

Pubs / Restaurants in Belper.

A good web site is at <http://www.thefoodplace.co.uk/uk/Derbyshire/Belper/>

Talbot Hotel - Tel: 01773 822 258

Convenient at the bottom of the road. Good Pedigree. Invariably a lock in well past midnight. Surprisingly excellent restaurant at the rear - often need to book up in advance to get a table on a Saturday evening. Can be a bit expensive if you get carried away on the wine list. Try the champagne sangria in the bar. Suzy is very friendly as is the main boss guy - called "JB". Will let Ben (aged 8 years) play cards (accompanied) in the bar until 9:00 pm.

Bengal Blues, 4 Market Place, Tel 01773 880444

Reported by Sarah + Martin Cresswell to have good Prawn Puri and good Stuffed Pepper starters but the main course Baltis are somewhat less enthusiastically recommended.

The Big Buddha - Thai Restaurant. 01773 882493

Down in the East Mill this is a most unexpected part of Thailand ! Food is pretty good - perhaps not quite up to London's Soho standard.

The Hill Top Inn

Virtually at the top of the hill (turn right out of Derwent View). In the winter this pub has the air of an estate pub desperately trying to survive - although bar staff have been friendly. Yet to see what this is like in summer when the views from the beer garden may make it a useful stopping off point.

Bulls Head tel: 01773 823182

At the top of Belper Lane (so arguably not in Belper) – but an easy walk along the fields. Good Bass. Has a post restaurant at the back (not yet reviewed) - seems to have very erratic opening hours.

George & Dragon

On the A6 towards the town center - first pub on the right hand side (15 mins walk). Stone floors, pool table. Good value Sunday lunch (before 1:45) eg Roast + Everything and 1 pint of coke = £6-50.

Duke of Devonshire

On the A6 just past George & Dragon – Friendly town pub with simple low cost food (eg cottage pie = £3-00) served until 7:00pm. Review from Jo Conquest: The Duke of Devonshire is a great pub with excellent beer - particularly at the moment [August 04] Batemans xxxv smells like toffee and vanilla and knocks your socks off and tastes like nectar.

Mings Court – 01773 821 968

Chinese pub on corner of Kilburn Road – surprisingly good Chinese food – top class spare ribs. OK pint of Bass too.

The Railway (High Street)

Recommended by Simon Featherstone (normally a reliable judge) for breakfast and a pint of pedigree from 10:30 am onwards.....

The Queens Head

At the top of the hill close to the church. Easiest route is to walk up the small road next to the chinese restaurant, more or less opposite you as you come to the A6 traffic lights just past the East Mill. Keep walking straight up hill (20mins)..... This is a good traditional drinkers pub - well worth the effort to get there.

Kings Head

Not too far up the hill towards the A38/M1 on the right - a good traditional mans (sporty) drinking pub (although certainly not out of bounds for the ladies) - good pedigree.

The Fishermans Rest, Broadholme Lane 01773 825518

On the A6 (actually just off the A6) north of Belper. (Immediately north of the cemetery). Takes half an hour to walk there from Derwent View. Good pedigree - reasonable pub food with real chips. Stuffed fish and old floats etc in the bar. Good beer terrace for summer evenings.

Pubs / Restaurants around Belper.

The Bear Inn and Hotel - Alderwasley - Map Ref: Not yet known (off all the maps at the cottage !)

Good pedigree + other beers. Slightly pricey but excellent pub food (fine steak). No children in the bar area - but a good beer garden overlooking the fields. An easy drive from the cottage (turn up the hill to the Bulls Head - turn right and follow the road for about four miles).

Bridge Inn - Duffield - Map Ref: 351 429

Good pedigree - adequate food - no atmosphere. Not worth a special visit but adequate if it fits in on a walking route. Can be used as a food stop prior to hitting the Holly Bush

Hanging Gate – Ashbourne Road - Map Ref: 323 474

Reasonable food pub.

The Tiger – Turnditch - Map Ref: 294 464

Average (or poor) food – but served all day – therefore can get some food on a liquid lined stomach on way back from a walk to the Barley Mow at Kirk Ireton.....

The Barley Mow – Kirk Ireton – Map Ref 270 501 (just off map at cottage)

Takes 2.5 hours to walk from Derwent View to this excellent pub – good beer – good fire in winter – cider from the barrel – virtually no food. How pubs used to be (and still should be) Watch out for 2:00 pm closing at lunch times).

The Holly Bush - Makeney - Map Ref: 352 446

Excellent village pub of the old school. Wide range of beers. Very little food (cobs in cling film and excellent pork pies). Well worth a visit to be reminded what English pubs used to be like.

The Dead Poet's- Holbrook - Map Ref 364 455

Strongly recommended by David Jerrom (Builder) as being similar to the Holly Bush. Stone floors, good pint of Burton Porter - Dec 04. Good pace means you could get here in a little over an hour. It's then around 30 mins walk on to The Holly Bush - and the way is open for a day with too much beer consumption!

The Cock Inn - Muggington - Map Ref 439 287 - Tel 01773 550 293

Excellent restaurant / bar snacks / beer. Be sure to read the note in the main bar about the war memorial (see walk originally devised by Steve Atkinson). Friendly - worth a visit. Monday night is special bar snacks night (curry?) and Thursday night is steak night.

The Puss In Boots - Map Ref 319 445

Have had a somewhat unfriendly welcome in the bar - although the beer was fine. Very unusual stock for the vending machines in the Gents (sadly unavailable in the Ladies - but ask and I'm sure a gentleman would oblige).

The Bluebell Inn – 01773 826 495 Map Ref 335 468

Perhaps the most expensive restaurant in the area. (Roger & Tina have yet to try to fund a visit). Not an especially nice place to have just a beer. Does have the elusive and highly prized Cloudy Bay (one of Jo Conquest's favorite wines) on the wine list.

Red Lion - Birchover - Map Ref Not yet known !!!!!!!!

Jo Conquest review: "has excellent beer and has a ramblers bar with a great (glassed over) well - well we were all a bit glassed over after an excellent pint of local Derby brew called Testmatch AND LETS IN DOGS"

Horseshoe Inn - Longnor - Map Ref 089 650

Jo Conquest review: "near to Crome Hill which has recently received open access. Great pub, great pint of pedigree AND LETS IN DOGS"

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Following two pubs come complete with recommendations/reviews courtesy of Jo Conquest / Rod Coleman (Dec 2006).

Old Yew Tree Inn
South Wingfield

DE55 7NH
01733 833763

Superb village pub with first rate-food, ale in perfect condition, open fire, warmth and comfort. At £6.95 per head, their "Early Doors" Menu, served from 5:00 to 6:30 is especially good value, offering large-portioned starter and main course at this fixed price.

King William IV
The Bridge
Milford
DE56 0RR
01332 840842

Beautiful stone-built Inn, friendly and finely appointed. Located directly by the Derwent Bridge. At about 2.2 miles from Derwent View, it's walkable if you have a session in mind, and worth the trouble. Room available if you are unable to make the return journey! Bass, Landlord and London Pride during our visit plus real cider directly dispensed and very tasty. Menu available, but not prominent.

Pubs / Restaurants taken from Belper www site (type Belper and "Big Budha" into Google) - Reviews are Welcome !

Bengal Blues, Belper. 01773 880444
4 Market Place.

Continental Food Bar, Belper. 01773 820871
23 Market Place.

Derwent House Restaurant, Belper. 01332 843773
Derwent House, The Bridge.

El Greco Restaurant, Belper. 01773 826900
84 Bridge St.

Fresh Bite Takeaway, Belper. 01773 880010
7 Market Place.

Full House, Belper. 01773 825550
Alton Manor, Gregorys Way.

Golden Gate Takeaway, Belper. 01773 820138
106 Kilbourne Rd.

Maharaja Tandoori Restaurant, Belper. 01773 827817
17 Market Place.

New Moon Chinese Take Away, Belper. 01773 826628
99 Chestnut Avenue.

Oriental Villa, Belper. 01773 823340
6 Market Place.

Taj of Belper, Belper. 01773 880534
60 Bridge St.

The Black Swan, Belper. 01773 550249
Wirksworth Rd.

The Green Room, Belper. 01773 828800
61 King St.

The Hurt Arms, Belper. 01773 852006
Derby Rd.

The Lion Hotel & Restaurant, Belper. 01773 824033
Bridge St.

The Mill House, Belper. 01332 843144
Derby Rd.

The River Garden, Belper. 01773 822468
Regent House, The Triangle.

The Royal Gardens, Belper. 01332 842078
27 New Zealand Lane.

Tony's Delight Hot Food Take Away, Belper. 01773 822291
143a Nottingham Rd.

Town Street Fish Bar, Belper. 01332 842089
26 Town St.

White Hart Inn (Heage), Belper. 01773 852302
Church St.

Windmill Restaurant, Belper. 01773 853753
Windmill Inn, Park Rd.