


## Bishop Auckland Real Ale Pubs & Trail



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## 1 Merry Monk

Market Place, DL14 7NP

(01388) 235182

12-Midnight Sun; 4.30-Midnight Mon-Fri;

12-Midnight Sat

Food times: 12-4 Sun; Closed Mon-Wed;  
12-4 Thu-Sat

Real ale introduced December 2016. Tucked away behind the town hall, this old pub has a modern open plan interior, but with three distinct areas. The Keep, to the right of the bar, is the full height of the building, and has an ornate ceiling. Buskers night, Celtic music night, and other live music including impromptu Sunday afternoon singalongs.



## 2 Stanley Jefferson

5 Market Place, DL14 7NJ

(01388) 452830

8-Midnight Sun-Thu; 8-1am Fri & Sat;

Food times: 8am-11 Sun-Sat

All the usual Wetherspoon facilities in this interesting conversion of a former solicitors' offices. Several separate but linked drinking areas with glass-roofed bar area provide the opportunity for privacy or company. Close to the Bishop of Durham's former palace and park, and takes its name from locally-schooled Mr Jefferson - better known as Stan Laurel. Large walled garden to rear, and small pavement patio to the front. Quiz night Wednesday.



## 3 Bay Horse

38-40 Fore Bondgate, DL14 7PE

(01388) 609765

12-11 Sun; 11-11 Mon-Thu;

11-1am Fri & Sat

There's been a pub on this site since 1530, and this lively, open-plan L-shaped bar is a quiet relief from shopping during the week. With live music on Friday and karaoke on Saturday it becomes joyfully boisterous at the weekend. Popular for televised sport, and with a Sunday quiz. It retains its roots as a long established, proper pub, with various pub games teams, and an eclectic choice of ales, Very close to bus station.



## 4 Welcome

Low Waldron Street, DL14 7DS

(01388) 662492

12-11 Sun; 4-11 Mon-Fri; 12-11 Sat

Very much a cosy, local pub, but only a minute's walk from the bus station and main street. There's a single L-shaped room with dartboard to the rear and live singer on Fridays. A great place for a chat that welcomes everybody, and has a great community feel.



## 5 Pollards

104 Etherley Lane, DL14 6TU

(01388) 603539

12-3, 6-11 Sun; 12-2, 5.30-11 Mon-Sat

This comfortable and busy pub is a great combination of traditional pub and pleasant eating-house, ten minutes stroll from the town centre. Two of the four original areas, including the traditional bar, boast open fires or log burners while there is a spacious restaurant to the rear, where the famous Sunday carvery can be enjoyed. There is an occasional quiz, while good conversation and five well-kept ales top things off.



## 6 Caps Off

Bob Hardisty Place, DL14 7TL

(07900) 551754

11-9 Sun; Closed Mon & Tue;

1-9 Wed & Thu; 11-11 Fri & Sat

Right next to railway station, this new beer, cider, and spirits shop features a huge range of bottles and cans, plus local real ale, real cider, and up to five craft kegs. Basic furnishings allow plenty of room for movement and a chance to see what's on offer and sample on the premises. Regular food collaborations with local outside caterers.



## 7 Station Hotel

201 Newgate Street, DL14 7EJ

(01388) 605780

12-10 Sun; 11-11 Mon-Thu;

11-12.30am Fri & Sat

Busy pub at the top of the town, fairly quiet during the week unless there is a big game on TV, and busy right through the weekend. Popular for TV sports. Occasional live music.



## 8 King's Head

Newgate Street, DL14 7EJ

(01388) 602361

12-11 Sun; 11-11 Mon-Thu;

11-2am Fri & Sat

Unspoilt two-roomed local near the railway station. Traditional bar with TV sport and pool table, and quieter lounge, with impressive mural of Newgate Street, served by central bar. Two pumps dispense an ever changing pair of beers. Occasional music quiz, and music events.



## 9 Green Tree

Cockton Hill Road, DL14 6EN

(01388) 663249

12-Midnight Sun; 4-Midnight Mon-Wed;

4-1am Thu; 12-1am Fri & Sat

This large pub at the south end of the shopping street has a bar with pool table area, a spacious lounge, and a big garden patio with covered smoking area to the rear. Popular for TV sport, and Tuesday quiz, there is occasional live music. Interesting football and music memorabilia adorn the walls alongside paintings of the town by local artist Gaz Miller.



## 10 Grand Hotel

Holdforth Crest, DL14 6DU

(07463) 161961

12-4 Sun; 5-11 Mon-Fri; 12-11.30 Sat

Food times: 12-3.30 Sun; Closed Mon-Sat

Refurbished in 2015 after being closed for over a year. One room is reserved for dining. The bar area has a large open fire and wooden floor. Two real ales reintroduced January 2016. There are also usually 3 ciders available as well. Live music every Saturday.



## 11 Red Alligator

Auckland Road, South Church, DL14 6SP

(01388) 605644

11.30-4 Sun; 5.30-10.30 Mon; 12-2.30,

5.30-10.30 Tue -Fri; 12-2.30, 5.30-11.30 Sat

Food times: 11.30-4 Sun; 5.30-8 Mon;

12-2, 5.30-9 Tue-Sat

A mile from the centre of Bishop Auckland, and in the shadow of the ancient St Andrew's church, this smart local has a bright feel and a good reputation for food. There is a spacious L-shaped bar across the front and a small dining room/ snug to the rear. The eponymous Grand National winner was trained just across the road. Closed on some Mondays.

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