drinking area to cosy and traditional. Busy Friday and Saturday nights.



10: FLEECE INN

Keighley Rd., Skipton, BD23 2NS.
01756 792898

11-11 Mon-Thu; 11-12 Fri-Sat; 12-11 Sun.

Tetley Cask Bitter [H]



Saloon bar style with one long, narrow room with pool table at one end and Yorkshire sayings around the walls. A popular town centre boozier handy for bus station nearby. Suntrap beer garden to rear. Food served market day lunch times.



11: HERRIOTS HOTEL

Broughton Rd., Skipton, BD23 1RT.

01756 792781

<http://www.herriotsforleisure.com>

11-11 Mon-Sun.

Copper Dragon from range; Theakston Best Bitter; occasional guest [H]

Imposing Victorian former railway hotel is situated opposite Skipton station. Extension to the rear encloses a sheltered courtyard drinking area.

Licensed to perform civil ceremonies and also has conference facilities.



12: NARROW BOAT

Alleyway off Coach St. near canal bridge

38 Victoria St., Skipton, BD23 1JE.

01756 797922

<http://www.markettowntaverns.co.uk>

12-11 Mon-Sun.

Black Sheep Best Bitter; Copper Dragon Best Bitter, Golden Pippin; Timothy Taylor Landlord; 4 guest beers [H]

No piped music, jukebox or gaming machines disturb the conversation. Guest ales, always including a dark beer, are mainly from Northern independents and there is a good selection of continental bottled and draught beers. Folk club on Monday evenings and quiz night Wednesday. Well



behaved dogs welcome. Children under 14 only admitted when dining.



13: PLACE

1 Devonshire Place, Skipton, BD23 2LR.

No real ale.

14: RAILWAY INN

13-15 Carleton St., Skipton, BD23 2AJ.

01756 793186

12-12 Mon-Sun.

Tetley Mild, Cask Bitter [H]

Traditional, two-roomed, street-corner local, decorated on a railway theme. The tap room is popular with racing enthusiasts in the afternoons and domino players in the evenings. The only regular outlet in the town for Tetley mild.



15: RED LION HOTEL

High St., Skipton, BD23 1DT.

01756 790718

11-11 Sun-Thu; 11-12 Fri-Sat.

Greene King IPA, Abbot Ale, Old Speckled Hen; up to 5 guest beers [H]

Built in 1205 it's probably Skipton's oldest pub. Serving up to 8 real ales from the Greene King range and others from around the country. Lively from Thursday to Saturday and when major sporting events show. Smoking area behind the pub also has a TV so as not to miss the action. Small quieter room set back from the hubbub of the main bar.



16: ROSE & CROWN

10 Coach St., Skipton, BD23 1LH.

01756 793884

12-11 Mon-Thu; 12-12 Fri-Sat; 12-10.30 Sun.

Copper Dragon Golden Pippin; Tetley Cask Bitter [H]

Backstreet pub by the canal away from the bustle of the high street. Regular karaoke and discos. Food served market days.



17: ROYAL OAK

Water St., Skipton, BD23 1PB.

01756 792105

12-11 Mon-Thu; 12-11.30 Fri-Sat; 12-10.30 Sun.

Copper Dragon Golden Pippin; Tetley Cask Bitter; guest beer [H]

Positioned on the edge of the town centre it tends to avoid the circuit drinkers. A quiet haven away from the crowd. Popular with sports fans.



18: ROYAL SHEPHERD INN

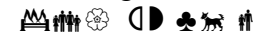
Canal St., Skipton, BD23 1LB.

01756 793178

11-11.30 Sun-Thu; 11-1am Fri-Sat;.

Copper Dragon Best Bitter, Golden Pippin, Scotts 1816; Timothy Taylor Landlord [H]

Canal side town centre local with a traditional layout. Main bar has interesting stained glass window on canal theme and many prints of old Skipton. Small room to side with cricketing theme. Poker night Wednesday.



19: WOOLLY SHEEP INN

38 Sheep St., Skipton, BD23 1HY.

01756 700966

<http://www.woollysheepinn.co.uk>

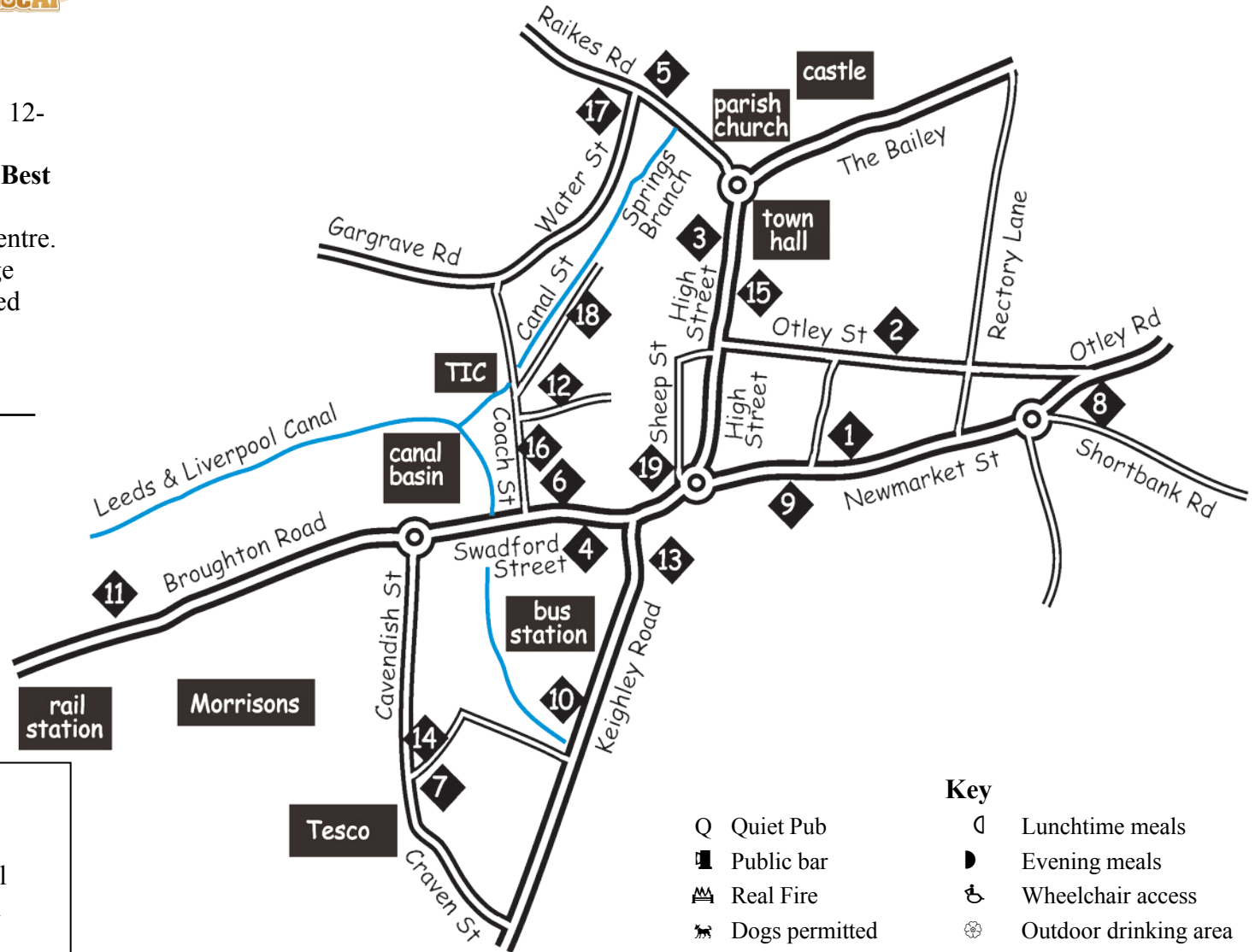
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Timothy Taylor Dark Mild, Golden Best, Best Bitter, Landlord, Ram Tam [H]

Deceptively large 18th century pub in town centre. One front room, an area around bar and a large back room on two levels leading to old cobbled beer garden. Only Taylor's pub in town.



Skipton Town Centre Map



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Key

- Q Quiet Pub
- Public bar
- Real Fire
- Dogs permitted
- Accommodation
- Draught real cider
- Children welcome
- Families welcome
- ☪ Lunchtime meals
- Evening meals
- ♿ Wheelchair access
- ☼ Outdoor drinking area
- P Pub has car park
- ☪ Smoking area
- ♣ Traditional pub games
- ⚓ Camping locally