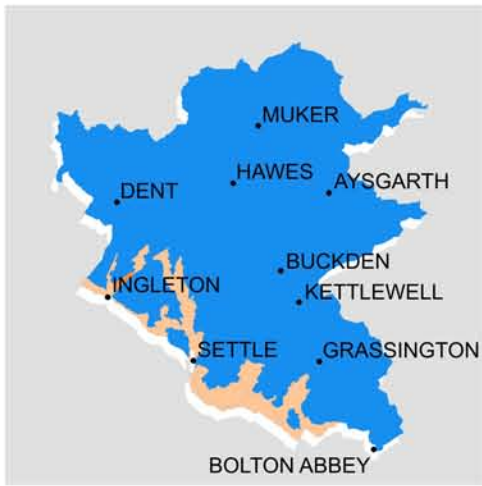


YORKSHIRE DALES NATIONAL PARK



KEY CHARACTERISTICS

- Open straight and relatively featureless u-shaped valley underlain by Ingletonian rocks, deeply incised between the looming summits of Ingleborough and Whernside which lend grandeur to the dale.
- Prominent outcropping stepped limestone scars and screes line the valley sides.
- Lower dale falls away into Ingleton Glens allowing distant views to lowlands beyond.
- Meandering river rarely visible and often below ground is marked by occasional spotty tree cover.
- The straight lines of valley are emphasised by the pattern of regular straight limestone walls enclosing improved pasture and by the parallel straight roads on each side of the valley.
- Tree cover sparse with occasional trees on field boundaries, on the river's edge or by farmsteads.
- Sparsely settled by a few houses and scattered farms.
- Detractors, including the prominent disused quarry, B road traffic and the buildings at White Scar Caves have a significant influence due to the open nature of the landscape.

