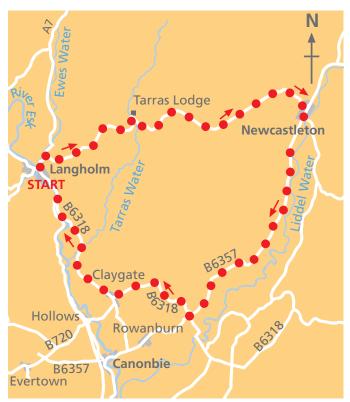
## NEWCASTLETON AND HARELAW

- **START** Langholm Town Hall
- 42km/25 miles
- Allow 3-4 hours
- A varied route with vigorous climbs
  - This ride starts with a vigorous climb up the side of Whita Hill and continues across high moorland, before crossing the county line and dropping down to Newcastleton. From there it runs down the Liddel Valley until it cuts across country to work back to Langholm, up the Esk Valley.

Miles	Route
0	Leave Langholm Town Hall going north on the A7, signposted Hawick and Galashiels.Take care on this busy road.
0.7	Turn right up the hill opposite Whitshiels Cafe signposted Newcastleton.
10.5	Newcastleton.Turn right at the main street by the Bank of Scotland, onto the B6357.
18	Turn right at the offset crossroads after Harelaw village, signposted Langholm, on the B6318.
20.8	Turn right at T-junction at Claygate, signposted Langholm, staying on the B6318.
24.4	Go straight on to join the main A7 at the Skipper's Bridge traffic lights. Take care on this section.
25.2	Arrive back at the Town Hall.

- **Newcastleton** A busy village with hotels and shops and a heritage centre.
- **McDiarmid Memorial** This striking sculpture by Jake Harvey, at the top of the road up Whita Hill, celebrates Hugh McDiarmid, the Langholm born poet.
- Malcolm Monument The prominent monument on the top of Whita Hill is to Sir John Malcolm, one of the four knights of Eskdale.



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ON SHARED USE PATHS • Please be courteous and be prepared to slow down or stop if necessary • Give way to pedestrians, horse-riders and wheelchair users, leaving them plenty of room • Carry a bell and use it - not all pedestrians can see you • Always follow the Highway Code • Be seen - most accidents to cyclists happen at junctions • Fit lights, wear a helmet and light and reflective clothing • Respect land management activities such as farming and forestry and take litter home • Be self-sufficient - in remote areas carry food, repair kit, map and waterproofs.

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